

## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

6<sup>th</sup> December 2011

Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance - Week ending Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 December:

| KS1             |            | KS2             |            |
|-----------------|------------|-----------------|------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | 1K (97.2%) | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 4K (99.3%) |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 1A (96.2%) | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3M (99.2%) |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 2M (94.4%) | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 5B (99%)   |

A big well done to these classes.

TEN classes got 95% or over: 1A, 1K, 3H, 3K, 3M, 4G, 4K, 4V, 5B and 6H.

### The School Day:

Manford has started its school day for many years at 8.55 am and has finished at 3.10 pm. In an attempt to try to make this easier for all children and families to remember - **we will be starting the school day and the bell will be ringing at 9.00 am on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012 and finishing at 3.15 pm.** Please try to arrive at school at 8.50 in the playground, ready to line up at 9.00 when the bell rings.

If there are any objections to this very slight altering of the school day, please write in to the school office by next Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

### Family Numeracy:

A big well done to all of the parents who have regularly attended our Family Numeracy classes this term. They have been a great success and all parents have stated that they now feel more able to support their child(ren's) learning at home. Most of the parents joined in with our 'Celebration Assembly' last Friday to receive their certificates.

### Christmas Bazaar:

Please remember it is our Christmas Bazaar **this Thursday (8<sup>th</sup>) after school 3.15 - 5.30 p.m.** Please continue to send in items for the tombola and cakes on Thursday morning. Thank you!  
 Hope to see you there!

### Christmas Dates:

Please find overleaf a list of events for December.

### Family Literacy:

We are pleased to inform you that a new family literacy course will start on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2012 for parents of pupils in Reception and Year One classes. The course will run for 12 weeks and a free crèche will be provided for pre-school children. Look out for further details next week.

### Christmas Boxes:

A big thank you to everyone who has sent in a shoe box for the 'Operation Christmas Child' appeal. The deadline for sending in boxes has been extended to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December, so if you still have a box at home please send it in.



Miss T Jacobs  
Headteacher.

## Events in December 2011

- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>      11.00 KS1 Dress rehearsal to Y3 and Early Years  
1.45 Tea/coffee and mince pies prior to the  
Reception sing-a-long to parents (and Y5/6 pupils),  
which starts at **2.15 p.m.**
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>      11.00 KS1 concert to parents  
3.15 PTA Christmas Bazaar
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup>      11.30 Nursery sing-a-long to parents (and siblings)  
4G and 4V trip to Tower of London  
2.00 KS1 concert to parents
- Monday 12<sup>th</sup>      12.00 - 2.30 Nursery and Reception Christmas party
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>      2.00 Y6 Carol singing @ Kielder Close Day Centre
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>    a.m. Christmas Carol concert at St Paul's Church  
a.m. Y6 visit to Hainault Forest High School (WW2  
art lesson)  
p.m. Y3/4 Christmas party  
1.45 Y6 Carol singing at Pinewood Old Peoples Home  
3.15 Y6 Maths workshop for parents
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>    a.m. Y4 Tudor Banquet  
p.m. Y5/6 Christmas party  
p.m. KS1 Christmas party
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup>      Last Y5 (5B) swimming

**Break up at 2.00 p.m. for Christmas Holidays**

(School begins at 9.00 a.m. on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012. See you at  
8.50 a.m. in the playground!)