

### Manor Pre-Primary School 2017: TERM 1

## PARENTS - STICK THIS UP FOR REFERENCE!



Date	Theme	You need to help your child at home with these ideas:
11 - 13 January	My School	Talk to your child about their daily routine at school, about the different activities they will do, i.e. painting, singing songs. Ask questions like "What is the name of your teacher and your school?"
16 - 20 January	My Body (I am fearfully and wonderfully made)	(Includes: My body, personal safety) Sing songs: "Head, shoulders, knees and toes". Also talk about personal safety – what are the child's private parts, never talk to strangers
23 - 27 January	The 5 Senses	Talk about the senses, we see with our eyes, hear with our ears. Let your child taste different flavours like sweet, sour and bitter. Touch different textures eg: rough bricks, smooth concrete, soft material.
30 Jan - 3 February	My Family	Read children's books about families to your child. Learn "I love you, you love me, we're a happy family". Talk about family members, i.e. brothers, sisters, fathers and mothers.
6 - 10 February	My House	Talk about the different rooms that are in a house, i.e. bedroom, kitchen. Tell them all houses are different - some are big and some are small, but Home is where the Heart is. Teach your physical address and phone number to your child.
13 - 17 February	My Pets	Talk about which animals are pets. What do they eat? How do you care for them? Buy a can or two of dog/cat food and send it to your school who will donate it to the S.P.C.A/ Animal Shelter.
20 - 24 February	Colours	Colour Week! Please dress your child in these colours this week: <u>Monday:</u> Red , <u>Tuesday</u> : Blue, <u>Wednesday</u> : Yellow, <u>Thursday:</u> Green , <u>Friday</u> : Orange or Purple
27 Feb - 3 March	Summer	Talk about the weather in summer – is it hot or cold? Make a nice summer fruit salad and enjoy it with your child.
6 - 10 March	My Town	Talk to your child about your town - what is its name, why is it called that. Talk about the different buildings in your town. Visit the town library together.
13 - 17 March	Pond Life (Water Conservation & Water Cycle)	Talk to your child about the different ways in which you can save water. Don't leave the tap running when you are brushing your teeth or washing hands. Use a bucket of water to wash your car, not a hosepipe. Talk about where rain comes from and goes to.
22 - 31 March	Easter	Talk about the real reason for Easter – Jesus died and was resurrected to reconcile us to God. Visit a church with your family for Easter.

#### Dates to Remember

11 January – Schools Open 31 March – Schools Close

17 April – Family Day

20 March– School Holiday 14 April – Good Friday 18 April – Schools Open 21 March – Human Rights Day 16 April – Easter Sunday

# FRIDAY FUN DAYS

#### linked to our themes

Tuesday 31 January: Parent Information Day. Compulsory for all parents. Come and learn how to teach your child to take personal responsibility and grow independence. **Meeting at school at 18h00.** 

Friday 3 February: Family Day. All grannies, grandpas or other family members are welcome to come and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee. Meeting at school at 10h30.

Tuesday 14 February: Valentine's Day.
Wear Red and White. Remember John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son."

Friday 17 February: Pet Food Collection Day.
Please send a can or bag of dog/cat food to school. We will donate it to an Animal Shelter/
S.P.C.A. to help feed an abandoned dog/cat. We will be visiting the local vet.

**Friday 3 March: Water Play Day.** Please pack your child's swimming costume, a towel, hat and sun cream. This day is loads of fun. Ice-cream is sure to be served.



**Friday 31 March: Easter Hat Parade.** Parents help your child to make an Easter hat at home.