

# Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

## 23 February 2024



Hello everyone,

It has been a great start to the term and the school has been a buzz of activity. Year 2 and 3 have been on a visit to the wardrobe theatre and enjoyed reliving their experiences of performing here at school in a real theatre. I have had a steady stream of children coming to the office to share their work and children take so much pride in sharing their achievements.

### School of Sanctuary

Hannah More has a long history of migration. Last year we celebrated the Windrush generation and many families have links back to the Caribbean. We know that a large number of our families have come from all over Africa. We have recently seen many families who are seeking asylum join our school from all over the world. Although many children and parents speak little English, they quickly become part of our community and make friends. We want to ensure that we are doing all that we can to ensure that everyone feels welcome at Hannah More and so we are seeking recognition as a 'School of Sanctuary'. Several Bristol schools have this award and we will work with them to share ideas.


### Attendance

Can I remind everyone to please let us know if your child is absent from school. We also need to know why! We are working hard to improve attendance, not least because it improves outcomes. Children learn more if they are here and the more lessons they miss, the harder it can be to catch up and succeed. We are always happy to meet with families and discuss any problems that you might have getting children to school.

Although it is getting brighter and the weather will start to improve, children need to bring a coat and wear it out to play. There are often occasion when staff will try and get children outside in light rain. Anyone who has spent time in schools will realise the importance of children getting to release their energy.

Have a relaxing weekend everyone and we will see you all on Monday.

Mr Hawkins



**World Book Day**  
**THURSDAY 7TH MARCH**  
**Get comfy and read!**

Children can come to school in their comfy clothes if they wish!  
Remember to bring reading books in.

# SUPERKIDS!

Year 1: Yazn

Year 2: Alpha

Year 3: Asia

Year 4: Marni and Kemry

Year 5: Luqman

Year 6: Kiki and Joana





## YEAR 1

This week we began our new enquiry 'What goes on behind the scenes'. We listened to and made music which sounds like the sea, created collages using patterned/textured paper we made, and learnt 2 songs for our performance at the end of term. We can't wait for you to see it! We also wrote our own stories about a boy who gets stuck on the moon, and as mathematicians we learnt to add and subtract numbers. It has been a lovely, busy first week back. Please read with your child every day and ensure they know how to read and spell the tricky words sent home last term.

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## Year 2

This week we read our new story 'Zeraffa Giraffa'. We enjoyed predicting what the story might be about using clues before reading the story together. In maths we learnt our 5 and 10 times tables. In history, we learnt about different modes of transport. Please read with your child ever day. Practise your 2, 5 and 10 times tables, including doing them out of order.

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## YEAR 3

This week we focused on our measurements in maths, converting m, cm and mm. We looked at how we can add and subtract lengths. In author writers, we read lots of books and saw what life was like as a gladiator. We were geographers this week by locating places where Romans settled on a map. Please read with your child at least 3 times a week and ask them questions about their reading. Please complete the homework sheet.

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## Year 4

As authors, Year 4 enjoyed a week of exploring, performing and adapting a variety of animal poems by Ted Hughes. We looked carefully at the features of a good rhyming poem. Towards the end of the week, they even published and performed their own rhyming animal poetry. As mathematicians, we continued to work hard on ordering fractions. As scientists, we did experiments to launch our new topic 'What is the difference between noise and sound?'. At home, put each spelling word into a sentence that makes sense in your homework book. Please read with your child at least 3 times a week. Practise your 7 times tables including division facts and doing them out of order.

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## YEAR 5

As mathematicians, we continued our work multiplying whole numbers by decimals. In our authors work we learnt to use simile, metaphor and personification in our story writing, while as historians we studied the Mayan empire and their invention of the world's greatest resource: chocolate! At home, ensure your child reads for 18 minutes, three times a week. We're benchmarking soon and hope - with good practice - to be able to increase your child's bookband.

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## Year 6

Year 6 had a fantastic first week back this term. We began by investigating various Greek myths - including the tale of Odysseus, which we are using to support our writing. As mathematicians we learnt about multiplying and dividing decimals. At home, help your child read 3 times for 18 minutes each week.



# **HOMEWORK CLUB!**

**THURSDAYS 3:15-4:15PM**

KS1 in BFG Classroom with Mr Hawkins

KS2 in Owl Classroom with Mr Cook

Children must have a parent/carer attending with them

## **INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR TRIPS?**

We often ask parents/carers for support on school trips and events. If you are interested in helping, please speak to your teacher!

# **BOXING AT MORE 4 KIDS**

**FRIDAYS DURING TERM 3 & 4**

Children booked on to More 4 Kids on the dates above will have the opportunity to join in with a boxing club, run by Isaac Lee.

**£8.50 to book on for More4Kids after school club. Indoor and outdoor activities, food provider. Pick up by 6pm.**



## **Hello Parents and Carers**



Bristol City Council would like to know if your wrap around childcare (before or after school) is meeting your needs.

Please complete this quick survey. It's completely anonymous.

<https://forms.office.com/e/Nuv0CftB6i>

If you have a smart phone, open your camera and focus on the QR code to go straight to the survey!

Thank you, Bristol City Council

**PLEASE SPEAK TO SARAH FRANKE  
IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN...**

**SEWING WORKSHOP**

**Tues mornings, starting 16th April**

**CRAFT AND CHAT WORKSHOPS**

**Weds mornings, starting 13th March**

**SEND COFFEE  
MORNING**

WITH BRISTOL PARENT CARERS

**Wed 28th Feb**

**@ 9 - 10:30 am**

**IN COMMUNITY ROOM**

Come along to chat with other  
parent carers & school staff to  
find out about support available  
locally to support your family





**DROP IN SESSIONS—NO NEED TO SIGN UP!**

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

Czy chcesz ćwiczyć rozmowy w języku angielskim? Przyłącz się do klubu konwersacyjnego English Conversation Club.

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.

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انگریزی بول چال کے کلب میں تشریف لائیں۔

Хочеш попрактикувати розмовну англійську?  
Приєднуйся до англійського розмовного клубу  
English Conversation Club.

SCAN QR code to find out more



- Practice speaking English • Improve your confidence
- Meet new people • Term times only • Enjoy fun activities •

**TUESDAYS 14:00-15:00**

**Hannah More Primary School New Kingsley  
Bristol BS2 0LT**

**STARTS 28/11/23**

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



**COMMUNITY  
LEARNING**

[www.esolcc.org](http://www.esolcc.org) or contact Aggie on:

✉ [esolconversationclubs@bristol.gov.uk](mailto:esolconversationclubs@bristol.gov.uk)

☎ 07768500673



# AFTER SCHOOL DRAMA CLUB

FOR BEGINNERS 9-12Y OLD



LEARN DRAMA SKILLS  
DEVELOP CONFIDENCE  
WORK IN A TEAM  
HAVE FUN

MONDAYS 5.30-6.30PM  
FROM 19TH FEBRUARY 2024  
FOR 6 WEEKS

FREE



BOOKING ESSENTIAL

0117 9223001 OR [junction3@bristol.gov.uk](mailto:junction3@bristol.gov.uk)

## EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA HOLIDAY CLUB

St Nicholas  
Bristol

The Easter Extravaganza Holiday Club will be three days in the jungle! Full of games, crafts, interactive drama productions, terrific team sports, friendship building and music making. All whilst exploring the story of Easter.

You can also join us at our morning service on Sun 14 April where we will conclude our Extravaganza with our big kids performance!

### WHEN

9-11 April  
(9:30am-2:30am)

Sun 14 April  
10:30am (optional)

### WHO

This event is for primary school children, aged 4-11

### LOCATION

St Nicholas Church,  
Bristol, BS1 1UE

### FOOD

Lunch will be provided for your child each day

### COST

£30 for the three days  
(£10 per day)

If you would be interested in a bursary place, please email [kids@stnicholasbristol.org](mailto:kids@stnicholasbristol.org)



Book now via our website

[stnicholasbristol.org/holiday-club](http://stnicholasbristol.org/holiday-club)



## Free online maths course!



Find it hard to commit a full-time course but want to learn new skills or get a better Job?

Do you want to build your math skills which you can use in everyday life?

Do you want to do a course that fits in with your day-to-day schedule?

Do you want to help your children with their math's homework?

Our free online math's course for adults helps you boost these numeracy skills that you use every day. The online classes are available 24/7, so you can learn at your own pace. If you find something a bit tricky, our friendly numeracy coaches are on-hand!



If you would like to enrol, please contact:

Francesca - [Featona@wea.ac.uk](mailto:Featona@wea.ac.uk)

Or Kasia - [kwakeling@wea.ac.uk](mailto:kwakeling@wea.ac.uk)

or simply call 03003033464

## Course: Getting ready for Functional Skills maths!



Wondering how to overcome your math-related challenges?

Are you equipped with the study strategies to ace your Functional Skills test?

Need support to turn your weaknesses into strengths?

Are you ready to enhance your mathematical skills for career success?

Boost your math confidence for success! Tailored to individual needs, this course helps conquer weaknesses, decode exam questions, and enhance job readiness. From practical techniques to collaborative learning, we'll equip you with strategies to excel in the City and Guilds Functional Skills test. Join us and unleash your mathematical potential!



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