Hannah More Primary School Newsletter 26th February 2016

Hello everyone

There have been lots of outdoor happenings this week. As I write this, Year 3 are at the zoo and Year 2 have gone to Tyntesfield to plant trees at the National Trust property there. Year 5 and 6 footballers had a successful afternoon at the City Academy yesterday. We've also had some fantastic help from a team from Burges Salmon, who cleared out the pond this week. This was really hard work (as well as very muddy). We are very grateful to the volunteers who gave up a whole day to help us. Mrs Evans is planning lessons for all children using the pond to develop their learning.

I very am proud of the assembly council this week. This is a group of children who are taking responsibility for all our school assemblies. They introduce whoever is leading the assembly, welcome any visitors and organise resources. There are also lots of 'behind the scenes' jobs, like sorting out the photographs for our Friday video and liaising with teachers. They have been confident and professional in the way they have managed their responsibility. Thank you to all of them!

We are looking forward to World Book Week next week. There are lots of activities taking place in classes so please do talk to your child about everything that's going on. We also encourage children to dress up as book characters on Thursday. The Life Bus is also coming next week – please ask your children what they learnt about living healthily when they visited the bus.

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher







This week's SUPERKIDS! **Reception: Ayub and Sumaya** Year 1: Imran and Mawahib Year 2: Adam Year 3: Sumaya A and Vibishalini Year 4: Mohamed and Ikram Year 5: Anisa and Mohammed Year 6: Zuhur and Karima



Lots of events happening all week!

Book fair Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday! Every child will have a £1 token to spend so please come along! Money raised will help us buy new books for the Hub and classrooms.

Bedtime stories Tuesday 1 March 6-6.45pm. Come back to school in your pyjamas for a bedtime story and hot chocolate. We are looking for volunteers to help and read stories - speak to Mrs Sessions if you can help.

Thursday 3rd March - come to school dressed as your favourite book character. Teachers will be dressing up too!

Storytelling workshop Tuesday 1 March 9-10

Led by speech and language experts. Learn how to share stories with children. All welcome. Free crèche.



Special World Book Day Lunch Thursday 3rd March!



Book Week Photo Competition!

Take a fun photo of you reading your favourite book!

Winners to be chosen on Monday



Book vouchers to be won!

E-mail your photo to: hannahmorep@bristol-schools.uk





Life Education Centre - in school next week!

To find out more come to the information session on Tuesday 1st March 3-3:15 All welcome!

Reminder from the office...

Please remember to leave school through the bottom gate after you have collected your

child at 3:15.

The bottom gate is open until 3:30.



PLEASE COLLECT SAINSBURY'S VOUCHERS !



Put your vouchers in the box at the office!

Family Swim sessions

Saturdays 6 -7pm

May 7 and 21, June 11 and 25, July 9

More information nearer the time!

ARCH INTERNATIONAL WQMEN'S DAY

Bring and share a buffet lunch with women from around the world! The theme is 'Women who inspire us'.

Tuesday March 8th, 9.00 - 3.00 Crèche available 9.00 -11.30

Term dates

Term 4 ends Thursday 24 March Term 5 Tuesday 12 April - Friday 27 May School closed 2 May for the Bank Holiday and 5 May for polling Term 6 Tuesday 7 June - Friday 22 July



This week's learning...

Reception classes ... This week we learnt how to subtract by counting back. Some children also learnt how to double numbers. In Literacy we changed the characters in the Gruffalo story. Please encourage your child to practise counting backwards from 20 to 0.

Year 1 ... This week in Year 1 we have been writing up poems, going on shape walks and naming the different parts of a plant. At home, please help your child to find 2D and 3D shapes around your house!

Year 2 ... In Maths this week we learnt how to answer questions about block graphs and pictograms. In Literacy we wrote poems about ice-cream. We particularly enjoyed tasting the ice-cream first! Please ask your child about their favourite book and encourage them to give you some reasons why it is their favourite! This will help us with World Book Week activities next week.

Year 3 ... This week Year 3 learnt about position and angles in Maths. They wrote amazing poems in Literacy, thinking carefully about their word choice to add interest to their work. In Topic we found out about the parts of a plant and the jobs they do and planned a fair test to see what conditions a plant needs to survive. At home, please read with your child and make sure they can answer lots of questions about the book.

Year 4... This week we explored different types of poems such as limericks, narrative, free verse and many more! In Numeracy we explored types of angles: right angles, straight angles, acute and obtuse. We even made up a dance to represent them! During Topic we began learning about what creates an electrical circuit. We discussed how a circuit would work using all the correct technical vocabulary for the components! At home please share different types of poems, reading them aloud with expression, tone and volume!

Year 5... In Maths this week we learnt about measuring, estimating and comparing angles. We then used this to recreate shapes. In Literacy we learnt all about Kennings poems and had a go at writing our own. In our Topic, we learnt what a primary and secondary source were and then designed our own Victorian classroom. At home, please help your child by asking them about a Kennings poem and what the difference is between an acute, obtuse, right and reflex angle.

Year 6...This week we have been tested on Maths, grammar and reading. In Maths lessons we learnt how to draw and classify 2D shapes and about the properties of circles. In Literacy we wrote poems and a diary entry from two different points of view. At home, please ask your child about their favourite book (and why it is their favourite) in preparation for Book Week next week.

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Have a look at the website for lots more exciting news and updates!