Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

8th September 2017



Hello everyone and a very warm welcome back to school. It has been lovely to meet many of you on the school gate in the mornings. Please do come and say hello!

This week we have spent a lot of time reflecting on our new school rules:

Be Safe - Show Respect - Engage

Each of these rules carries a simple message about how we want our school community to be. Please talk to your children about these rules.

Next week there are important opportunities for you to meet the staff who are working with your child. This will also be a chance to introduce staff who are new to Hannah More. Times and days of these meetings are in this newsletter - we look forward to seeing many of you there!

We have been delighted to welcome four students from Bristol University this week as well as a new exchange student in Year 1 and some of our lovely regular volunteers. Please say hello to them if you see them around school.

Next week some of Year 6 are off on camp. What a whirlwind start to the year! I know Mr Schoner will send us lots of news about what they are up to, so keep an eye on twitter and on the school website for all the latest news.

Best wishes,

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher



Please come and find out about your child's new class on Tuesday 12 September at 3.30 or 3.50. These meetings will be repeated on Thursday 14 at 5.30

Find out about learning, class expectations, PE days and more!



Year 1: Abubakr and Lul

Year 2: Abdullahi and Abdullahi

Year 3: Osman and Yusuf

Year 4: Anta and Sudais

Year 5: Zaynab and I-Zaiah

Year 6: Sabir and Abdi

Activities for parents and families - September 2017

Tuesday 9.00-11.30 Nurturing Programme Parenting course - register 26 September

Tuesday 9.15-11.15 Mums' drama group - starts Tuesday 12 September

Wednesday 9.00-10.00 Conversation Club - Improve your spoken English. Starts 13 September

Thursday 9.15-11.15 Sewing - register on 21 September. 10-week course. Cost £8 for materials

Friday 9.30-10.30 Mums' fitness fun. Starting with netball on 22 September. All welcome.

Do you have a child coming to school this year? Workshops for Reception parents running every morning and afternoon from 18 - 22 September!



Hannah More Family Swims!

Next swim - Saturday 9 September. 2018 dates are April 28, May 12, June 9 and 23, July 7.

Enjoy a swim for only £1 per person!

Hannah More's Breakfast club is open every morning from 8.00-8.30. Parents are welcome as well - and it's free!





Help us raise money here at school!

The Hub is open on Mondays after school. Come and read with your child!



Mums' drama group - create a play and then perform it next Spring! All welcome. Fun is guaranteed.

Tuesday mornings from 12 September

Reminder: your child needs P.E. kit for school!

P.E. Kit for boys and girls is:

- T-shirt in your child's house colour
- Navy blue shorts, black leggings, or navy blue or black tracksuit bottoms
- Daps, plimsolls or trainers
- Sweatshirt or jumper if needed

You can buy school uniform and P.E. kit from the office any day between 10.00 and 2.00.

P.E. days are:

Year 1 - Tuesday Year 4 - Wednesday

Year 2 - Monday Year 5 - Thursday

Year 3 - Tuesday Year 6 - Friday



Year 5 - remember you are swimming this term!



SCHOOL TERM DATES

Term 1 Wednesday 6 September - Friday 20 October

Term 2 Tuesday 31 October -Friday 15 December

Term 3 Tuesday 2 January - Friday 9 February

Term 4 Monday 19 February - 23 March

Term 5 Monday 9 April - Friday 25 May

Term 6 Monday 4 June - Tuesday 24 July

Other Important Dates

Tuesday 10 October - Open Morning

Wednesday 18 October — Year 2 Performance

Monday 6 November — Bonfire Night Event

Tues 14 & Thurs 16 November — Learning Review Meetings

Wednesday 13 December — Reception Performance

Thursday 14 December — Year 4 Performance

What have been learning?

Year 1

We've had a fantastic start to the year. We shared all the fun and exciting things we did during the summer holidays and even had a chance to write about them. We also thought about how to keep ourselves safe, engaged and respectful around the school.

Year 2

It has been a gold standard start to the term! We thought about our school rules and how we can take responsibility this year. We want to be safe, show respect and be engaged with our learning! At home, help your children get back off to a great start in this new school year by reading with them daily.

Year 4

This week we took part in a range of different games to get used to our new classrooms and new teachers and LSAs. Miss Davis and Mrs Irfan are really proud of the way Year 4 have settled back into school life. Keep it up! At home, please support your child to practise their handwriting at home.

Year 6

We have all been getting to know our new teachers, adjusting to our new classrooms and exploring our new Zone 6! We have just started our novel for the term, Wolf Wilder, and have been unpicking the setting and opening. We also invented new games to play outside, building our team work skills and mixing as a whole year group. At home, please write a number (up to 1 million!) and asking your child what each digit represents!

Year 3

This week we were busy busy! We learned about each other and our new teachers through lots of games. We wrote a story to show off our writing skills. We also supported each other to use the climbing frame in gymnastics. We're really looking forward to the year ahead! Please continue to read with children at home and help them to practise their 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Year 5

This week we have been getting to know our new teachers, adjusting to our old classrooms (but with a new set up!) and learning the new routines and expectations of the year group. We have already shown teachers our new 'gold standard' behaviour, and are now starting to learn about our new topic; The Vikings! AT home please practise your 3, 4 and 6 times tables as a refresher! Encourage your child to read all different forms of word at home.

