

Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

24th January 2020



Hello everyone

Once again we have had lots of visitors in school helping us with our learning. Year 3 enjoyed working with volunteers from Turner and Townsend on Monday, Year 4 relished their art session on Wednesday, Reception enjoyed a story in Greek and English from a parent volunteer and lots of classes took part in special drama workshops with students from the Old Vic yesterday. The Friends of Hannah More committee also met this week; this is the organisation that helps us to fund a lot of courses for parents as well as holiday activities and family trips. You can find out more about the Friends' group on the website here: www.hannahmore.org.uk/our-community/parents

This week we have also spent time sorting and updating our school iPads, so they can more effectively support our learning.

Next week is SRE week so please make time to discuss what learning has been happening in your child's year group.

We are getting ready to celebrate Hannah More's birthday on Monday 3rd. I know some of you have already volunteered to help by bringing food to share. Thank you in advance for your support!

Best wishes,
Sue Ramsay, Headteacher



Term 3 Tuesday 7 January - Friday 14 February

Term 4 Monday 24 February - Friday 3 April

Term 5 Monday 20 April - Friday 22 May

Term 6 Monday 1 June - Friday 17 July



Reception: Sara and Tobias

Year 1: Noah and Darcy

Year 2: Amahra and Matteo

Year 3: Sireen and Ella-Mae

Year 4: Muhamed M and Tegan

Year 5: Ridwan and Yonis

Year 6: Nawal and Amal

Farm 45

You may have noticed the little patch of fenced land on our school field, beyond the ball court. This area is being looked after by some business neighbours from Cookpad who are interested in a sustainable agriculture method called Synecoculture. Ours is one of 6 experimental farms around the world! The others are in Burkina Faso, Spain, Italy, Indonesia and Japan.

Find out more here www.farm45.io/ and you can see pictures of all the farms on Instagram www.instagram.com/farm.45/ The team are currently thinking about what to plant in Spring.



Alicante, Spain



Kanagawa, Japan



Bristol, UK



Trecastagni, Italy



Mahadaga, Burkina Faso



Bogor, Indonesia

EAST BRISTOL SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES SHORTFALL OPEN PUBLIC MEETING

From 2021 onwards there will not be enough secondary school places in East Bristol to meet demand.

Find out about the new secondary school being proposed to address this issue and why it matters to everyone in East Bristol.

**Wednesday 5 February
7.00 - 8.30pm**

**Redfield Educate Together Primary School
Avonvale Rd, BS5 9RH**

Organised by BS5 Secondary Forum (local parents' group),
presenters include:

Jenny Grinstead
Cllr Anna Keen
Square Bay

Ally Eynon

BS5 Secondary Education Forum
BCC Cabinet Member for Education
Developer of the Silverthorne Lane
Oasis Secondary site
Oasis Temple Quarter Secondary School

Followed by an opportunity for discussion and questions.

For more information visit the BS5 Secondary Forum Facebook group:
www.facebook.com/BS5secondaryeducationforum

Happy Birthday Hannah More!

On Monday 3 February we will celebrate Hannah More's birthday. Children will learn about the history of our school and about who Hannah More was.



After

Please bring in some food to share. We need:

- Savoury food from different countries**



We have cheap tickets for **We The Curious**, Bristol's super science centre - £3 per person. Available from the office. *Please note, these tickets are just for Hannah More families.*



Mums' netball Mondays 1.30-3.00. All Hannah More mums welcome. No crèche but we may be able to cover childcare costs.



We have a wonderful coach (Maggy) who

Wednesdays 9.00 -10.00

Conversation Club

ESOL group - improve your speaking and your understanding. Drop in, beginners welcome, free crèche.

This week's LEARNING Reception

The gingerbread man escaped from Reception this week! We had postcards from him on his adventures and learnt about the places he ran to. We haven't caught him yet – can you look out for him? As mathematicians we have been practising finding the number that is 'one less'. **Give your child a few objects eg. fruit, toys, pencils (up to 5). Can they count them accurately? Can they tell you what one more and one less would be? Please add photos to ILD of places you have visited so we can share this with the class.**

Year 3

This week as mathematicians we have started a new topic all about fractions. We continued to read our story 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' and discovered wonderful Anglo-Saxons artefacts as historians. **At home, please practise dividing using the 3s, 4s, 6s and 8 times tables. .**

Year 5

We learnt to find common denominators to compare fractions as mathematicians and we will continue to add and subtract fractions more next week. As authors, we wrote a story about 4 children who got lost in space – the children used a balance of speech, action and description to move their stories forward. Our enquiry this week focused on how scientific ideas about the solar system have changed through time and moved from geocentric to heliocentric theories (ask your child about it!) **At home, ask your child who Ptolemy and Copernicus were.**

Practice on Timestables Rockstars over the weekend too.

Year 1

This week as mathematicians we learnt about how many tens and ones there are in numbers up to 50. As writers we began to write our own version of the story 'The Last Tree'. As Geographers we looked at and labelled an aerial map of Hannah More. **Ask your child to tell you about it! At home, please read every day. Practise counting to 50.**

Year 2

This week as writers we wrote and filmed our persuasive advert to sell 'Traction Man'. As scientists we went and explored the materials and joins in the park and the adventure zone. As mathematicians we continued to look at fractions including two and three quarters. **At home, please read every day. Practise your multiplication tables on Times Tables Rockstars. Make sure to practise your spellings at home for the test!**

Year 4

This week Year 4 wrote persuasive letters and began a maths topic on fractions. We had another exciting artist session where we worked with clay, as well as an acting workshop with Drama students from Old Vic. Play rehearsals are going well- don't forget to keep practicing your lines at home! At home, Practice times tables up to 12 x 12!



As mathematicians, we showed that we are experts at converting between fractions, decimals and percentages! We used some beautifully descriptive language on Wednesday and Thursday as authors and as scientists we planned and carried out our own experiments: there were some exciting discoveries about light and shadows from our experiments – and great enthusiasm! **At home, ask your child what he/she did in their science experiment.**