



Maney Hill Newsletter

9th January 2015

Dates for your diary

January

- 14th – Y6 Height/Weight checks
- 22nd – Y4 Class Assembly
- 29th – Y1 Inspire Workshop

February

- w/b 2nd Governor Visits Week
- w/b 9th Parents' Evening
- 10th – Y5 Inspire Workshop
- 12th – Y2 Class Assembly
- 13th – break up for half term
- 23rd – School re-opens

March

- 4th – Reception Inspire Workshop
- w/b 23rd – Easter Bonnets
- 24th – Y2 Inspire Workshop
- 27th – last day of term

April

- 16th – Y1 Inspire Workshop
- 29th – Reception Class Assembly
- 30th – Y4 Inspire Workshop
- w/b 20th Parents' Evening
- w/b 20th – Governor Visits Week
- 13th – School re-opens

May

- 5th – Y3 Inspire Workshop
- 7th – Class Assembly
- 11th – 14th Year 6 SATs
- 11th – 15th Year 5 Residential
- 22nd – break up for half term

June

- 1st – Staff Training Day
- 2nd – School re-opens
- w/b 8th Sports Day
- w/b 22nd – Y5 Bike-ability
- w/b 29th Reception Buddies Afternoon

July

- 1st Y6 Transition Day
- 1st – Buddies Afternoon
- w/b 6th Reports to parents
- w/b 13th Parents' Open Afternoon and Parents' Evening Drop-in
- 17th – last day of year

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Dear Parents and Carers

A Happy New Year to all our families and welcome back to school for the Spring term. We started the week with a whole school trip to the theatre. Whilst both our teaching and the lovely school environment contribute very much to the children's enjoyment and success in learning, we like to enrich the children's learning through engaging out of school visits. Upcoming visits this term include walking to Pizza Express to make pizzas, visiting the Fire Station, having a day at Tamworth Castle and visiting a Hindu Temple. In addition, we have Parents' Inspire Workshops for Year 1, Year 5, Reception and Year 2 (more details to follow). It's going to be a busy term and we've had a great first week.

Mrs Whitehead

Theatre Trip



Sophie and the Big Friendly Giant

We had a super start to the new term with a trip to Birmingham's Rep Theatre to see *The BFG*. Roald Dahl books are very popular with children. The acting, singing and dancing were inspiring.

A very big thank you to the PTA for funding this excellent trip, as we would otherwise have been unable to attend.

Year 4 Class Assembly

The Year 4 class have begun rehearsals for their Class Assembly.

We love to have family attending the assemblies, including parents, grandparents and pre-school siblings.

The assembly is on Thursday 22nd at 9am and we hope you can join us.

Winter weather

During this cold and wet weather it has been good to see the children dressed appropriately with warm coats, hats and gloves. Should the weather turn colder and we have snow, please remember that we will always endeavour to keep the school open. However, if we have so much snow that we have to close we will: send a message through Group Call, contact local radio (e.g. BRMB) and update our website with a message.



School Clubs

Many of the school clubs will begin again next week. We have a variety of clubs and as a one form entry primary school (with many fewer staff and resources than most schools) we are proud of both the range and the number of clubs we are able to offer the children.

Monday – Tae Kwon Do

Tuesday – Knitting, Music, French (Year 2)

Wednesday – Choir

Thursday – Tae Kwon Do, Girls' Football

Friday – School Council, Film Club , Tennis Club

During this term we will be having many more clubs including:

Boys' Football, Netball, Basketball, Art, Eco-club and Aston Villa training.

All clubs will be advertised so please keep a lookout for information. Mrs Smith will also have information on dates as it becomes available.



Learning to knit with Mrs Hall

Height and Weight Checks

The School Nurses will be in school next week. On Wednesday 14th January they will be completing the Year 6 Height and Weight checks.

This is part of a national monitoring programme which includes measures being taken of all Reception and Year 6 children.

The Reception children were measured earlier in the school year.



Class of the Week

Congratulations to **Year 2** who are our 'top class' during lunchtimes.

New Football Strip

We have brand new football strips. Our excellent PTA have kindly bought a complete set of football strips for the Boys Football Team. The PTA recently bought football strips for the Girls team so we have the full set now.

With our talented players, amazing coaches (Mr Wigley and Mr McNicholas!) and these dazzling new strips we're sure to win many matches!



Jordan and Oliver modelling the new football strips



Reception	Karandeep Kaur Aimee Culley
Year 1	Emily Ralph Rukaiya Rashid
Year 2	Oliver Moore Daisy Hewitt
Year 3	Lara Ghazal Joshua Mangat
Year 4	Anna Karafillides Amaya Tisdale
Year 5	Laylee Bassiri-Qadeer Thomas Halliday
Year 6	Shikha Puri William Dempster