



# Manor Green Primary Academy

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am writing to you today to confirm some unavoidable changes to the extended curriculum provision at Manor Green for the coming academic year.

Over the last few years, as you will be aware from the press, there has been increased pressure on education budgets. This has also been the case here in our academy. There have also been changes to the way that certain grants can be used, such as the Sports Premium Funding. Overall this has led to the following:

- Brass Band will continue for the 2018-2019 academic year in order to allow those children who have learnt to play a brass instrument the opportunity to continue with this. Unfortunately we cannot afford to fund the wider opportunities class brass tuition, which has historically been offered to Year 4. It should be noted that the music tuition was only a small part of the whole school music curriculum which is delivered by class teachers, this will still continue. We will also use the talents of our existing staff to provide additional music opportunities such as the choir and instruments such as the recorder.
- Changes to the Sports Premium Funding, as explained in a previous letter, have led to tighter controls regarding what it is spent on. As stated: *Manor Green will continue to provide quality PE and health provision in the coming academic year. We will also continue to work with external providers within the necessary financial and safety frameworks to facilitate opportunities for extra-curricular provision within the school holidays should we be approached by any external provider to use our facilities.* Unfortunately we will not be renewing our partnership with Activekids4life as we cannot afford this provider. We thank Mr Willcock for his work with the children of Manor Green over the years.

I understand that this information may cause some consternation and I can assure you that I have worked with the Trust and the Local Governing Body to try to find alternatives to these decisions.

In order to support the future funding of not only Manor Green, but also of education in general, I would urge that rather than address complaints about this to the academy, you address these to our local MP Andrew Gwynne so that he can lobby those who make the funding decisions which impact upon us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. D. Warren  
Principal

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