

# Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

22nd January 2016

Hello everyone

Our updated school website will be live this weekend! In next week's newsletter there will be a special quiz to encourage you to have a good look around the new website. In the meantime, take a look at the class blogs to get an update on what children have been learning. In older year groups, the children have written these blogs themselves.

Many of you will have seen the exciting work that has started in the playground this week. This is the start of our very own beach - a huge sandpit with running water and a play kitchen. There is a display up in school which shows how the space will look when it is finished - but there is lots more to be done!

We are looking forward to celebrating Hannah More's birthday on 2nd February and we are asking for parents' support with this event. Some of you will remember the international food festival we held last year on the same date. This was a lovely opportunity to experience food from many different cultures. Enclosed with this newsletter is a form to fill in, to say how you can help - please fill it in and return it to the school office, or to any member of staff. Thank you in advance for your support!

We still have a few spaces left for parents to visit school for our 'Open Morning' on 27 January. This is an opportunity to come into the classroom and experience teaching and learning at Hannah More. Please collect a booking form at the office if you are interested .

Best wishes

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher.



## This week's **SUPERKIDS!**

**Reception: A-Ziah and Abdullahi**

**Year 2: Aliya and Saabrina M**

**Year 3: Nafay and Linaz**

**Year 4: Shania and Hamza**

**Year 5: Rutwan and Leon**

**Year 6: Samiya and Ryan F**

# Open Morning - Wednesday 27 January



There are still a few spaces left for the Open Morning on 27 January. If you would like to come you must book a place. Fill in a form at the office and return it by Monday. We will send you a letter to tell you if you have a place.

## Hannah More's Birthday!

Please help us celebrate by bringing food for our International Food Festival. See the enclosed leaflet, or talk to Mr Webster or Ruth to find out more. Thank you!



## New courses for parents ...

**Family Learning**

Help your child to learn!

Thursdays from 18th February. For Reception and Year 1 parents. Sign up at the office.

### Healthy cooking

Thursdays from 28th January.  
2 places left!  
Come along on the day!



A course for Reception parents, to help with early maths skills. Sign up at the office of tell teachers if you are interested. Tuesdays from 26 January.

# Sainsbury's



## PLEASE COLLECT SAINSBURY'S VOUCHERS!

We can get great sports equipment for school if we collect loads of vouchers! Vouchers are available from 27th January.



**Playing out is coming to St Jude's!** Playing out is when we close the road to let children play safely in their street. Come to a planning meeting on Wednesday 27 January 10.00 at Tyndall House Community Room. All welcome. Call Aisha on 07809 151638 for more information.

## Half Term Holiday Club...



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We run a holiday club during school holidays to support working parents.

Children have lots of fun, improve their language and social skills, are creative, make new friends and go on exciting trips! Ask at the office for more information.



### There is a new post box outside the main office!

Please use this box to post **anything** for the school office, teachers or for Ms Ramsay during busy times. You can post letters, return slips, trip money and dinner money.

The box is emptied every day. Please make sure that any money is in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name, class, amount and what the money is for.



**Bristol**  
SCIENCE CENTRE



**With this newsletter you will have received a special ticket. At-Bristol are having a Community Weekend for people who live in Lawrence Hill. FREE ENTRY to at-Bristol on 30 and 31 January with this ticket!**



# News from the classes...

**Reception classes ...** In Literacy this week we have invented our own stories. We learnt about story structure and how to make our story exciting to the reader. In Maths we learnt about patterns and how to make a repeating pattern. **Please help at home by creating patterns with household objects for example 'fork, spoon, fork, spoon'.**

**Year 1 ...** We finished the week with a fantastic trip to the zoo! This supports our class topic where we have been learning all about animals. Thank you to the parents who came along and helped! **Please ask your child all about today's trip. Please continue to support your child by counting and writing numbers 50-200 (forwards and backwards).**

**Year 2 ...** In Literacy this week we wrote our own stories based on the book 'How to Catch a Star'. We changed the character, the object and the setting and added in describing words. In Numeracy we found fractions of numbers and shapes and counted on in halves and quarters. We also discussed how people care for us and what we need in order to be fit and healthy. **At home, please ask your child about this week's learning.**

**Year 3 ...** In Maths this week we compared and ordered fractions. We learnt how to add and subtract fractions as well. In Literacy we thought of ideas to innovate our class text including some lovely ideas for new rooms that could be found in the chocolate factory. In topic, we learned about light sources and then created our own circuits. **Please help at home by discussing this week's learning with your child.**

**Year 4...** This week we worked on our fantasy story 'Leon and the Place Between'. We used prepositional phrases, onomatopoeia, expanded non phrases and Power of Three to make sure our writing had a big impact on the reader. In Numeracy we explored fractions and decimals, representing numbers in different ways and making links with division. We also made a fantastic dance about the digestive system - if you quiz us on the different organs and functions of the digestive system we'll know all the answers! **At home please ask your child to explain what a fraction is and how we can find equivalents with decimal numbers.**

**Year 5...** In numeracy this week we have found fractions and then applied this learning to word problems. In literacy we explored how to create tension in our writing and practised using different techniques. In SRE we discussed physical and emotional changes that take place as people grow older. **At home please talk to your child about all the SRE learning we have done this week.**

**Year 6...** Year 6 have risen to the challenge in tests, reviewing their learning so far this year. They have also planned a playscript in Literacy and practised dividing fractions and solving problems. They have also displayed a mature, sensible attitude to their SRE lessons this week. **At home, please ask your child what they have learnt in SRE.**



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