



MANEY HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Maney Hill Newsletter

27<sup>th</sup> November 2015

## Dates for your diary

### December

- 3<sup>rd</sup> – whole school Theatre Trip
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Reception Christmas Production
- 8<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Lunch
- 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> – KS1 Production
- 11<sup>th</sup> – PTA Christmas Fayre
- 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> – KS2 Production
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Carol Concert
- 16<sup>th</sup> – PTA Discos
- 17<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Parties
- 18<sup>th</sup> – last day of term

### January

- 4<sup>th</sup> – Staff Training Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> – first day of Spring Term
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Y4 English Inspire
- 20<sup>th</sup> – Y3 English Inspire
- 26<sup>th</sup> – Y2 Class Assembly

### February

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Governor Visits Week
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Y5 Maths Inspire
- w/b 8<sup>th</sup> – Parents' Evenings
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – Y5 English Inspire

### March

- 9<sup>th</sup> – Y1 Maths Inspire
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Reception R Inspire
- 17<sup>th</sup> – Y3 Class Assembly
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – Reception H Inspire
- 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
- 21<sup>st</sup> – English Inspire
- 26<sup>th</sup> – Y4 Maths Inspire

### May

- 4<sup>th</sup> – Y3 Maths Inspire
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Y1 Class Assembly
- 9<sup>th</sup> – SATs Week
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Reception R Class Assembly
- 27<sup>th</sup> – Staff Training Day

### June

- w/b 6<sup>th</sup> Provisional Sports Day

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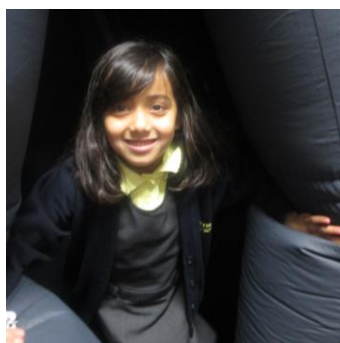
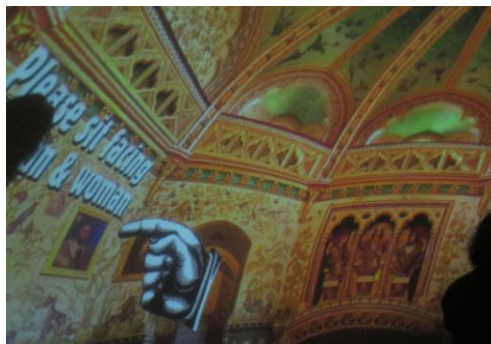
Dear Parents and Carers

It's been a lovely week in school. The children and staff have been working very hard. Christmas is a special time of year and we know parents and children very much enjoy the Christmas Productions. Thank you to our excellent class teachers who have managed to keep the children focussed on learning whilst fitting in rehearsals. Thank you also to our super teaching assistants who have been organising small groups making our Christmas Hoops. In addition, Mr Wigley found time to take the Year 5 and 6 Athletics Team to a competition, Mr McNicholas took the Year 3 and 4 Multi-skills team to a tournament and Miss Roth organised a Reception, Year1 and Year 2 Space Day!

Mrs Whitehead



## A visit from The Planetarium!



On Monday morning **The Planetarium** landed in the Hall. What a super time Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children had, learning about the planets and outer space. Thank you to **Miss Roth** for organising it.

## Bad Weather

Last weekend the weather turned noticeably more wintry. Our aim is always to keep school open. However, should we need to close school then we will notify parents as early as possible through the following ways:

Our website

[www.maneyhill.bham.sch.uk](http://www.maneyhill.bham.sch.uk)

HEART FM

Radio WM

Free Radio

Birmingham City Council

Website

## Theatre Trip

On **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** the whole school goes to the theatre. The teachers will be taking class registers at 8.45am so **please make sure your child is in school by 8.45am at the latest, preferably by 8.30am.** Refreshments will be provided by school.

## Year 5 and 6 Indoor Athletics Competition

On Wednesday night children from Year 5 and 6 went to Arthur Terry School to take part in a Sports- hall athletics competition. Eight schools were taking part in a range of activities including sprint and long distance relays, throwing and jumping events. After a hectic evening of action packed events, the final scores were revealed with Maney finishing in a creditable 4<sup>th</sup> position overall. Well done to Tess, Charlotte, Sophie, Caitlin, Poppy, Darcey, Summer, Tom, Ben, Lewis, Archie, Alastair, Shailan and James in Year 6, and Amaya, Daisy and Tom in Year 5 who all competed with skill, determination and excellent sportsmanship throughout the evening. Thank you to all that came along to support the team on what is always a lengthy, but enjoyable event.

Mr Wigley



## Multi-skills Tournament

On Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November, Maney Hill had a multi-skills tournament for Year 3 & 4 at John Willmott school. The people who came were Hugo, Gregory, Lara and Poppy from Year 4 and Ben, Oscar, Oliver W, Sofia, Millie and Anna from Year 3. Here are some of the events we took part in: throwing and catching, jumping, sprinting and egg and spoon. Maney Hill came 8<sup>th</sup> with 406 points but it was very close as we were only 10 points off 4<sup>th</sup> place!

We would like to thank the parents for bringing us and Mr McNicholas for supporting us.

Gregory Rushton and Lara Ghazal



## Individual Photos & My School Printing

Orders for Individual School Photos and My School Printing

**MUST BE IN BY MONDAY 30<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER.**

## Staff News

After 21 years working as a Teaching Assistant at Maney Hill Primary School, sadly Mrs Coshan will be retiring at the end of term. Mrs Coshan will be missed by all but we wish her much future happiness. Mrs Kelly will be with Miss Tyrrell and the Year 5 class until July .



## Class of the Week

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



<b>Reception H</b>	<b>Jamie Ward</b> <b>Monica Spencer</b>
<b>Reception R</b>	<b>Weng Wo Chan</b> <b>Joshua Johnson</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Cayden Buttler</b> <b>May Geraghty</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Caleb Freeman</b> <b>Joshua Lawford</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Ben Richards</b> <b>Millie Ware</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Joel Carn</b> <b>Natasha Boyle</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Roshni Shinh</b> <b>Finn Thornley</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Caitlin Ralph</b> <b>Huzaifah Rashid</b>

# Alien Invasion at Maney Hill



This week has been very exciting in reception and KS1 so we wanted to show you what your children have been getting up to!

The children arrived in school on Monday to discover a strange crime scene in the Reception playground. A space ship had crash landed and leading into the classroom there were large, slimy footprints.

In the classroom there was a note explaining that Fred had been taken. All the children set out to investigate what could have happened and look for clues. They created wanted posters of the alien and space rockets to find Fred.

Even more exciting, the children in Reception and KS1 got to visit space. A large planetarium came to the hall and showed the children the stars, moon and lots of fantastic planets.

In the afternoon we even had a visit by the alien that had taken Fred. It looked green and friendly and not very scary. The alien left Fred and flew away in its rocket.

It was a brilliant day and all the children were enthusiastic to find out more about space. Some children would even like the alien to come back and visit again.