



Maney Hill Newsletter

30th September 2022

Dates for your diary *updates in red*

October

4th & 5th – Parents' Evening

19th – Reception Open Morning

20th & 21st – Special Merits

24th – half term week

November

1st – Reception Open Morning

25th – Christmas Hoops Up

30th – Reception Christmas

Production

December

tb- PTA Christmas Fair

6th & 7th – KS1 Christmas

Production

13th & 14th – Y5 & Y6

Christmas Production

tb- Y3 & Y4 Christmas Carol

Concert

15th & 16th – Special Merits

16th – last day of autumn term

January

3rd – first day of spring term

30th – School Council Eco Week

February

16th & 17th – Special Merits

20th – half term week

March

2nd – World Book Day

6th – 10th – Governor Visits

Week

29th – Easter Bonnets Parade

30th & 31st – Special Merits

31st – last day of spring term

April

1st – first day of summer term

Dear Parents and Carers

It's been an unusual week with a number of children and staff out of school. The Year 6 classes embarked on their residential week on Monday, leaving the Year 5s practising being 'top of the school'. Along with children and staff away on residential, we've seen an increase in illness, including some unwell and absent with Covid-19. Despite this, the show has gone on and we've had a number of additional events for the children to enjoy with many more to come this term. Next week is Parents' Evening and we look forward to sharing children's progress with parents. Mrs Whitehead

Harvest Collection

Following the success of last year, the School Council are delighted to be organising a **harvest collection** for **Birmingham City Mission** once again.

The charity works to bring practical help to the homeless, elderly and others in need within our city, an incredibly worthwhile cause. Linked to our **school value of responsibility**, projects such as these encourage the children at Maney Hill to become responsible, giving citizens with an awareness of the world around them.

We would welcome any donations of non-perishable food **during w/b 3rd October** before our School Councillors load up the Birmingham City Mission van. Donated items can be sent in with the children to be dropped at the collection point in front of the school office. Many thanks for your support.

Miss Sharma and the School Council



It's always good to get feedback on what we do at Maney Hill. Thank you very much to the parent who took the time to tell us about her child's experience at Bluebirds Summer Club and of course, thank you and well done to all our Bluebirds playleaders!

I wanted to take a moment to feedback to your management team how exceptional the BlueBirds summer holiday club was.

*My daughter **** has attended BlueBirds three evenings a week since she joined Maney Hill, and she has always enjoyed it.*

She attended one week of the holiday club this summer and loved it. In fact, of all the different private holiday clubs she has been to over the years, this has been her favourite. The broad variety of activities were great, and she loved the challenging art projects and the cooking especially.

In fact she enjoyed it so much we will time our holidays next summer so she can attend it for the full two weeks.

Huge thanks to the team who ran it this summer.

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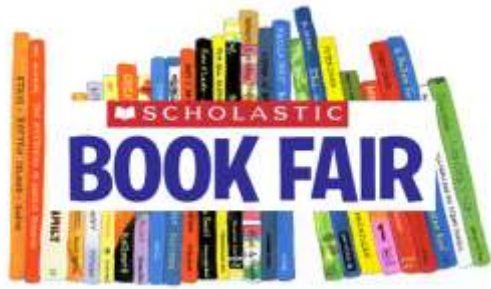
Headteacher:

Mrs S Whitehead BSc NPQH

Assistant Headteachers:

Mrs H Stonehill MA PGDipEd

Miss R Smithson BA PGDipEd



We invite you to explore the range of fantastic books available at our Autumn Term Book Fair. Any purchases will earn rewards for the school to buy new books for classrooms and the school library.

Where? School Hall

When? Monday 3rd October - Thursday 6th October

Time? 8.30 - 8.45 am & 3.20 – 3.45 pm

Payment? We will have no card machine so payments can be made in cash or online using the QR code displayed around the fair. Please note that you will need your card details to pay online.



PTA News

We are pleased to share that following the recent PTA AGM Maney Hill PTA now have a new committee.

Chair: **Manjit Aujla**
Vice Chair: **Sarah Speksnyder**
Treasurer: **Jemini Asthana Patel**
Secretary: **Anita Baranyi**
Committee Member: **Leanne Hancox**
Committee Member: **James Harrison**

The team are already enjoying working together and are busy behind the scenes getting into their new roles and hope to get some events organised soon. Please keep an eye out for PTA news via the newsletters, the class WhatsApp groups and the PTA Facebook page.

A big thank you to **Susie Gohel, Clare Rumble, Rachael Parr** and **Susanne Fisher** for all their hard work over the last two years putting on some amazing fundraising events for the school.

If you'd like to get involved to help or have any queries please contact the PTA via maneyhillpta@hotmail.com or speak to a member of the Committee.

Merit Awards

- 1P **Annabelle Cresswell & Oliver Perera**
- 1H **Aria Hancox & Rayaan Rowlands**
- 2GB **Renae Gilkes & Oliver King**
- 2R **Fahad Rahman & Eloisa Whiley**
- 3L **Martha Hodgkiss & Elodie Lennon**
- 3M **Harshita Raj & Thomas Winfield**
- 4B **Evan Chung & Max Irvine**
- 4W **Jude Patrick & Jasmin Kaur**
- 5G **Ariadne Carpenter & Louis Johnson**
- 5S **Sujay Rusikumar & Freya Dempster**

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancies

We currently have two vacancies to join our excellent team of lunchtime supervisors.

The roles fit very well with those who enjoy working with children and would like to work for a few hours during the school day. If you are interested, please contact the school office for an application form.

Next week's

Lunchtime Top Classes

1H & 5G

We have a number of children in school with severe food allergies.

Please do not send into school any foods containing nuts. This includes snacks for morning break and lunch boxes.

Thank you for helping to keep everyone safe.



2R Parents' Workshop

Thank you to everyone who came along to 2R's Parents' Workshop on Tuesday morning.



Mad Science Assembly

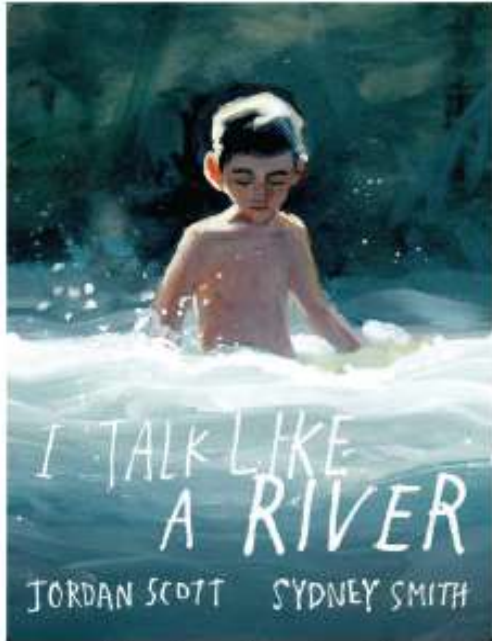
The children enjoyed a visit from *Mad Science* in assembly on Thursday morning and were very excited to get involved in a range of fun and interesting science experiments.

Cross-country

Well done to the KS2 cross country runners who raced at Bishop Vesey School on Wednesday evening.

The Year 4s and 5s put in a great effort to step up whilst the Year 6s are on residential and were very supportive of each other.

Miss Bull



In 3L we have been reading

I Talk Like A River

This is a wonderful book all about a young boy who has a stutter.

The book introduces us to his feelings about speaking in class, and how his father helps him overcome his worries.

It is written in a poetic style, which imitates his stutter, and it's a great way to explain to children how others may feel, and that we are all unique.

Sienna ★★★★★

I like the book because I like that it is a poem. I also like that it shows the alphabet and different words for each letter. I like that the poem shows how he speaks.

Aadesh ★★★★★

I think the book is nice because I like the part that says 'I talk like a river' because it made it clear how he spoke. I would recommend it to people at any age.

Ruby ★★★★★

I would read this book again.

Jade ★★★★★

I would love to read the book again because it is a very interesting book. It's a very nice book to read. I would recommend this book to friends and family.

Hugo ★★★★★

I like the book because it is relaxing. I really like the characters.

