

# Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

## 10th March 2023



Hello

There have been lots of exciting things happening in school this week. Year 6 spent the day in the hall with a man dressed as an ancient Greek. Every time I walked through, they seemed to be having a great time. Year 3 went to the Roman baths and I was really impressed today when they brought their Hannah More Chronicles of extraordinary experiences to show me. They talked about their learning with such enthusiasm. When I went into Year 2 this week, they were learning about the difference between steerage and first class on the SS Great Britain. The children were excited to talk about their experience when they went to the ship. All of the trips and experiences that our children have bring learning to life!

I am sorry that we have had to take the decision to close the whole school next Wednesday and Thursday. It has been hard to keep classes open during the two strike days so far. One teacher has been teaching two classes and I have been covering in Year 6. Last time, we had to close Reception at the last minute due to last minute decisions in other schools. The impact on staffing comes from the schools of staffs' children closing, as much it does our own teachers striking. I am grateful for your understanding.

Last year children had an extended day during Term 6, during which all children could choose exciting extra-curricular opportunities from 2.45 until 3.45. We will be doing this in Term 5 and 6 this year. Staff are currently deciding which clubs they will run and children will choose what they want to do before the end of the term. This will be every Monday in Term 5 and 6. Every Monday children will stay in school until 3.45. More information will be sent out in the coming weeks.

This week, we have been talking about feeling proud. Ask your child what they are most proud of this week. We have certainly been proud of them. I hope that you all have a restful weekend and we will look forward to seeing everyone next week.

Mr Hawkins

**STRIKE  
DAYS**  
**Weds 15 March**  
**Thurs 16 March**  
**ALL classes  
closed**

**NO** parent  
workshops on  
Wednesday or  
Thursday next  
week (closed for  
the strike days)

# SUPERKIDS!

Lavender: Renico

Year 1: Bader

Year 2: Junaid

Year 3: Alberto and Adam

Year 4: Yusuf J

Year 5: Rehan and Hamse

Year 6: Dominic and Dami



# LAVENDER

As mathematicians we learnt about fractions. As writers we created our own fairytales. At home, cut sandwiches/pizza/cakes/ biscuits etc. into halves, quarters, thirds and fifths. Take one part and ask your child 'what is the fraction?' Ask your child which fraction is bigger. Remind them that the bigger denominator (number on the bottom), the smaller the fraction is.

## YEAR 1

This week we practised writing stories. We wrote a story we know (The Last Tree) and made up our own! It was hard but the children were very resilient! Well done everyone! In maths we learnt about numbers to 50. We started to learn to partition. Ask your child how many tens in numbers to 50. E.g. how many tens are there in 20, in 30, in 42, in 18 etc. As always, keep reading with your child!

## YEAR 2

This week Year 2 delved deeper into our book Zeraffa Giraffa. The children wrote their own journey story and thought about their presentation. In maths, we compared mass. We also studied Brunel and his achievements and enjoyed learning facts about the famous engineer. Please practise the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables. Read every day and ask questions about the book.

## YEAR 3

Year 3 kicked off the week with an exciting visit to the Roman Baths - check out the photos on Twitter! We also wrote terrific stories, pretending to be Apollo - a Roman slave sent to work on a farm. Please read with your child 5 times a week. Learn the 3, 4 and 8 times table facts out of order. Practise joined-up handwriting.

## YEAR 4

As mathematicians, we compared fractions with the same numerator or same denominator as well as adding and subtracting fractions. As authors, we published our new stories and began exploring the story of Libba and its historical context of segregation in the United States. In our enquiry, we learnt about volume, amplitude and decibels, conducting an experiment to explore how volume changes as sound travels. Ask your child to estimate decibel levels of various sounds around the home.

## YEAR 5

This week we had another exciting visit from Carlotta - our Travelling Light Practitioner. We wrote some fantastic endings in our story 'The Explorer'. As mathematicians, children worked on decimals and rounded them to different numbers. We learnt about Christopher Columbus as historians. At home, help your child with their homework and spellings ready for our Monday test. Practise your times tables.

## YEAR 6

It's been another exciting week in Year 6 with the visit of a man all the way from Ancient Greece! He told us all about the Greek language, customs and warfare. We even got to form a 'phalanx' with swords and shields! At home, help your child with their homework and spellings ready for our Thursday tests. Practise times tables. Importantly, reading 10 minutes daily is the best way for your child to improve their reading fluency.

# COMING UP THIS TERM...

- **Strike Days** - more details to follow  
Wednesday 15 & Thursday 16 March
- **Red Nose Day** - more details to follow!  
Friday 17 March
- **Learning Review Meetings**  
In week 5 (20 - 24 March)
- **Celebration Assembly**  
Every Friday! 9am-9:30am

## Easter Holiday Sports Days

forms went home  
today for children in  
Years 1-6

**INSET Day:**  
**Monday 17th April.**  
School will be closed  
for children.

## packed lunches for school trips

The school provides free packed lunches for children who are on Pupil Premium only. If your child is in KS1, they are entitled to free meals at school but not for school trips. If your child is going on a trip and you are not on Pupil Premium, please make sure they bring a packed lunch with them. If you are unsure, please check with the teacher or office.



# RED NOSE DAY!

FRIDAY 17 MARCH 2023

Non-uniform day

Donations welcome

Red noses available  
to buy

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NOSE  
DAY

## PHOTOS FROM THIS WEEK!

YEAR 3 TRIP TO THE ROMAN BATHS!





# MONDAYS



## MOVE TOGETHER YOGA

Monday mornings 9am - 10am (term time only)

**IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM - WOMEN ONLY - IT'S FREE!**

**CRECHE AVAILABLE FOR PRESCHOOL CHILDREN**

A fun, social session that uses simple Yoga poses to strengthen the body and quiet the mind.

No experience required, wear comfortable clothes.

Don't forget to bring some water!

# TUESDAYS

## SEWING WORKSHOPS

TUESDAY MORNINGS 9AM-11AM

STARTING 21 FEBRUARY IN COMMUNITY ROOM

After half term: weekly sewing course - you will need to attend every week, fill an enrolment form and provide ID. Find out about 'next steps' and improve your English if you need to. The course is for people who do not have a (UK) level 2 qualification.

**ALL WELCOME!**

**MUST SIGN UP BEFORE 21 FEBRUARY**

**FREE COURSE!**

**GET A CERTIFICATE WHEN YOU FINISH**

**If you are Interested contact**

**[friendsofhannahmore@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofhannahmore@gmail.com)**

**or speak to Sarah Franke at school**



**WORKSHOP  
NOW FULL!**





# ESOL CONVERSATION CLUB

**TUESDAYS  
2PM-3PM**

**CRECHE  
AVAILABLE!**

**Do you want to practice speaking English?  
Come to an English Conversation Club.**

**CHANGE  
OF TIME!**

Ma doonaysaa in aad luqadda Ingiriisiga si  
fiican ugu hadasho?  
Kaalay oo ka qaybqaado kulamo gaar ah  
oo loogu talagalay xoojinta ama  
horumarinta ku hadalka luqadda Ingiriisiga.

Czy chcesz ćwiczyć rozmowy w języku angielskim?

Przyłącz się do klubu konwersacyjnego

English Conversation Club.

کیا آپ انگریزی بولنے کی مشق کرنا چاہتے ہیں؟  
انگریزی بول چال کے کلب میں تشریف لائیں۔

Хочеш попрактикувати розмовну англійську?

Приєднуйся до англійського розмовного клубу English  
Conversation Club.

- Practise speaking English • Improve your confidence •
- Meet new people • Enjoy fun activities •

**FREE Speaking classes in Bristol | No need to enrol—just turn up!**



**COMMUNITY  
LEARNING**

www.esolcc.org or contact Aggie on:

✉ esolconversationclubs@bristol.gov.uk

☎ 07768500673

# WEDNESDAYS

## Mindful Me Time for Parents

**FREE TASTER WORKSHOPS!**

**Wednesdays 9:15 - 11:15**

**MORE SESSIONS ADDED: 22nd & 29th March**

These sessions look at how we deal with the stress and worry which comes from being a parent or carer. We can learn to notice what happens when we are stressed or worried, and how to keep calm when faced with difficulties.

Mindfulness for parents/carers supports us to:

- Feel more confident about being a parent
- Manage stress and frustration
- Talk to and listen to children



**FREE with childcare costs covered by school**

# THURSDAYS

## Craft and Chat!

**Thursdays 9am - 11am**



**Join us now for drop-in  
sessions!**

**Course starting 20 April - more details to follow**





# Free Theatre & Performance Workshops for Migrant Women



Are you a first-generation migrant?

Do you speak another language?

Want to meet new people?

Interested in sharing your personal stories and experiences?

Join us for **4 workshops** exploring identity and migration on  
Thursday mornings starting on **23rd February!**

🕒 **11am-1pm**

📍 **Docklands Community Centre**, 29 Brigstocke Rd, St Paul's,  
Bristol BS2 8UA  
(10 min walk from The Bearpit)

Refreshments provided & bus tickets reimbursed

For more information and access  
requirements, please email:  
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