

Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

22 September 2023



Hello everyone,

It has been another busy week, often challenged with windy and rainy weather. Year 2 – 6 all visited the Brick project at Newtown. The team took photos of the bricks and in the coming weeks you can go onto the website and find your child's brick. Despite the weather, we managed to get all of the classes there. The wall is well worth a visit.

<https://www.brickproject.co.uk/projects/newtown-brick-project>

There is a celebration event at the wall tomorrow between 3 and 5 if you are free. Everybody is welcome.

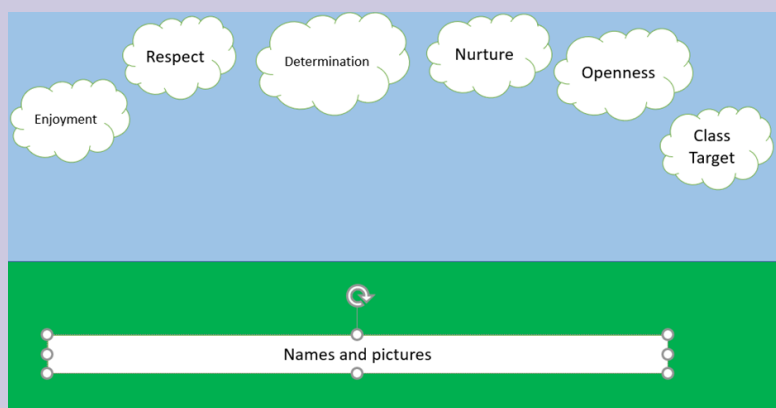
Despite only just starting this academic year, parents of children who will start Primary or Secondary school need to put their applications in. If you are a parent in year 6, we will hold an open evening to help guide you through the application process. If you - or anyone you know - have a child starting in Reception next year, please come to one of our open events. The dates are in the newsletter. We want to try and get Hannah More back to being a two-form entry school, so spread the word!

Secondary school place deadline – 31st October

Primary deadline – 15th January

You will have noticed some changes to the way that children can access the school. Previously, we had a lot of children coming into the building during lunchtimes. We have added door swipes to several doors to stop this. This measure has been taken to ensure that we can keep the children safe at all times. Hannah More is a big site and we are now able to control the movement around the school in a safer way. The children have adapted quickly and lunchtime supervisors have given me positive feed-back.

Several parents have been asking about the behaviour boards. We have replaced the behaviour boards with Recognition boards. The reason for this is to avoid shaming children when they get moved down on the board. This negative and very public act often caused children to feel anxious and impacted on learning. The recognition boards act like the silver and gold, recognising when children have displayed positive behaviours. You will also get Marvellous me alerts when you child does something special at school.



Consequence steps

Step 1: Warning!

Step 2: Time to talk to an adult on the playground at playtime.

Step 3: Time to talk to Mr Hawkins or Mrs Barbour during playtime.

Step 4: Time to talk with parents on the phone and then at school.

We have introduced consequence steps to make it clear for the children what happens if they are not following the school rules. The steps reset after break and then after lunch. If children are fighting, they will automatically go to step 4. I know that parents want to know if children are struggling with their behaviour in school. By working together, we can ensure that the behaviour at Hannah More is the best it can be.

We discussed the school's approach to British culture at our parent voice meeting last Monday. Several parents felt that we don't do enough to celebrate Christmas and sometimes shy away from talking about Christmas in the way that we do Eid. Everyone at the meeting agreed that we are proud to be a diverse school and we should recognise and celebrate all religious and cultural celebrations within our community.

Have a restful weekend with family and friends.

Mr Hawkins

YEAR 1

This week we thought about how we classify animals (e.g. reptiles, mammals, insects etc.) and also thought about the structure of a story using Tales Toolkit to identify character and setting. As mathematicians we counted forward and found one more. At home, please practise counting backwards and finding one less to help the children with their maths next week.

Year 2

This week Year 2 wrote fantastic character descriptions based on the book 'The Tin Forest'. As mathematicians we explored numbers to 100 and enjoyed counting in 10s. We also enjoyed making things from recycled materials. Please read with your child 5 times a week. Practise counting forwards and backwards from 100. Practise writing numbers with your children.

YEAR 3

This week Year 3 had fun learning about forming shadows. They also looked at counting in 50s and estimating numbers on a numberline. In English we made our own magic wands and wrote instruction on how we made them. Please read with your child 3 times a week at home. Please complete the homework sheet.

Year 4

Using our class text 'Varjak Paw' we wrote setting descriptions and explored how to start a new paragraph. As mathematicians, we worked with numbers all the way to 10,000! As historians we researched the Golden Age of Baghdad. At home please read with your child at least 3 times a week. You can also practise their 8 times tables with them or log onto TT Rockstars. Practise putting our spelling words into sentences.

YEAR 5

Through this week we continued our work on decimal place value in maths, rounding numbers with tenths and beginning to explore hundredths. As authors, we roleplayed passages of 'Kick', revising the use of inverted commas and writing conversations between characters. In our enquiry we were artists, and explored the collage work of Elisabeth Rosen and planned our own collages of famous Bristol landmarks. At home discuss the origins of products in your home, identifying where different goods and services can be found.

Year 6

Year 6 had another busy week - with Eagle class settling into another week of place value in maths, and in English we continued our beetle fact-finding mission. We refined our cricket skills in PE as well as starting our new coding curriculum. At home please practise your 10 homework spellings ready for the test next Thursday.

SUPERKIDS!

Year 1: Inaas

Year 2: Tallin

Year 3: Mariam

Year 4: Kemry and Ridwan

Year 5: Amaya

Year 6: Ayan and Salma



More 4 Kids on Wednesday 27 September

Children's Scrapstore will be coming to M4K to run a clay workshop

Playing with Clay: Coil and pinch pot building

Learn different ways of making a pot using hand building techniques and air-dry clay. These can be painted at a later date.

£8.50 per child please contact the office to find out how to book on

Bristol Association for
Neighbourhood Daycare Ltd.
BAND
Making Childcare Count

VISIT THE HUB

**Tuesdays and Fridays
3:15-3:30**

All are welcome - come along and browse our brilliant book selection! Iwona will be there to help advise and recommend if needed!



PTA MEETING

w/c 2 October - day to be confirmed

come along to find out the plans for the year. If you have any questions or would to get in touch, you can contact Char at hannahmorepta@gmail.com

OPEN EVENT

Thursday 28th September 6.30 - 8.30pm



**MONTPELIER
HIGH SCHOOL**
1891

NO BOOKING REQUIRED - Please visit www.montpschool.org for more information or ring **0117 942 4328**



YEAR 7

RESPECT | RESPONSIBILITY | CURIOSITY | RESILIENCE



**PART OF
VENTURERS
TRUST**

craft and chat

BRISTOL BUS BOYCOTT

to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the
Bristol Bus Boycott, we will be running six
FREE drop-in craft sessions with Laura

from Colourful Minds

THURSDAYS 9AM-11AM

21 SEPTEMBER - 2ND NOVEMBER (TERM TIME ONLY)

IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM



if you have any
questions, please
speak to Sarah
Franke in School



COLOURFUL MINDS



NEW COOKING COURSE WITH



FULLY BOOKED!

PLEASE SPEAK TO SARAH FRANKE IF YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN JOINING A COURSE IN THE FUTURE

EMBER

FRIDAYS

9:30AM-12PM

IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

Priority will be given to those who have not done a Travelling Kitchen cooking course before.

You will need to commit to all 9 weeks to complete the course

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED,
PLEASE SPEAK TO SARAH
FRANKE IN SCHOOL OR EMAIL**

sarah.franke@bristol-schools.uk



Applying for school places 2024-25

A guide for **parents and carers** on applying for a **primary school** place for the school year **2024-2025**

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020 you will need to apply for a school place by 15 January 2024



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www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions



What do I need to do to apply for a school place?

- Check the guidance on applying for schools – available at www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions, or by contacting School Admissions. The guidance contains details on how & when to apply, information on each school along with their admissions policy and oversubscription criteria. With the mix of different types of school from Church schools, Foundation schools, Academies, Free Schools and Community schools the admissions policy could be different for each school you put as a preference so it's important to ensure you check this carefully.
- Some schools require supplementary forms to be completed as well as the common application form. Make sure you check if this applies to the school(s) you are interested in.
- Visit the schools. All schools hold open days. Contact the school directly for further details on open days.
- Look at the school's prospectus and its website which are useful sources of information.
- You can name up to three school preferences. We advise you to name more than one school.
- Make sure you apply on-time. The deadline is 15 January 2024.

School Admissions (CH)
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t 0117 903 7694



Why apply online?

- The system helps you by checking for errors.
- There is no risk that your application will be lost in the post.
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- You will get an immediate email confirming that your application has been received.
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- The system is available 24 hours a day until the final submission time of midnight on 15 January 2024.

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apply for a **secondary school** place for the school year **2024-2025**

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Open Days & Evenings

Reception Admissions September 2024



We'd be delighted to show you the nurturing, inspiring environment that we've created and give you the opportunity to find out more about our school.

Wednesday 27th September 9:30am - 10:30am

Wednesday 11th October 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Tuesday 7th November 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Thursday 23rd November 9:30am - 10:30am

Phone or email us to book a place

0117 903 9936 | hannahmorep@bristol-schools.uk

If you are unable to attend the above dates and would like to arrange a visit to the school, or if you have any questions, please contact us at hannahmorep@bristol-schools.uk



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EASTON JUNIORS

SUNDAYS AT CITY ACADEMY, RUSSELL TOWN AVE,
REDFIELD, BRISTOL BS5 9JH

AGES 6-11, 1-2:30PM

AGES 12-16, 2:30-4PM

STARTING SEPTEMBER 17TH

FOR MORE INFORMATION

HARRY.WATTS@GLOUCESTERSHIRECRICKETFOUNDATION.ORG

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Cricket Foundation

EASTSIDE PEOPLE POWER Community Climate Action Day



**Saturday 30 September, 12 to 4pm
Felix Road Adventure Playground**

We are a year into our Community Climate Action project and we want to take this opportunity to share with you what we've been doing and check that we are still on the right path?

- Have our community's priorities changed?
- Does our local Climate Action Plan need refreshing?



FUN ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN

CYCLING LESSONS, DR BIKE, BULB PLANTING, DIY DRAFT PROOFING WORKSHOP, ENERGY ADVICE, FACE PAINTING, NATURE BASED ARTS AND CRAFTS, COMMUNITY MEAL AND MORE.



Contact Vic for more information:

vic@upourstreet.org.uk
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**Community
Climate Action**