

Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

8 September 2023



Welcome back everyone!

It has been a hot week and the children have done really well to stay focused and engaged in their learning. Some of our KS2 classrooms get incredibly hot and the teachers have done a great job of keeping everyone motivated. I have been very proud of the children this week. We have noticed how smart everyone has been and I want to thank all of you for ensuring that children are wearing the correct uniform to represent the school. I have been so impressed with how the children have settled into their new classes. It is going to be a fantastic year at Hannah More!

Hopefully, you have all had a chance to look at our new play spaces outside. We are so grateful to Margot and 'Limbs and Things' who have financed the development. Touchwood play have done such a good job and the children of Hannah More can make more of the outdoor space that we are so lucky to have. I have to thank Sarah, Emily, Ruth and the sports coaches for managing to run the summer clubs when so much work was going on around the school. I know how much the summer clubs mean to our families and the children had so much fun.

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome Miss Bamford-White as our new Year 3 teacher and Katie Gingell who will be working with Emily in the office to ensure that the school runs smoothly and parents receive a warm welcome. If you see them, please say hello and welcome them to Hannah More.

I loved my first year at Hannah More, but it has been good to start the year knowing the children and the community. We have a clear vision of how we can move things forwards and the staff want to do everything they can to ensure we continue to grow and improve. I hope everyone knows how much I value the community here at Hannah More. I want to work with you all to ensure that all the children at Hannah More get the best opportunities for success.

Enjoy the sunshine and we will see you next week.

Mr Hawkins

**parent
courses
starting soon!
more details will be
in the newsletter
next week**

**Get to know you - parent teacher meetings
Tuesday 19 and Thursday 21 September
please book a slot with your teacher**

CLASS NEWS

YEAR 1

Year 1 had a fantastic week exploring their new classroom and thinking about how we can be safe, engaged and respectful. At home, please talk to your child about places they have travelled to as we are going to be learning about journeys.

This week Year 2 were brilliant mathematicians and worked on our tens and our ones. We also made some 'be kind' tokens and thought about ways to be kind. Please read with your child every day and practise counting to 100.

Year 2

YEAR 3

This week, Year 3 looked at a book called 'It's Your Own World Now'. We focused on the books lessons of life (trying your hardest, never giving up, and how love and friendship is important). From this, we drew, planned and published our own marvellous worlds where anything is possible. Following from this theme, we also made a collaborative piece of art work which tells the rest of the school what Year 3 want to be when they grow up. Please read with your child 4 times a week at home.

Year 4 had a busy first week back! As mathematicians we practised working effectively in pairs and presenting work neatly. As authors, the children wrote newspaper reports based on the book 'Maybe Something Beautiful'. This book also inspired some collaborative year group mural art! At home please read with your child at least 3 times a week. You can also practise their times tables with them or log onto TT Rockstars.

Year 4

YEAR 5

We had a fantastic start to Year 5 life. We engaged in the 'One Day House' story, writing diary entries in the role of Wilson. As mathematicians, we prepared ourselves for the year ahead with practise of partner work, use of resources and presentation. We also explored the concept of intrinsic motivation, preparing us for a hard-working, fun year ahead. We are starting off the reading requirement of 18 minutes of reading four times a week. Find a quiet space at home for your child to read and try and read with them at least once a week.

Year 6 had a brilliant first week back at school! We learnt about a lady called Wangari, and thought about ways that we can be a community, as well as how even a small action can be significant. We got to know our new classmates and teachers, and did lots of team building exercises. At home please keep encouraging your child to read at home three times a week for 18 minutes.

Year 6

SUPERKIDS!

Year 1: Zyron

Year 2: Bader

Year 3: Sumaya

Year 4: Jamia and Alberto

Year 5: Baktiar

Year 6: Asenat and Maid





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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



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

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

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)
Bristol City Council
PO Box 3399, Bristol, BS1 9NE
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e school.admissions@bristol.gov.uk
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.
- 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**

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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SCHOOL LUNCH - PRICE INCREASE

School lunches now cost **£2.70**

Some people may be entitled to Free School Meals. If you have not already applied, you can check your eligibility and apply at:

www.bristol.gov.uk/residents/schools-learning-and-early-years/travel-and-free-school-meals/free-school-meals

If your child is **has just started in are in**, you will need to pay for schools dinners unless you have already applied for Free School Meals.. Please do check if you are eligible at the link above.

Do you often feel like you miss out on accessing support for your family?

Sign up to our newsletter today to find out about free local support and information from across Bristol

www.bristolparentcarers.org.uk/join-us/

Bristol Parent Carer Forum
Shaping the Future Together

Digital solutions to supporting mental wellbeing
WITH BRISTOL PARENT CARERS & Kooth



Information and support at North Bristol coffee morning
Southmead Greenway Centre
Doncaster Rd, BS10 5PY
7th Sep @ 9:15-10:30am



Primary & Secondary School Transitions
WITH BRISTOL PARENT CARERS & BRISTOL CITY COUNCIL




Information and support from all services across Bristol




Hello September!
Book your free space now
Don't miss out



Make your voice heard by completing our health service survey



Dyslexia & Visual Processing
WITH BRISTOL PARENT CARERS & BIBIC



Information and support at South Bristol coffee morning
INNS COURT CENTRE
1 Marshall Walk, Knowle BS4 1TR
14th Sep @ 10:30-12:30pm



Managing extreme behaviour
WITH BRISTOL PARENT CARERS & BIBIC



Let's play out!



As we approach Autumn, we're looking for new ways to get our children to play outside and organising a play street on your doorstep is a great opportunity to bring your local community together and get the kids exercising without realising - without too much work for you!

Play streets - where traffic is diverted from your street for a couple of hours - is free to organise in Bristol. It's like a street party but simpler (no need to organise activities) and it's an easy way to create a safe space for children to play together. Hundreds of street communities across the country are enjoying the benefits of playing out on the doorstep:

- Good for children's health and happiness
- Get to know your neighbours; build a community
- Help support safer streets for your children



Sounds great! How do I start?

First check out www.playingout.net and talk to your neighbours about the idea to gain support.

Once you're ready you can [apply to the council](#) for up to a year's worth of play streets. Many streets do it once a month, but starting with just one is great too! Applications are online and take about 10 minutes. You need to give 8 weeks notice so aim for around October half term for your first one.

The friendly team at Playing Out is here to support you, so pop into our office at Windmill Hill City farm or call us on 0117 9537167. We can lend you free road closure signs and kit for your play street!

If you don't need to close a road, you could still organise a playing out session in your estate carpark or local space, look on our website for info or get in touch for a chat.



"Simply knowing many more people. Finding out about things in common - eg allotments, baking, DIY. Mixing ages of both kids and adults together eg adults in 70s chatting more with young parents. WhatsApp is all very well but if you know people's faces and who they are, it takes it that step further and that's what playing out does." - play streets organiser

Free Theatre Workshops for Migrant Women

Thursdays 10am - 12pm

7th September - 14th December 2023

Bus tickets reimbursed



Fun games

Opportunities
to perform



Theatre trips

Meet new
people

Develop
confidence

Practise
English

Interested?

Email Carlota (carlotamatos.contact@gmail.com),
call Borderlands (07563029027) or come to the
Borderlands Drop-In on Tuesdays 10am - 2pm

Borderlands, The Assisi Centre, BS5 ORE