

Manor Green College

'Opportunity and Success For All'



Message from Mr. Smith

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that 2019 has started well for you. I am really pleased we have all started the year so positively here at Manor Green College. Over the last few weeks we have seen the students have access to some amazing

opportunities, including the Table Top Cricket tournament at Sussex Cricket Club, Rock Challenge practice, the College Choir and the opening of our FE café.

Over 50 students across the College have been practicing for the Rock Challenge event later in the month. The piece that has been put together by Mr Harrington, staff and students is truly fantastic. Work experience is also in full swing, with many of our Year 11/FE students out working in the local community getting fantastic feedback.

The FE Café is now open and being run by the students. The Café has grown with it's success with staff able to buy a wide variety of different lunches made by the students.

A decision has been made in conjunction with Manor Green Primary that both schools will close at 1.30pm at the end of every full term (not half terms).

Finally I would like to welcome Nick Pritchard as our new Deputy Headteacher who brings a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to the college. Nick has been made to feel thoroughly welcome by students, families and staff since he started.

Thank you for your continued support and best wishes for a great 2019.

3 new staff are welcomed to MGC



Danni Neil



Ilknur Guler

We welcome both Danni and Ilknur, appointed as Mid-day Meal Supervisors and Casual Learning Support Assistants, to the Staff Team.



Nick Pritchard- Deputy Headteacher

1 staff member is leaving us this half term



We say goodbye to Emma and thank her for her contribution and dedication to the College. We wish Emma well for the future.

EMMA GARLICK – Learning Support Assistant





UPCOMING EVENTS

18-22 February February Half Term

26 February Rock Challenge

27 February High Sheriff of West Sussex visiting MGC

5 March School Photograph Day

6 March Rock Challenge Performance at Crawley Borough Community Awards

15 March Red Nose Day

18 March Choir—Crawley Sings Live at The Hawth

8-22 April Easter Holiday

1-5 April—KS4 Activity Week

3 April KS3 Shrek The Musical- afternoon and evening

7 May 2019 INSET Day/ Autism Support Day

I was so inspired by my work experience at Holmbush Farm that I decided to go to Brinsbury College in September to study Animal Care.

Hazel

I am going to Crawley College in September to study and I am doing a course called progression.

Charlie

I was really inspired by my work experience and how my family look after a horse that I am going to go to Brinsbury College to study Forging and working with the horses in the Equine Department. Aaron

I am going to Crawley College to study Construction.

Lorenzo

I am going to Crawley College. I've already had my interview, I was very nervous but it went very well. I am looking forward to studying either Health and Social Care or Public Services.

Ellie

I am going to Crawley College to study Carpentry and Mechanics. Adam

I wish to go to Crawley College to study Design Technology. I have already been to my interview. I felt a little bit worried at first but I managed to succeed.

Thomas

I am looking forward to going to Brinsbury College to study Animal Care. I can't wait to start College.

Rebecca

I am looking forward to Brinsbury College to study Horticulture Michael

I am going to Crawley College to study carpentry. Jamie

Kieren's career kicks off!

Kieren has been on work experience at Nandos for several months now and is clearly very happy there. His colleagues speak very highly of him and regard him as a valuable, hardworking member of the team. His main role is to meet and greet hungry customers as

they arrive and he does this with his characteristic cheerfulness.

I was particularly impressed with how well Kieren takes the initiative when he is not busy with customers and willingly carries out other tasks that help to keep Nando's running smoothly. Well done Kieren!

Mrs Legg

On the 4th January 2019, Kieren Stevens was told that he was going to get paid at his job at Nando's in Crawley.

Since the beginning of the school year, he's been doing work experience at Nando's and he's been doing so well that they decided to pay him for the hours that he works there. He works there every Wednesday. He cleans the tables, talks to customers, helps sort out the teas and coffees.



Kieren and his mum Claire got the good news from Mr. Court in his office. Kieren said "I'm really happy and excited". Kieren Stevens is a Year 14 student and will be leaving in June this year with a paid job.

Sam Teles-Amaro, also a Year 14 student, said "We are all very proud of him and one day, in the future, we will follow in his footsteps".

Written by Sam Teles-Amaro

School Council

Manor Green College has a strong school council with representatives and deputy representatives from each class. Recently we have had our School Council meeting and there were lots of students' voices represented from across the entire school. We invited the

School Business Manager along too just to get a good idea of the issues that the students normally raise. We have lots of projects that are in place to improve the school resources, and the students' lives at the College. We discussed our wish list and spoke about the things we can try to sort out now. I am very proud of the Council Reps who attended the most recent meeting, as they were well prepared and spoke up about their classmates and the issues they are experiencing.



Mr Cambridge

HALF TERP TODENT

Year 7

Consistent Good Work & Behaviour - Maaya Wangamati

Maaya has made a really good transition from the primary school to college and has settled well into 3MG. He enjoys school and is a keen learner, putting lots of effort into every task. He arrives at school each day with a smile ready to learn. He is a kind and friendly young man and always tries to make the right choices.

<u>Personal Development Award - Jacob Hooper Watson</u>

Jacob has really pushed himself this half term to try things which in the past he found tricky. Jacob has now attended the Manor Green football club for 1 and a half terms. In the past Jacob found this tricky and would not want to attend extra-curricular clubs. Jacob also found travelling to Sainsbury's tricky especially when travelling over the bridge. For the first time this year Jacob was able to travel over the bridge in a record time!!

Well Done Jacob

Most Improvement in Learning - Taylor Hollings

Taylor has been working extremely well for this half term, particularly with recognising and writing his numbers.

He has been working very hard in lessons and has also been taking extra work home to practice both his handwriting and his numbers.

Well done Taylor for the huge effort that you have put in.

KS3

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Consistent Good Work & Behaviour - Callie Howick

Callie has had an excellent half term. She works very well in every lesson and is making good progress. She has enthusiastically joined the Rock Challenge and is always keen to do her best. She is polite ,friendly and a pleasure to teach and have in our class.

Personal Development Award-Davida Adenivi

Davida has settled well into her new Y8/9 class with mostly unknown students. She has matured greatly since Y7 and she has a great sense of humour. She always tries her best in every lesson and if someone is finding something tricky (including staff) she will say "You can't give up! That's not a growth mindset!" She always checks that everyone is ok and if someone is sad or upset, she will try and cheer them up with giving them compliments and sometimes drawing them pictures. She is taking part in Rock Challenge and the Choir which utilises her talents and she really enjoys. She is always looking forward to the next session with her best friend Xanthe.

Most Improvement in Learning - Connor Doherty

In the last couple of months, Connor has had an absolute turn-around in my lessons. He is extremely thoughtful and goes out of his way to help others - including me - when he notices things that need doing in and around the classroom. Academically, things are really starting to click with Connor. He won't mind me saying that Maths is something he finds particularly challenging, but this has not affected his attitude in lessons. He is working incredibly hard to improve his times tables knowledge, he has been practising his number bonds to 10, 20, and 100, and he is starting to see the connections between different areas of Maths for the first time. This success if mirrored in his Science, PSHE and RE lessons with me, where he always puts in 100% effort and is making good progress. I'm really proud of Connor's attitude to his work lately and the results of this effort are paying off long may it continue!



Personal Development Award-Cameron Humphrey

Staff in Key Stage 4 are impressed with the progress Cameron has made in managing his behaviour. When Cameron is reluctant to take part in an activity, he is now sometimes able to join in anyway. He is working through his emotions in these situations and giving himself the chance to succeed. We are sure that Cameron will continue improving in this area as he matures into a young adult. Well done with this fabulous progress!

Consistent Good Work & Behaviour - Jack Willis

Jack has proven over the last term or so a dedication to all his learning. He has been expressing more opinions in English, getting more correct answers in Maths and helping others with their work in class.

Jack has shown outstanding progress in Performing Arts where he has lea younger students and has shown great passion for dance acting and music.

Jack is a cheeky chap with a great sense of humour which makes it a privilege to have him in class. Keep up the hard work Jack.

Well Done

<u>Most Improvement in Learning - Tiffany Kemp</u>

Tiffany has coped extremely well this half term. She has had to meet with lots of professionals that she didn't know and make some difficult decisions about her life in the future. She has managed to do this showing great maturity. Tiffany has also had a much better attendance record this half term.

KS5

Consistent Good Work & Behaviour-Eloise Wooding

Eloise is an all-round hard worker and a joy to have in the classroom. She has made a massive effort this term with her reading, drama and her speaking. She is increasingly confident and we are really proud of her, particularly in taking a main part in the World Book Day play, getting involved in choir and Rock Challenge and practising her reading and cooking at home as well as in school. Eloise always makes a big effort with her classmates, making sure she starts conversations with them and cheers them up when they are feeling down. You are AWESOME Eloise!

Personal Development Award-Cameron Hughes

Cameron is always helpful in class, offering to run errands and supporting other students. He is fully reliable and mature in his outlook, with some practical targets and aspirations. He has developed a positive outlook on all things, and been an asset when helping with FE Café. He has excellent social skills; continuing to make lots of friends with his great sense of humour and his relaxed, chatty nature. Cameron is an independent traveller who uses his initiative to develop further independent skills. He knows his own strengths and weaknesses, and wants to improve certain skills to help himself into adulthood and life beyond Manor Green.

Keep up the excellent work, Cameron. Well done.

Most Improvement in Learning- Jake Field

Jake has developed enormously in his independence, social and work skills. In the kitchen he always independently looks for the next job to be done and greets FE café customers with a smile and a polite comment. He is making an effort to chat to staff and students, including those in other year groups, both in the classroom and during social time. Jake has worked really hard on expressing his thoughts and asking questions when he is unsure of what is happening next. We are really proud of you Jake – keep being brilliant!



TUDE \$

High Needs Group

Consistant Good Work and Behaviour - Tarig Elkakli

Tariq's behaviour has been much improved these past weeks. He is much more settled both in school and off-site. He has been accessing the full range of school activities which is great to see. He really enjoys interaction with staff to talk about his interests and is communicating much more. Tariq is actually leaving Manor Green College to emigrate to Australia with his family so we will be very sad to see him go, especially as he is making such great progress. We wish Tariq and his family all the very best for their new life Down Under and we are all a little bit envious that he will be basking in the sun instead of the freezing temperatures of the UK.

Well done Tariq and good luck for the future.

Personal development Award - Annabelle Keza

Annabelle has settled in very well in her KS4 class. She accesses all learning activities with her peers and exhibits great maturity. She carries out various chores that involve her going around the school without staff support. She carries out various instructions and then comes back to class unprompted. Annabelle has also been accessing lessons in more generic classrooms with different sets of peers and she has exhibited a great sense of adaptability. Going forward, Annabelle will continue being included in the generic classes in preparation for a move to our FE department. Well done Annabelle, we are all very proud of you!

Most Improvement in Learning - Irene Pasat

Over the course of the term, Irene has exhibited great maturity. She will now follow her daily schedule without much prompting. In fact she will in most cases initiate the start of activities especially if it is something that she really likes like swimming. Irene will gladly accept change and move on to the next activity when something she is doing comes to an end. She responds well to visual instructions and will at times use appropriate visuals to communicate her needs and wants. We are all very pleased with Irene's progress and so proud of her being student of the half term.



Brandon Reader

This year Brandon has shown immense personal and professional development. He has engaged with his work and his classmates, demonstrated a positive and professional outlook and produced some outstanding work, particularly in drama. Brandon's work ethic and focus led to him securing work experience one day a week at a leading technology firm. They thought he was so good he has been invited back to do two days a week this term and they are hoping to offer him more training and development in the future. Brandon has been a core member of the Rock Challenge group and a leading character for the World Book Day project FE are running. We are incredibly proud of him.



MGC Student work at Tron Gallery, Glasgow

We had six artists from the college submit work to Project Ability for their annual Christmas fundraising exhibition. All work was accepted and was shown at Tron Gallery, Glasgow from November to December 2018. We are very proud of their work and it will be on show at our summer exhibition at The Hawth in June.



Exhibiting artists: Thomas Willis, Kieren Stevens, Hazel Miller, Sophie O'Brien, Kimberly Kenyon, Mia Tinston.

Art Partnership work with Outreach 3 Way

Our Art department has created a partnership with Outreach 3 Way, Outreach 3 Way is a Sussex charity that provides support for people with learning disabilities and autism in East and West Sussex, with a day centre in Ifield. We have hosted a short series of workshops for a few of the young people from their day centre – some of whom are our ex-students. They produced a collaborative painting with our FE teacher Sally. In the summer we will be taking some of our students to their pottery studio to create some work.



FE Art

The FE Art group have been working very hard for the Hawth Exhibition in June, creating lovely colourful pictures and prints. Well done to them all for concentrating and producing such lovely work.



On Tuesday 5th of February 3DP and 3EM attended a table cricket tournament at the Sussex Cricket ground in Hove.

Sussex Cricket have been in to these classes PE lessons to teach them table cricket.

Manor Green entered 2 teams into the 6 team tournament and our teams showed great fight and skill in all 4 of the matches played.

Manor Green 1, led by Manav Chako, played some great shots, and fielded very well. Top run scorer was Thomas Haysom with Bailey Heath the top wicket taker. Manor Green 1 lost their opening game but won their second game by 20 runs.

Manor Green 2, captained by Callum Baker, played with great enthusiasm and were very supportive of not just our team but all the other teams too. Top run scorers were Kyron Hubbard and Yasin Hussain, with Tyler Browning and Captain Fantastic Callum taking the most wickets. Unfortunately Manor Green 2 lost both of their games.







5th February Safer Internet Day 2019

The theme of this year's Safer Internet Day is 'Together for a better internet'. Here are some things you can do to teach your child to be kind and respectful online:

- 1. Teach them empathy and understanding
- 2. Help them recognise the difference between banter and bullying
- 3. Explain how they can avoid unnecessary misunderstandings online
- 4. Emphasise the damage that trolling can cause

Remember we deliver a 6 week block of lessons across the school on Internet Safety. This is such an important part of our students' learning at MGC.

Please refer to Parent Zone website for ideas and guides, and for the more serious issues you can contact CEOP directly online.

The crisp packet and biscuit wrapper collections are going very well. So far we have raised £19.76 by recycling these items through teracycle. All of the money raised in this way will go towards our long waited for bike track. Many students have been involved in collecting, sorting, packing and posting the waste. The Duke of Edinburgh students are also taking responsibility for collecting and sorting some of the class room recycling bins as well as helping with the wrapper scheme.



Please encourage your family and friends to collect the wrappers and send them into school for us. We can only accept potato crisp packets, all brands of non-savoury biscuit wrappers, all brands of cake wrappers and all brands of cracker wrappers. Please do not send in any other packets as these cannot be recycled through this scheme.

We are also collecting any plastic bottle tops, which are being taken to the shop 'LUSH' in Crawley town where they recycle them into furniture and pots for their produce. The students are learning a lot about the environment through these activities.

Chinese New Year

On Tuesday 5th February 3MG used their Life Skills trip to go to Sainsbury's in the morning to source Chinese food to celebrate the Year of the Pig in the afternoon. While listening to Chinese music we had a feast including rice, noodles, sweet and sour sauce, prawn crackers and spring rolls topped off with Green Tea biscuits. Afterwards we dressed in traditional Chinese clothing and paraded through the school doing a dragon dance.

Kung Hei Fat Choi!





HOUSEKEEPING

Thank you for your support so far this year. We would like to take this opportunity to ask for your help with a few housekeeping matters.

We would like to encourage you to:

- Make any necessary payments through School Gateway. If you need assistance with this please do ask the office staff and they will be able to help.
- If you need to make payments by cash or cheque please send these in with your young person via their class teacher in a sealed named envelope.
- If you have not yet paid for cooking for the spring term we would be grateful to receive payment.
- Medical appointments should be made out of school hours whenever possible. If this is unavoidable please notify us in advance of the date through the home school diary.
 Please let us have a copy of the appointment letter for our records.
- If you need to change the arrangements for your young person at the end of the day, e.g. someone else is collecting them, please let the class teacher know.
- Parents waiting to collect students at the end of the day are invited to wait in reception from 3:00pm onwards. We ask that the reception area is kept clear before this time.
- Cars parked in the drop off zone during drop off and collection times must have their engines switched off.
- Please pay dinner money in advance via School Gateway or cash/cheque.
- If your young person is absent please call in to the absence line before 8.30am.

Many thanks for your help

PARKING

Please be aware the car park at the bottom of our road is a private car park for staff, patients and ambulances of Ifield Medical Practice only.

We have been asked to pass on a plea that parents do not use this car park. It is crucial that patients and staff of the practice are able to access the car park at all times.

We would also ask that parents park considerately in the neighbouring streets to the college causing as minimal disruption to our neighbours as possible.

BULK SMS

We would like to thank Bulk SMS for providing us with a free credits to allow us to send text messages. This is a quick and effective way of communicating with our parents and carers. Bulk SMS have supported the College for a number years and we would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their kind and generous donations of credits.

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CHILDREN, PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS ALL WELCOME



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- STORYTELLING TENT



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