



MANEY HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Maney Hill Newsletter

26<sup>th</sup> June 2015

## Dates for your diary

### July

1<sup>st</sup> Y6 Transition Day  
 2<sup>nd</sup> – Buddies Afternoon  
 4<sup>th</sup> – Y4 Bike-ability  
 4<sup>th</sup> – PTA Summer Fayre  
 w/b 6<sup>th</sup> Reports to parents  
 10<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  
 w/b 14<sup>th</sup> – Welcome meetings

### October

3<sup>rd</sup> – PTA Summer Ball  
 w/b 12<sup>th</sup> Parents' Evenings

### November

2<sup>nd</sup> – Governor Visits Week  
 7<sup>th</sup> – Bonfire Night

### December

3<sup>rd</sup> – whole school Theatre Trip  
 4<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Fayre  
 w/b 7<sup>th</sup> – KS1 Production  
 w/b 14<sup>th</sup> – KS2 Production  
 16<sup>th</sup> – PTA Discos

### January

4<sup>th</sup> – Staff Training Day  
 5<sup>th</sup> – first day of Spring Term

### February

1<sup>st</sup> – Governor Visits Week  
 w/b 8<sup>th</sup> – Parents' Evenings

### March

w/b 21<sup>st</sup> Easter Bonnets Parade

### April

11<sup>th</sup> – Staff Training Day  
 12<sup>th</sup> – first day of Summer term  
 w/b 18<sup>th</sup> – Parents' Drop-in

### May

9<sup>th</sup> – SATs Week  
 27<sup>th</sup> – Staff Training Day

### June

### July

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Miss S Antrobus BEd

Dear Parents and Carers

I was especially proud of the children at Maney Hill this week. On Monday the Year 6 children behaved sensibly and enjoyed a day out at Drayton Manor. The Year 4 class entered the Walmley Cricket Competition and a Headteacher from one of the other schools competing contacted me to let me know that his staff had been particularly impressed with the Maney Hill children. They were well-behaved, kind to others and were good sports. Mr McNicholas' report of the day follows. The Year 5 children have been remarkable in their approach to their new Reception Buddies. They have requested two buddies each, done twice the usual amount of preparations and I know they will make all 60 of our new children feel welcome. Finally, the current Reception class spent Thursday in Year 1 with Miss Antrobus and Miss Collister. They all thoroughly enjoyed the day and are definitely ready for the more structured learning of Year 1.

Well done children!

**Mrs Whitehead**

## Walmley Cricket Competition

On Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, Year 4 had the privilege of playing in the 'Chance to shine' cricket festival held at Walmley Cricket Club. The festival gave **all** children the opportunity to play cricket against a selection of other local schools. Year 4 represented Maney Hill school in the highest possible fashion and their excellent behaviour, politeness and sportsmanship throughout was noted by other schools. The children had the chance to meet England and Warwickshire cricket player Jonathan Trott, who joined in with some of the action. After a day's play, our teams finished 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> – a very respectable result after a great day of cricket enjoyed by all.

**Mr McNicholas**

"I really enjoyed coming together with other schools and making new friends."

**Heidi Webber**

"I really enjoyed playing the games because we worked together as a team."

**Oscar Ware**



## Early Settlers

Year 3's topic this term has been all about Early Settlers. We have had great fun finding out all about life in early Britain, including making our own model Iron Age roundhouses. In the last two weeks of term, we will be attempting a project of epic proportions – building our own, full size round house in the school grounds! We will be using largely traditional methods; however, we may need to rely upon more modern materials. We need to collect materials such as: thin bamboo canes (as long and as many as possible!), upright posts (for example fence posts or tree stakes), willow-style canes or twigs, rope, twine and lots and lots of straw. If you think you or somebody you know may have any spare materials they can donate, or any expertise that could help us with our build, please do not hesitate to get in touch! **Miss Tyrrell**



## Class of the Week

Congratulations to **Year 1** who are our 'top class' during lunchtimes.

## Reception Buddies

The planning for our annual Reception Buddies Party is well under way. Miss Bates and the Year 5 children have sent the invitations and are now busy working on arrangements for the day.

Due to a clash with the St Mary's Grammar School test, the date has been changed.

## Reception Buddies Party

**2<sup>nd</sup> July at 2pm**

## Area Sports Day

Very well done to **Archie Morris** for achieving **Gold in the Standing Long Jump** at the Area Sports Competition.

Unfortunately, Archie's name was missed from the sports report included in last week's newsletter.



## End of term School Discos

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

**Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 – 3.30pm – 4.30pm**

**Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 – 4.45pm – 5.45pm**



**Reception**      **Tariq Mehrzad**  
**Ella Reid**

**Year 1**            **Archie Cooper**  
**Fatimah Rizvi**

**Year 2**            **Rayan Ali**  
**Millie Ware**

**Year 3**            **Natasha Boyle**  
**Freddie Jones**

**Year 4**            **Anna Karafillides**  
**Eve Freeman**

**Year 5**            **Skye McNally**  
**Alex Chan**

**Year 6**            **Whole Class**