

# Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

**7 April 2017**



Hello everyone

I was very proud this morning to say thank you to a group of dads who are supporting reading. They have worked with Year 3 boys to develop excellent reading habits. We are very grateful to them! Next term they will continue to help with reading and they will also devise some stories to perform in school.

Mums have also been busy this term! As well as attending lots of different courses, a group of mums organised a fantastic fundraising event last Friday, to support famine victims in Somalia. There was a film in the sports hall and lots of food on sale. They raised an amazing **£600!**

We said goodbye to Mrs Sessions this week as she starts her maternity leave. We look forward to hearing news of her baby! She has been very busy in school, not just teaching Year 2 BFG but also leading literacy across the school (look out for the latest edition of 'More Hannah More' which she has organised with the newspaper club members!).

Next term we will welcome Katherine Holley who is joining the school office team. I am sure she will settle into her new role very quickly.

I hope you have a good break over the holiday. If you are joining one of our family trips I hope you have lots of fun. We shall see everyone back at school on **Monday 24th April.**

Best wishes  
Sue Ramsay,  
Headteacher.



Our Dads' reading group collecting certificates in assembly this morning.

**Please note: school will be closed on Thursday 4th May, due to elections**

## This term's **LEARNING CHAMPIONS!**



Reception: Mahamed and Dominic

Year 1: Aiyana and Ashley

Year 2: Yusuf and Mohamed A

Year 3: Sakariye and Nawal

Year 4: Khalid and Abdulmajid

Year 5: Thanakorn and Hamza

Year 6: Kadion and Jake

# The Nurturing Programme

"No-one judged anyone and everyone was listened to and respected"

"The household is a lot calmer"



"I have more confidence as a parent"

"We are having less family arguments"

## How to get the best out of family life

- Understand why children behave as they do
- Recognise the feelings behind behaviour (ours and theirs)
- Explore different approaches to discipline
- Develop co-operation and self-discipline in children
- Remembering to look after yourself as a parent!

**Free 10 week programme, free crèche and refreshments**

**at Easton Families, Beaufort Street, Easton, BS5 0SQ**

Family

Links

**Tuesdays 12:30 - 2:30 from 25th April**

**Speak to Samira or Ruth at Hannah More to book**

## DADS' GROUP

Each week a group of dads get together to help boys with reading. They have watched and learnt from teachers and know how to engage children with reading. They are also working with ACTA community theatre to collect stories from around the world. After the holiday they will be meeting on Fridays. Why not come along to find out more?





Would you like to try Yoga?

28 April, 12, 19, 26 May. 9.30–10.30  
for Hannah More mums!



**It's back! Hannah More**

**Family Swim!** Saturdays 29 April,  
13 May, 10 June, 1 July 6-7pm at  
Easton pool. Full details available  
from the office or at any of our parent  
groups. Tickets for our first swim are  
on sale from Monday 24 April.

*Enjoy a swim for  
only £1 per person!*



Hannah More mums' drama  
group will be performing at the  
acta theatre in May! Tuesday 23  
and Wednesday 24 May at 7pm.  
Watch this space!

[www.acta-bristol.com](http://www.acta-bristol.com)

***Stay and Play after school!***

Build fires... be active ... climb and  
swing ... outdoor crafts ...

Come along with an adult for some fun!

**Wednesdays from 3rd May**



# What have we learnt this week?

**Reception classes ...** On Tuesday we created an explosion!! We added minty sweets to a bottle of soda to see what would happen. Soda shot out of the top of the bottle. It reminded us of a rocket blasting off. We have also been learning to recognise and complete repeated patterns. At home, please create some repeated patterns with your child. For example, you could use apples and oranges to create the pattern 'orange, apple, orange, apple'. Please use bug club and practise reading with your child as well.

**Year 1 ...** This week we had a great time performing 'The Litter Muncher.' We also wrote our own version of Farmer Duck. Children included a variety of punctuation in their sentences including speech marks! In maths we were busy trying to work out mental maths questions. Please make sure you read with your child every day during the holidays.

**Year 2...** This week, Year 2s wrote their own version of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. We included a variety of punctuation in our sentences including question marks and full stops. In maths we learned to read scales. At home, please test your child on their times tables and practise doubling and halving numbers.

**Year 3 ...** This week we wrote our own 'rags to riches' stories. We thought carefully about using adjectives to describe things. In maths, we practiced all the skills we have learnt over the term. We also started to learn songs for our year group performance next term! You can help at home by practising times tables and helping your child to learn their lines for the performance.

**Year 4 ...** This week, Year 4 were lucky to have some firemen come in and read them stories! In Maths we revised time and in Literacy we wrote poems about walking with an animal. This week we also enjoyed creating some art work to represent the water cycle, in the style of artist Georgia O'Keefe, which we presented to Year 1 classes. . Please test your child on telling the time using different clocks.

**Year 5...** This week we enjoyed planning, creating and evaluating some savoury muffins! This was part of our RE work on 'giving to other's and also our DT work on 'cooking for the community'. We learned lots about how Sikhs and Muslims give to others and focused on how these people inspire us to think of ways we can give to our communities. In literacy, we wrote a mystery story! At home, please support your child to revise the names of 2D and 3D shapes ready for maths next term!

**Year 6 ...** In literacy this week, we wrote the second half of a story about a magic hat. In maths, we revised fraction calculations. We also conducted our final round of practice tests before the SATs next month. We are really proud of the progress Year 6 have made this term. At home, please encourage your child to complete 15 minutes of their revision pack per day plus 15 minutes of silent reading every day.