

# Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

8th July 2016

Happy Friday everyone

It has been an unusual week at Hannah More. With school closed on Tuesday and many of you celebrating Eid it has felt very quiet.

On Tuesday the teachers went on strike because they are angry about the cuts the Government has made to education. Hannah More, like many schools, has been directly affected by these cuts. In the newsletter this week I have listed the staff who will be leaving the school this year. We will replace very few of them because we simply don't have the budget to sustain the level of staffing we have become used to. We are lucky that the team are so committed and hard-working and will make sure we continue to offer a high-quality service.

Have you noticed the wonderful banners at the front and back of the school? We need more people to know what a great school Hannah More is so we are shouting it out from our walls and railings. Our twitter feed and our website also tell the world about what happens in our amazing school – please make sure you look at them and share with family and friends.

Have a good weekend and I hope to see some of you at swimming tomorrow!

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher

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Do you have a child coming to Reception in September? Please come and spend some time in the classroom, to get to know the adults and play with some of the current Reception children!

**We hope to see you on  
Wednesday 13 July 1:30-2:30**

When you visit, you can also buy tickets for our special bus trip for new families!

## Dinner Money....

If you owe dinner money please pay it by **Thursday 21 July**. Use the post box outside the office during busy times. Remember to write your child's name and class on the envelope.



## This week's SUPERKIDS!



Reception: Vega and Hussein

Year 1: Divora and Tyran

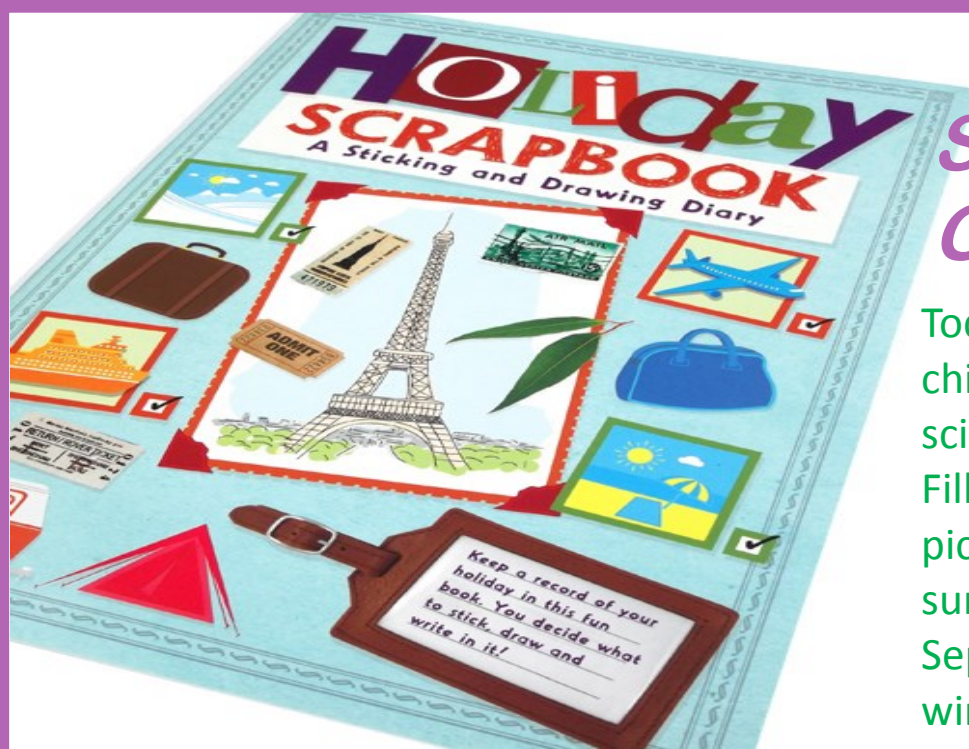
Year 2: Sumaya and Katra

Year 3: Iziah and Hanna

Year 4: Abdullahi and Kevin

Year 5: Sumaya and Kadion

Year 6: Abdirahman and Ramla



## SUMMER SCRAPBOOK CHALLENGE!

Today we have given children a scrapbook, scissors, glue and a pencil. Fill your book with news and pictures about your summer! Bring it back in September and you could win a prize!

# SUMMER TRIPS



25 July - Scrapstore craft workshop

3 August - Blaise Castle

4 August - Bike ride to At-Bristol

10 August - Windmill Hill City Farm

30 August - Ferry trip to M-shed

2 Sept - Open top bus trip (for new Reception families!).

**Join us for some family trips! Full details on the website, or ask at the office. Tickets on sale now!**

*Rosemary Nursery also have trips for families with under 5s. Contact them for info.*



**We are sorry to be saying goodbye to so many staff this term but we wish everyone all the very best for their onward journeys!**

**Mrs Broster** has worked at Hannah More for 8 years. She has worked in Year 1, 2 and 3 and taught lots of children. She has often worked part time and has been a fabulous job-share partner for lots of other teachers. Mrs Broster is looking for a change of scene and a chance to work in a variety of different schools on a supply basis.

**Ms Albery** came to Hannah More as a newly qualified teacher in 2012. In her four years she has become the leader of the Reception team, developed the outdoor area and been a school governor. She has also introduced Arts Week to Hannah More. Ms Albery is moving to a school in Essex where she has secured promotion as the head of Early Years in a school with nursery and reception class.

**Mrs Kyte** has worked at Hannah More since 2012, teaching in Year 5 and Year 2 before having her second baby. She will be missed as the leader of our wonderful learning resource base 'The Hub'. Mrs Kyte will be relocating to Cornwall where she comes from. She has a job teaching Year 2 and leading ICT in a school in Falmouth.

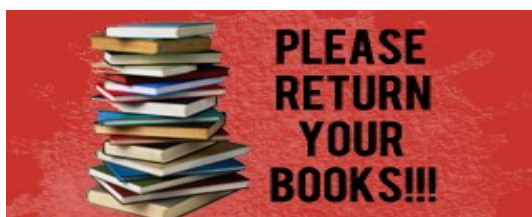
**Mr Hardy** has been at Hannah More for 3 years. He has run the nurture room and worked with lots of children and families to improve behaviour and confidence. He has also been a great advocate for football in the school and, with Ms Stevens, has contributed to the enormous success of the team in winning the league. Mr Hardy will be moving to Filton Avenue Primary where he will lead a specialist resource base for children with social and emotional difficulties.

**Ms Low** came to Hannah More as newly qualified teacher. She has exciting plans to travel around the world next year, so she is having a rest from teaching. We will miss her kindness, her warm smiles and her friendly face.

**Joanna** came to us half way through this year to support a child in Year 6. She fitted in quickly and made the tricky last few months of year 6 something achievable. Joanna will be working at Holy Cross school next year as a classroom LSA. She will be able to use her Polish language skills to support some children in the Reception class.

**Tamzin** has worked in Reception to support a group of children. She has helped them to settle into the routine of school life and make great progress. Tamzin will be moving to Colston's Primary to do a similar role there.

**Charmaine** has been the friendly face of the office for the past two years, helping the busy office to run efficiently and welcoming many visitors. Charmaine has enjoyed working in a school so much that she has decided to move out of the office and into the classroom! She will be moving to Merchants Academy in Withywood to work as an LSA in a KS1 class.



**Please return all books to school by 9th July!**

# This week's learning ...

**Reception classes ...** This week we learnt about how different people celebrate Eid. We learnt about different cultures and tradition, and the different types of celebrations that happen around the world. **Please help at home by practising the sounds and words we have learnt this year.**

**Year 1 ...** This week was a fun week for everyone in Gruffalo class. We developed our measuring and cooking skills by making our very own pasta salad! **At home, please read with your child every night, and ask them questions about the story. Please also talk about measurement in different places; like cooking and when shopping.**

**Year 2...** This week Year 2 learned about different special times. We acted out the story 'The Magic Brush' and worked on our mental maths skills. **Please ask your child to tell you about Isambard Kingdom Brunel. This will help with your homework.**

**Year 3 ...** This week we created an Egyptian landscape with watercolours, wrote instructions on mummification and carried out an investigation using Egyptian numbers. **At home, please read with your child and make sure they are answering a range of questions.**

**Year 4 ...** We used our noticing skills and measuring skills to create precise geometrical patterns. We learnt about Archimedes, an Ancient Greek mathematician and we experimented with placing objects in water to measure capacity. We continued to study Greek myths in Literacy. We also created some art using finger painting to represent friendship, hope, peace, and nature. **You can help at home by asking your child to re-tell a Greek myth to you.**

**Year 5...** In maths this week, we completed an assessment of our learning from the year and we learnt about Roman numerals. In literacy, we learnt about modal verbs and when they are used in stories. We enjoyed our topic lessons this week where we looked at the regeneration of the Bristol Docks and then produced a TV advert persuading people to come and visit our city. Keep your eye on our class blogs to see these. **At home, please ask your child about the changes that have happened to the harbour and the positives they bring to the people who live in Bristol.**

**Year 6 ...** This week we enjoyed an open top bus tour around Bristol! Thank you to our business friends Deloitte who funded this trip and sent some volunteers along too. We learnt lots of new information about the history behind some of Bristol's important landmarks. Year 6 have created some Islamic Art designs during the Eid celebration days and ended the week with an Eid party! **Please help at home by encouraging children to practise their lines for the leavers' performance and help them to put together a costume to fit their role.**

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