Hannah More Primary School Newsletter 6 October 2023



Hello everyone,

It has been another busy week. The children are feeling proud of their work and as I go around the school children want to show me pieces of work they have produced. Our Reception class have settled in well and when I went in one morning they were already blending their sounds to read. Learning the phonic sounds and becoming readers unlocks the key to being able to learn. I then see the progression when I am in year 6 and children are reading huge chapter books.

I talked in assembly today about the number of children we have had starting at Hannah More. Despite being one class smaller, our numbers are higher than they were this time last year. This is great news and part of my vision for the school is that we grow and eventually go back to having two classes in every year group.

Many of our new families are new to the city of Bristol and the country. The Hannah More community has a long history of welcoming families from all around the world. I know that our parent community will help and support those who might be new to the area and not know anybody yet. As a school we recognise that many of the children joining us speak little or no English and we are exploring ways to ensure that they have the best start with us.

Yesterday, I met with a man whose great grandfather lived in our school building. Rodney Drew, who is 84, has been tracing his family tree. He found a copy of the census from 1911 which shows his great grandparents living at Hannah More school. They would have probably lived in the West Tower next to the entrance gate and looked after the school. Rodney has offered to come and talk to the children about the history within our city.

The sun is forecast to shine over the weekend. Enjoy the time.

Kevin Hawkins

SCHOOL GATE TIMES

The bottom gate will be open from 3:15-3:30 for pick up from the playground



Year 1: Kamal Year 2: Reel Year 3: Rihan Year 4: Ismail and Honor Year 5: Tate Year 6: Suber and Sudais



YEAR 1 This week we learnt the poem 'Ten Things Found in a Wizard's Pocket'. As mathematicians, we thought about fewer, more and same. We also continued thinking about classifying animals. At home, please ensure your child writes their numbers correctly.

This week Year 2 rehearsed for our performance. In English we did fantastic retells of the story 'The Tin Forest'. As mathematicians we looked at splitting numbers into tens and ones. Please read with your child <u>5 times a week.</u> Practise counting forwards and backwards from 100. Practise writing numbers with your children.

SEAR 3 This week Year 3 looked at place value and were adding hundreds, tens and ones. We also had a visitor who came in and performed a shadow puppet show, hoping to inspire the children for their shadow puppet performance. In English, we published our own writing based on 'Leon and the Place Between'. Please read with your child <u>3 times a week</u> at home. Please make sure they complete the homework sheet.

Miss Evans and Miss Jones have been blown away by the focus and hard work this week. As mathematicians, we were busy rounding 4-digit numbers to the nearest ten, hundred and thousand. As authors we wrote, edited and publised detailed news reports about our class book and even included quotations from interviews! Please read with your child <u>at least 3 times a week</u>. Practise 6 times tables with them or log onto TT Rockstars. Practise putting our spelling words into sentences.

This week we were rounding decimals with hundredths to the nearest tenth and whole numbers, and have introduced thousandths as fractions. As writers we finished and published our new stories based on the novel 'Kick', while in our enquiry we delved deeper into Bristol's trading past and the triangle of trade. At home, ensure all children read for the regular 18 minutes, three days a week. Please record in homework books.

Year 6 tackled some challenging long and short multiplication questions, as well as writing effective setting descriptions. In PE we perfected our cricket bowling skills and in enquiry we explored the different species in the Galapagos. At home please practise your 10 homework spellings ready for the test next Thursday.

upcoming autumn & winter events

- PTA MEETINGS IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM Wednesday 4 October @ 3:15-4 AND
 - thursday 5 October @ 3:15-4
- PTA BAKE SALE IN THE MAIN HALL Friday 20 October @ 3:15 see poster below for more info
- BONFIRE NIGHT ON THE FIELD Friday 3 November @ 5:30-7 see poster below for more info
- FESTIVE CRAFTERNOON IN THE MAIN HALL thursday 30 November @ 3:15 more details to follow
- FESTIVE WINTER DISCO IN THE MAIN HALL
 - thursday 14 December @ 3:15 more details to follow

PTA BAKESALE Friday 20 October 3:15Pm in the Main Hall

PLEASE BRING DONATIONS OF CAKES - BAKED OR BOUGHT - IF YOU CAN! YOU CAN DROP THEM OFF AT THE OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY.

Please bring cash for cakes!



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



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Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.



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!

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!



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



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) Bristol City Council PO Box 3399, Bristol, BS1 9NE

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Why apply online?

- The system helps you by checking for errors.
- There is no risk that your application will be lost in the post.
- It is quick and easy to do.
- You will get an immediate email confirming that your application has been received.
- You will receive an email notification of the outcome of your application on the same day as the offer letters are posted.
- The system is available 24 hours a day until the final submission time of midnight on 15 January 2024.

Apply online www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions

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

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If your child was born between **1 September 2012** and **31 August 2013** you will need to apply for a school place by **31 October 2023**.



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Hannah More Primary School



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
Wednesday	11th October

Tuesday 7th November

Thursday 23rd November

9:30am - 10:30am 5:00pm - 6:00pm 5:00pm - 6:00pm

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

www.hannahmore.org.uk

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