

# **Maney Hill Newsletter**

27<sup>th</sup> March 2015

# Dates for your diary April

13<sup>th</sup> – School re-opens 16<sup>th</sup> – Y1 Inspire Workshop 18<sup>th</sup> – Race Night 29<sup>th</sup> – Reception Class Assembly 30<sup>th</sup> – Y4 Inspire Workshop w/b 20<sup>th</sup> Parents' Evening w/b 20<sup>th</sup> – Governor Visits Week 24<sup>th</sup> – Ladies Night

#### May

5<sup>th</sup> – Y3 Inspire Workshop 7<sup>th</sup> – Class Assembly 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> Year 6 SATs 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Residential 17<sup>th</sup> – PTA Fun Run 22<sup>nd</sup> – break up for half term

#### June

1<sup>st</sup> – Staff Training Day 2<sup>nd</sup> – School re-opens 10<sup>th</sup> Whole School Photo to celebrate 50 years of Maney Hill 10<sup>th</sup> Sports Day 17<sup>th</sup> – Area Sports Day 19<sup>th</sup> – PTA Quiz Night w/b 22<sup>nd</sup> – Y5 Bike-ability w/b 22<sup>nd</sup> Y6 Transition Day to Sutton Park

#### July

1<sup>st</sup> Y6 Transition Day
1<sup>st</sup> – Buddies Afternoon
1<sup>st</sup> – Y4 Bike-ability
4<sup>th</sup> – PTA Summer Fayre
w/b 6<sup>th</sup> Reports to parents
8<sup>th</sup> – PTA Discos
w/b 13<sup>th</sup> Parents' Open Afternoon
and Parents' Evening Drop-in
17<sup>th</sup> – last day of year

#### September

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> – Staff Training Days 7<sup>th</sup> – first day of Autumn Term **October** 

3<sup>rd</sup> – PTA Summer Ball

#### November

7<sup>th</sup> – Bonfire Night

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**Dear Parents and Carers** 



As the Spring term comes to an end, I'd like to thank all the school staff, parents & families, PTA, volunteer helpers, governors and, most of all, the children for making it another super term at Maney Hill.

Whatever you have planned, I hope you all have a lovely break. School reopens on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 8.45am.

Happy Easter!

**Mrs Whitehead** 

#### **Easter Bonnets Parade**

On Thursday, we held our Easter Bonnet Parade. We were all flabbergasted with how much time and effort the children and their grown-ups had put into their bonnets! The children enjoyed their parade around the hall to show their hard work to the adults and the Junior children. Reception sang 'Chick Chick Chicken' with actions too, to the rest of the school . This was followed by a choir of Year 1 and 2 singing 'Hot Cross Buns'. Head Boy and Head Girl, along with Reverend Rhodes, then had the very difficult job of choosing two winners from each class! Well done to our winners and for all who took part.

The Infant Team



# Reception trip to Umberslade Farm

Reception had a great time at Umberslade Farm.

We fed the chickens and saw inside the chicken coop.

We fed the lambs and calves. We stroked the rabbits, guine pigs, rats and chicks.

**Miss Antrobus** 



# **Cross-country Report**

On Wednesday night children from Year 4, 5 and 6 took part in the final cross-country race of the season in Sutton Park. The girls team consisted of Amelia Brady, Daisy Blakeway, Caitlin Ralph, Summer Blakeway, Sophie Perry, Charlotte Walker, Daisy Kelly and Amaya Tisdale. Whilst the boys were represented by James Mann, Ben Stewart and Archie Morris. A challenging 2 lap course was tackled with great determination by all of the children. Several of the children managed personal best performances, suitable reward for their efforts throughout the season.

Trophies were presented at the end of the race for children who had run particularly well across the series of races. In Year 5 Ben Stewart (1<sup>st</sup>) and Archie Morris (3<sup>rd</sup>) received medals in the Year 5 boys competition — an outstanding achievement! Additionally Amaya Tisdale finished the season as the 3<sup>rd</sup> best Year 4 girl in Sutton, a superb effort in her first season. Well done to those children, but also to the whole team who contributed to successful overall team positions of 6<sup>th</sup> for the girls, and 10<sup>th</sup> for the boys.

Congratulations to all who have represent the School in cross-country this year, and I look forward to another enjoyable and successful season next year.

Mr Wigley



On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March, Year 4 took part in some food tasting as part of our topic work on the Greeks. Children were fortunate enough to try a wide variety of Greek foods including feta cheese, halloumi, pitta bread, olives and many other cooked delicacies. All of us thoroughly enjoyed this afternoon, learning about Greek culture and even a little bit of Greek language to go with it!

A big thank you to Mrs. Karafillides who made some delicious extra dishes for us to try and spoke to us in detail about each of the foods.

Mr McNicholas



# **Football Report**

Over the last week the football team have played two fixtures, against New Hall and Mere Green. The game last Friday against New Hall was a high scoring encounter. Maney quickly took a 3 goal lead through Ben Stewart, Jordan Knight and Oliver Gray-Nimmo. New Hall pulled a goal back, and then Alastair Smith and Archie Morris added further goals to make it 5-1 at half time. In the second half Maney added four more goals through Oliver (2), Archie and Ben. New Hall scored a further goal leaving the result at 9-2 to Maney Hill – well done to all members of the successful team.

Last night Maney then played Mere Green school in extremely windy conditions. This match ended up being a much tighter contest , and despite creating a number of chances we couldn't quite put the ball in the goal as frequently. Maney opened the scoring through Oliver Gray-Nimmo direct from a corner, but Mere Green responded with an equaliser in the second half to leave the result at 1-1.

Thanks to all that have come to support the team during the season, and to Mr Lynch, Mr McNicholas and Mr Wigley in running the team.

#### **Woodwind Chamber Concert**

Congratulations to **Tom Robinson**, **Amy Jones**, **Ben Stewart**, **James Mann** and **Isabel Jones** for taking part in the **Woodwind Chamber Concert** held on Tuesday at St. Michael's Church in Boldmere.



### **Class of the Week**

Congratulations to Year 3 who are our 'top class' during lunchtimes.



Reception	Karandeep Kaur & Ramy Falah
Year 1	Archie Cartmill & Joel Lumb
Year 2	Ben Richards & Millie Ware
Year 3	Lara Ghazal & Max Jefferson
Year 4	Leo Jones & Roshni Shinh
Year 5	Summer Blakeway & Thomas Halliday
Year6	Imogen Sealey & Jessica Din