



Maney Hill Newsletter

17th April 2015

Dates for your diary

April

18th – Race Night

29th – Reception Class Assembly

30th – Y4 Inspire Workshop

w/b 20th Parents' Evening

w/b 20th – Governor Visits Week

24th – Ladies Night

May

5th – Y3 Inspire Workshop

7th – Class Assembly

11th – 14th Year 6 SATs

11th – 15th Year 5 Residential

17th – PTA Fun Run

22nd – break up for half term

June

1st – Staff Training Day

2nd – School re-opens

10th Whole School Photo to celebrate 50 years of Maney Hill

10th Sports Day

17th – Area Sports Day

19th – PTA Quiz Night

w/b 22nd – Y5 Bike-ability

w/b 22nd Y6 Transition Day to Sutton Park

July

1st Y6 Transition Day

1st – Buddies Afternoon

1st – Y4 Bike-ability

4th – PTA Summer Fayre

w/b 6th Reports to parents

8th – PTA Discos

w/b 13th Parents' Open Afternoon and Parents' Evening Drop-in

17th – last day of year

September

3rd & 4th – Staff Training Days

7th – first day of Autumn Term

October

3rd – PTA Summer Ball

November

7th – Bonfire Night

December

4th – Christmas Favre

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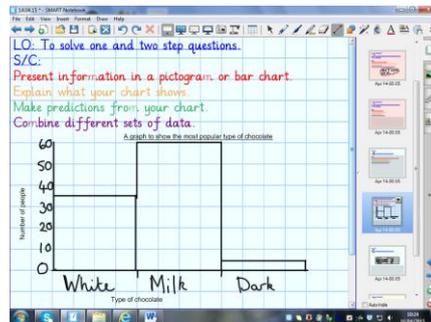
Miss S Antrobus BEd

Dear Parents and Carers

I can hardly believe that we are already in the summer term. We came back to lovely sunny weather and the older children have been able to use the big playing fields during break and lunchtimes. We have lots and lots planned for this term including this week's Year 1 Parents' Workshop and Year 5 taking a trip to the National Space Centre (details to follow next week). As always, the summer term is the time for statutory testing, in particular Year 1 Phonics and Year 2 and Year 6 SATs tests. We know the children have all worked hard and the teachers have made sure they are well prepared. Parents can best support their children by making sure they sleep well, come to school every day and by praising them for their efforts.

Mrs Whitehead

Amazing SMART boards at Maney Hill!



A screen shot from a whiteboard

The week started with the teachers and children discovering that amazing new SMART boards had been fitted to every classroom in the main building. These are the latest hi-tech interactive whiteboards.

We have to say an enormous *Thank You* to the PTA for buying us these

whiteboards. Also, a big *Thank You* to our super IT expert Mr Hartop for advising us on what to buy and then fitting them over Easter.



Parents' Drop-In

On **Wednesday 22nd April from 3.30pm – 4.30pm** in addition to our three Parents' Evenings we have an additional Parents' Drop-In.

We have introduced the extra meeting as an opportunity **for those parents who have a concern about their child's learning** to meet with the class teacher.

Books will not be on display nor will there be a general discussion of the child's progress and learning.

As usual, at the end of the Summer term we will be having our Open Afternoon and Parents Drop-In after the Pupils' Annual Reports come out.

School Uniform Grant

Sutton Coldfield Charitable Trust may be able to help with the cost of new school uniforms. If your child receives free school meals or if you feel you need help in buying new uniforms please get an application form at the school office.



Please note that the deadline for applications is Friday 24th April.

Year 1 Reading Inspire Workshop

The children enjoyed playing different games with their adults, all with a focus on phonics and reading skills. The children said they had a good time and liked testing their grown-ups on the sounds we learn in school! We even enjoyed an 'alien word' activity involving getting messy with chalk out on the back playground. It was so lovely to see so many parents and grandparents attend the morning. Thank you for your continued support. **Mrs Samson**



Class of the Week

Congratulations to **Year 5** who are our 'top class' during lunchtimes.



Upcoming PTA events

Saturday 18th April – Race Night

Friday 24th April – Ladies Night

Ladies Night

Friday 24th April 7-10pm tickets now on sale at £3 includes a glass of prosecco.

There will be a variety of stalls selling crafts, gifts, clothes, cakes plus therapists offering taster treatments including massage, nails, facials, a medium, tarot cards, licensed bar with samosas. Year 5 and 6 girls will be welcome to come along with their moms. U 16's are free but please no young children. Please invite your family and friends.

Both events should be lots of fun and as always, the children benefit greatly from the additional funds raised



Reception	Charlotte Moore Rebecca Bye
Year 1	Joe Richards Isaac Watson
Year 2	Oscar Thacker Samiyah Hakim
Year 3	Francesca Rouendaal Gregory Rushton
Year 4	Hannah Vuong Sam Wall
Year 5	Archie Morris Ben Stewart Whole Class
Year 6	Eliane Lawford Oliver Gray-Nimmo