



Maney Hill Newsletter

23rd June 2017

Dates for your diary

updates in red

June

27th – RF Class Assembly
28th & 29th – Buddies Assemblies
July
8th – PTA Summer Fayre
11th – RM Class Assembly
w/b 17th – Open Afternoon &
Parents' Evening (drop-in)
19th – Y6 Leavers' Production
21st – last day of term for children
24th & 25th – Staff Training Days

NEXT YEAR'S DATES

September

4th – Staff Training Day
5th – Autumn Term starts

October

23rd – 27th – half term week

November

December

21st – last day of term
22nd – Staff Training Day

January

8th – Spring Term starts

February

19th – 23rd – half term week

March

29th – last day of term

April

16th – Summer Term starts

May

25th – Staff Training Day
25th – half term week

June

1st – half term week

July

20th – last day of the year
23rd & 24th – Staff Training
Days

Dear Parents and Carers

It's been a super week in school. Mrs Fullard's class are preparing for their Class Assembly next week; the Year 5 class are putting the finishing touches to their Buddies Assembly for the new Reception children and the Year 6 class have begun rehearsals for their end of year Leaver's Production. Meanwhile, children in Key Stage 2 have been wonderfully successful – Year 5 cricketers and Years 3 & 4 athletes. The week has ended a little bit cooler – just how we like it in school!

Mrs Whitehead



Summer Fayre
Saturday 8th July
12.30pm – 3.00pm

Please keep your donations of good quality unwanted teddies, toys and games coming into the school office for the Children's Tombola.

Don't forget those sunshine jars either – there is a prize for the best design!

Thank you to those who have offered help so far....but we still need lots more helpers so please sign up and help.

The event cannot run without the support of helpers so please let us know if you can help. Please talk to Sharon Ralph (Chair of the PTA), Mark Webber (Vice-chair of the PTA), Miss Cipko (Deputy Headteacher) or Mrs Smith (Senior Office Manager) or any of the PTA volunteers.

The next Mufti day is Friday 30th June.

★★ Sporting Success at Maney Hill ★★

Once again, here at Maney Hill we are celebrating exceptional sporting success!

A team of **cricketers from Year 5** have qualified for the **Warwickshire Cricket Tournament Final to be played on the Edgbaston Cricket Ground!**

Meanwhile our **Year 3 and Year 4 athletics team** have qualified for the **Birmingham School Games Athletics Final**, representing Maney Hill and all of Sutton Coldfield!

Very well done to all the children involved. Special thanks must go to **Mr Wigley** (our PE Leader), **Miss Heath** and all the Key Stage 2 staff.

School Expansion Update

This week the fencing was erected around the old Reception block and some of the playing field. Whilst the play area will be much reduced for the coming months, we will continue with all our sports lessons and events. Most importantly at the moment....the summer fayre will still go ahead!

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Terrorist incidents are shocking and upsetting but as always in school we have carried on with our planned every day activities. As a school we celebrate our diverse community – in every classroom, across the school, in Sutton Coldfield and throughout Britain and the wider world.

In response to the terror attack outside the mosque in Finsbury Park, included in this newsletter are a message from Councillors Tristan Chatfield and Brigid Jones and a statement from the Muslim Council of Britain.

Message from Cllr Tristan Chatfield and Cllr Brigid Jones

This is the fourth time we've had to react to a terror attack in recent weeks. We've had attacks on people who engage in democracy, attacks on people out simply having a good time, and now attacks on people practicing their religion. Our thoughts are with those who have lost someone and those who are still fighting for their lives. We know that the police and other services are working hard to protect other mosques during what should be a holy and happy week and that they are doing all they can to keep us all safe.

Over the weekend we marked the anniversary of another attack; the murder of Jo Cox, an MP in the north by an extremist. But rather than let the attackers win by hiding scared, we celebrated her life, holding parties and picnics to commemorate everything she stood for. We need to mourn those taken away from us, but also to honour their memory by doing the very things the extremists don't want us to do. So if you're celebrating this week, we wish you Eid Mubarak when it comes; and for everyone, we hope you enjoy the sunshine and keep living your lives to the full.

Statement from the Muslim Council of Britain

Harun Khan, Secretary General of the Muslim Council of Britain said: "During the night, ordinary British citizens were set upon while they were going about their lives, completing their night worship. My prayers are with the victims and their families. It appears from eye witness accounts that the perpetrator was motivated by Islamophobia. Over the past weeks and months, Muslims have endured many incidents of Islamophobia, and this is the most violent manifestation to date. Given we are approaching the end of the month of Ramadan and the celebration of Eid with many Muslims going to local mosques, we expect the authorities to increase security outside mosques as a matter of urgency. Muslim communities have been calling for increased action to tackle the growth in hate crime for many years and transformative action must now be taken to tackle not only this incident but the hugely worrying growth in Islamophobia. Many will feel terrorised, no doubt be angry and saddened by what has taken place tonight. We urge calm as the investigation establishes the full facts, and in these last days of Ramadan, pray for those affected and for justice."



**Congratulations to
RF and Year 4
Lunchtime Classes of the Week**



RM Annaliese Petridis & Alfie Beck
RF Max Lightfoot & Mya Kaur
1B Nayia Whelan & William Maw
1J Jamie Ward & Charlie King
Year 2 Damali Ibrahim & Cayden Buttler
Year 3 Joshua Lawford & Caleb Freeman
Year 4 Rayan Ali & Ishan Lad
Year 5 Maddie Tross & Morgan Fryer
Year 6 Sunny Joshi & Imogen Hill-Weddle

Dates for your diary

We know families like to have term dates well in advance. This can be especially helpful when booking family holidays. However, we're sorry that in trying to be helpful we may have confused some parents with two sets of dates.

The *Dates for your diary* include dates in June and July *this year* and then dates for the full academic year *next year*. This year, **the last day of term is Friday 21st July 2017.**