

MANOR PARK NEWSLETTER



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Monday 9th of December 2024

Dear families

I hope you are all enjoying the festive period and thank you all so much for your support with the school disco and non-school uniform day. The Manor Park Buds (PTA) are providing essential support to the school and help raise extra funds which are always needed. If you would like to join the Manor Park Buds or can support them in any way please speak to the office.

Thank you all for completing the parent survey which was very positive. Communication has been highlighted as an issue at times as well as the different school apps. Just to clarify, currently, we are using Parent Hub for messages and emails to parents and School Buddy for bookings and payments, plus an extra Google form for parents evening. If you have not received logins or have lost those logins for **School Buddy or Parent Hub** please speak to the office.

I fully understand, that having different apps can make life complicated. Hence, in the summer term (current provisional booking 8. May) we are moving towards a new Data system called ARBOR. Once this is all up and running everything will run from one App. You will be able to see your child's attendance, receive messages, book parent's evening and make payments from one app, similar to secondary schools. All Wessex schools will move to this system so this will also aid consistency when children move to middle school.

Christmas is always a busy time around schools and the children will of course be very excited. Please be rest assured that all children will be forewarned if their timetable changes as much as we possible can. Unexpected events do sometimes happen. Children thrive when routines are in place and we will continue with our routines as much as possible while spreading a sprinkle of Christmas cheer!

Lastly, on the 16th of December, **Year 3 and 4** will have their Christmas Service at the Church. **All parents are warmly welcome to join us.**

We wish you all a happy and peaceful week.

Manor Park First School.



9th December: Year 1 and 2 Church Visit 10 AM

10th December: Year 4 Journey to the Stable

10th December: Violin Concert in the hall 9AM - parents of violinist are invited. Year 3 watching.

16th December: Year 3 and 4 Christmas Service at the Church. Parents are warmly invited to join. 10 AM

16th December -KS1 Play Performance 2 PM

17th December- KS1 Play Performance 9.30 AM

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18th December -CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

19th December- KS1 Play Performance 9.30 AM

19th December- Preschool Christmas Craft afternoon 2 PM

19th December- School Day finishes 3.15 PM

20th December - Inset Day



Manor Park's Ladder

Thank you all for your support with the Ladder idea. Mrs. Hill is in the last stages of preparations and we aim to open at the beginning of next year. We have received some very generous donations from our school community and Waitrose. If you can offer any support please speak to Mrs. Hill. Look out for further information.

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Spring after school club bookings will open on Wednesday. We will let you know via parent hub when the booking system opens.

Year 3 and 4 parents are warmly invited to join the church service on the 16th of December 2024 at 10 AM



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What parents need to know about AGE RATINGS



If you have children, it is understandable to have concerns about the films and TV shows they watch, as well as the games they play. In this guide, we take a look at the two official ways you can assess if a particular title is suitable for your child. Both the BBFC and PEGI have search facilities on their websites that can be used to look up individual titles so you can check their ratings.



RATINGS FOR FILMS, TV & MUSIC VIDEOS

Since 1912, the BBFC (British Board of Film Classification) has informed UK residents of the age suitability of films, TV and music videos - providing parents with the information needed to assess whether or not it is appropriate for their child's age. This applies to cinema releases, DVDs and streaming video services such as Netflix.

WHAT ARE THE BBFC RATINGS?

BBFC ratings are broken down into seven age categories:

Universal, suitable for all ages	Parental Guidance required	Suitable for people aged 12 and over	Suitable for people aged 12 and over; anyone younger must be accompanied by an adult
Suitable for people aged 15 and over	Suitable for people aged 18 and over	Adult content only available in specially licenced cinemas and specialist retailers	

WHAT ELSE CAN BBFC REVEAL?

Accompanied with the age suitability rating, BBFC also provide an additional warning regarding the content and what to expect, such as swearing, sexual content, violence and anything you may consider to be inappropriate for your child. In addition to this, the content is also rated in three levels: frequent, mild or strong.

LIMITATIONS OF BBFC RATINGS

It's important to note that there is no obligation on streaming video services to use or display BBFC ratings. Due to this, we advise that you check the rating online before your child streams the content. It may also be a good idea to watch the content first yourself or discuss it with other parents to help you decide whether or not it is suitable for your child.

Source: www.bbc.co.uk

RATINGS FOR GAMES

PEGI (Pan European Game Information) is a content rating system that ensures all video games are labelled with a minimum age recommendation. These age recommendations are based on the types of content featured within a game. With each game, PEGI also provide a content descriptor that indicates the potential issues and concerns, including sex, violence, bad language and drugs.

WHAT ARE THE PEGI RATINGS?

BBFC ratings can be broken down into six age categories; PEGI ratings are split into age restriction and content descriptors. Additional 'content descriptors' help parents and children to understand the type of content featured within a particular game, including sex, fear, bad language, discrimination, gambling, drugs, violence, and in-game purchases. In combination, the two different ratings can provide a good level of information to help make informed decisions regarding the suitability for your child.

PEGI age ratings are broken down into five categories:

www.pegi.info	www.pegi.info	www.pegi.info	www.pegi.info	www.pegi.info

PEGI content descriptors are broken down into eight categories:



LIMITATIONS OF PEGI RATINGS

It's possible for young people to buy games online without a required proof of age, opening them up to age-inappropriate content without you knowing. We advise that you regularly monitor your child's gaming activities and maintain a honest and healthy dialogue with them about the online world.

PARENTAL CONTROLS

It is a good idea to put in place parental controls for all online accounts which your child may use to purchase or download online games e.g. The App Store, Google Play Store, PlayStation Store and Microsoft Xbox Store etc.

Source: www.pegi.info



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Wraparound Care for Manor Park CE First School

PARENTS EVENING !

Mon 16th December 6 - 6.30pm school hall.

Please come along and meet some of the team and let us talk to you and answer any questions you have about the provision.



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