

Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

29th January 2016

Hello everyone

I hope you have had a chance to look at our updated school website. There is so much useful information as well as lots of lovely pictures of great learning. There's a quiz inside this newsletter to encourage you to have a good look around. Make sure you check the class blogs, to get an update on what children have been learning.

The beach project in the playground is coming along! I can't wait to see how it will look when everything is finished and all the sand has been delivered. The children have been watching the progress closely and have been very sensible around the workmen on site.

Thank you so much to parents who have offered to bring food to share, to help us celebrate Hannah More's birthday on Tuesday. All clubs (except More 4 Kids) will be cancelled on this day, so that parents and children have a chance to taste some food from different countries and find out more about who Hannah More was. There's still time to help - please speak to Mr Webster, Ruth or the office team. Thank you in advance for your support!

Finally, thank you to those parents who came to our 'Open Morning' this week. Your feedback was very positive and I am so glad you experienced the fantastic teaching and learning that goes on in school every day .

Have a good weekend,
Sue Ramsay,
Headteacher.



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This week's SUPERKIDS!

Reception: Mahamed H and Ilham

Year 1: Mazin and Iqlas

Year 2: Saleeban and Katra

Year 3: Teshan and Safa

Year 4: Kahiem and Amal

Year 5: Makini and Amani

Year 6: Zuhur and Ramla

Have you explored our lovely new website?

To encourage everyone to explore the website we have devised a quiz. Write your answers on a piece of paper with your child's name and class. Hand it to the office on Monday. Prizes to be won!



- 1 What is the title of Year 5 Dove's first blog post?
- 2 Can you name 5 courses for adults that are in January?
- 3 What is the phone number and email address of our school?
4. Which class has been caring for the chickens this week?
5. How many pages different pages does our new website have in total?
6. Which local businesses does the school work with?

Good luck!

Parents' Voice Meeting

Our next Parents' Voice meeting is **Friday 19th February**, 10-11 (after assembly). At this meeting we will talk with children from the school council and find out what the council do in school. Everyone is welcome!

Hannah More's Birthday - Tuesday!

Please help us celebrate by bringing food to share from different countries. There is a party after school! Ask at the office for a leaflet or talk to Mr Webster or Ruth if you can help. Thank you!



Sainsbury's

Active Kids



PLEASE COLLECT SAINSBURY'S VOUCHERS!

We can get great sports equipment for school if we collect loads of vouchers! Put your vouchers in the box at the office!

Half Term Holiday Club...

Did you know we run a club during school holidays? Children have fun, improve their language, play outside, enjoy art, craft and cooking and make new friends! We have some places reserved for children who are eligible for Pupil Premium. These places cost £3 for a whole day of fun! Ask Samira, Ruth or Khalif if you are interested.



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



Don't forget there is FREE ENTRY to at-Bristol THIS WEEKEND with the special ticket from last week's newsletter!

News from the classes...

Reception classes ... This week we made up our own stories. We added some describing words to our story to make it more exciting. In Maths we thought about the language of time and how we can use words like 'yesterday', 'tomorrow' and 'later on' to help us talk about our experiences. Please encourage your child to make up their own story and tell it to you. Think about the story setting, the characters in the story and some exciting events.

Year 1 ... Following our fantastic trip to Bristol Zoo we continued to learn about animals this week. We found out about herbivores and carnivores. In Maths we worked hard to count forwards and backwards from numbers to 100. In Literacy we got ready to write our own stories by doing lots of planning! **Please support your child by counting to 100 (and even 200 if they can!)**

Year 2 ... In Literacy we wrote our own wishing tales, including adjectives and adverbs. In Maths we learned about co-ordinates and how to describe position and movements. **At home, please ask your child to re-tell their wishing tale.**

Year 3 ... We innovated our stories in Literacy and wrote an extended ending to improve the text. We had a really great time in our Drama workshop. In Maths we have worked on fractions and word problems. In Topic we made our own switches to use in a circuit and carried out an experiment to identify reflective materials. The children all worked brilliantly and showed fantastic perseverance! **Please help at home by asking your child to tell you about their Drama workshop!**

Year 4... This week we worked on our fantasy story 'Leon and the Place Between'! We used prepositional phrases, onomatopoeia, expanded noun phrases and Power of Three to make sure our writing had a big impact on the reader. Then we turned our fantasy stories into mini books! In Numeracy we compared, ordered and added fractions! **At home please continue to find equivalent fractions! Try this game: http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/mathgames/fractions/memory_equivalent1.htm**

Year 5... In numeracy this week we made links to our fraction work by looking at decimal and percentage equivalents. We also investigated a problem where we used our collaboration skills. In Literacy we developed the 'The Iron Man' story and changed the character and setting. In Topic we looked at the reason why we have night and day and wrote letters to persuade someone why living on Mars isn't a good idea! **At home please support your child with their quick re-call of the common decimal, percentage and fraction equivalents.**

Year 6... In Literacy this week, we developed the story of 'The Elves and the Shoemaker' into a play script. In Maths we consolidated our learning about fractions, decimals and percentages. In Topic, we explored how diet and training impacts on health from the point of view of a famous Olympian. We also enjoyed a Drama workshop this week! **At home, please talk to your child about fractions, decimals and percentages!**