# Hannah More Newsletter 8TH NOVEMBER 2018

#### Hello everyone

At the start of this week we had an important meeting with school improvement officers, to explore the progress we have made as a school this year. I am pleased to report that the meeting went well and that the significant progress we have made this year was noted. There has been a real buzz around our learning, and the new curriculum has seen children both engaged and enthused. Teachers have worked hard to ensure lessons are interesting, challenging and fun.

We have had lots of visitors in school this week, to bring our learning to life - so please ask your child what they've been up to! Children also learnt about Diwali this week, and Years 1 and 2 enjoyed a fabulous puppet show which brought the story of Rama and Sita to life.

This week we had some lovely special events as well. Year 6 enjoyed an inspiring visit to Avon Wildlife Trust Feed Centre. Thank you to those families who faced the rain and came to our bonfire party on Tuesday. A BIG thank you also to the team of volunteers from Burges Salmon, who helped the event run smoothly. Next week we look forward to a fun disco on Friday after school – check this newsletter for more information.

Parents can support us by making sure homework is completed, uniform is correct, P.E kit is brought in, and trip information is responded to promptly. Please remember to book your Learning Review meetings with teachers as well. If you need any further information about any of these things, please ask at the office.

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher



## **Learning Review Meetings**

These are on **Tuesday 20** and **Thursday 22 November** between 3.30 and 5.30pm. From Monday 12th November, the teachers will have sign up sheets for you to book a time slot.



- Year 1: Rehan and Andy
- Year 2: Attika and Francesca
- Year 3: Mumtaz and Vega
- Year 4: Asad and Zakaria
- Year 5: Kortni and Hamzah
- Year 6: Musab and Ahmed



Don't forget to buy your Fluffy Pudsey Ears and wristbands from the school office, <u>all</u> proceeds go to the charity!

# Are you a talented face painter?

We are asking for volunteers to do face painting at the disco!

We will provide the face painting kit - speak to Ruth or Mrs Hall to offer your help!





### FUNK IT UP DANCE SCHOOL -STREET DANCE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB!

Do your kids have loads of energy? Do they love to dance or maybe just want to try it out?

<u>TUESDAYS — Key Stage 2</u> <u>Main Hall — 3:15 - 4:15pm</u> with an experienced dance teacher, Xavier.



#### LEARN STREET DANCING PLUS A CHANCE TO PERFORM AT FUNK IT UP'S CHRISTMAS SHOWCASE!

The children will work on a routine to perform at the Christmas Showcase on Sunday 2nd December! They will be able to perform on stage and see other Funk It Up groups perform, as well as amazing external performers!

#### Book your child's place on SIMS AGORA!

## FareShare South West GUEST CHEF TOBY GRITTEN

# Tuesday 13th November at Hannah More Breakfast Club

Meet top Bristol Chef Toby Gritten

#Big Breakfast!

Join In! 1t's ...



Make your own yummy smoothies with Toby

Tell everyone about how great your breakfast club is!





Take part in activities and our drawing competition

#### Felix Road Adventure Playground & Up Our Street present DIWALL FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS Sunday 11th November 1-6pm, Felix Road, Easton BS5 OJW



CHEAP HOT FOOD & REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE





#### Hays are asking pupils to get creative and design a Christmas Card.



The best card design will be chosen as the official Hays Education Christmas E-card that will be sent to schools across the country . And - earn a cash reward for your school!

Hand your design into the office by Friday 16th November.



Reception...This week we learnt about the Hindu festival Diwali. We learnt how it is celebrated and thought about how we celebrate our own special festivals. We thought about how important light is and we made special lamps to hold candles. Your child has been given a 'Phonics Book'. The words in this book are made up of the sounds we have learnt. Please look at the book with your child and ask them to say the sounds they know. See if they can read the words and tell the story. The books will be changed every Friday.

Year 3...We started a new enquiry to answer the question 'Where does darkness come from?' We have been scientists and learnt about sources of light and how light travels. As mathematicians we continued to learn about using the column method for adding and subtracting. Please remind your child to bring in their PE kit on Tuesdays for PE in the afternoon and wear their PE kit to school on Wednesdays, bringing school clothes to change into.

Year 5 ...This week we started reading our novel 'Namia'. We are really enjoying the fantasy of being in a wintery place and have written descriptive poems about Namia. In maths we revised our knowledge of multiples and learned all about factors – our times tables really helped us with this learning! At home, ask your child to practise their lines for our school play at the end of this term. Year 1... We have been very busy this week with lots of visitors! We watched a puppet show about Diwali and the enjoyed the life bus. We had a visit from the police and a nurse as part of our new enquiry question 'who helps who'? In English we started our new book 'Avocado Baby' and we tasted some yummy avocado! Please continue to read at home with your children and practise counting on when adding numbers.

Year 2... This week we solved multiplication problems using arrays. In English we learnt about non-fiction texts and wrote instructions on 'How to Make a Bird Cake'. We also enjoyed watching a puppet show about Diwali. At home, please recap and test your children on their previous spelling lists.

Year 4... This week we started our enquiry 'Why do we live here?', in which we have been thinking about why we love living in Bristol. We have also started our new text 'The Iron Man' and written our own descriptive poems. At home, please practise times tables up to 12 with your child.

Year 6... As mathematicians, we reduced fractions to their simplest form. As authors, we learned to recognise clauses and phrases. We learned about evolution and adaptation in our trip to Avon Wildlife Feed Centre. We also learned about the Hindu & Sikh festival of Diwali. At home, please help your child with their homework which is to find fractions of amounts.