Hannah More Primary School Newsletter 11 December 2020



Hello everyone

Next week is the last week of a busy and challenging term. We have coped with year group closures, embraced home learning when necessary and adapted lots of our usual practices. We can't wait to get back to a more normal way of working - and we hope that 2021 will bring this. In the meantime, thank you to staff and to all our community for your understanding and your support.

School is looking very festive, but we are very aware that parents aren't able to see this. Our lovely tree arrived from Aid Box Community on Monday and staff enjoyed decorating this as well as busily preparing end of term fun. Follow us on twitter to keep up to date.

Earlier this week the government announced an extra INSET day for schools, so we will now close on Thursday 17th December. Please see the

page below for a reminder of all events happening next week.

Although school will be closed over the holidays, you can still collect food boxes on three dates: Tuesdays 22 and 29 December and Monday 4 January (new date!). You won't need to book a box on these dates, you can just come along.

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher.









Year 1: Khalid and Ramzi

Year 2: Lashayah and Huda

Year 3: Dago and Rehan

Year 4: Afnan and Ella

Year 5: Lorenzo and Riyan

Year 6: Ayman and Zakaria



Wednesday 16th December

Christmas dinner, see the menu below. This costs £2.25, unless you are eligible for free school meals. Crackers as well!

Reception nativity play - this will be filmed; there will be a link on the website.

Thursday 17th December

Year 5 performance - Annie. This will also be filmed.

Class parties in all year groups!







A big THANK YOU to Granville and Steve from Bristol Children's Charity, for delivering 48 mini-hampers, ready to be given out on 22 December.

Fantastic!

More 4 Kids have been feeling festive this week as well. They made Christmas decorations (and slime...) yesterday and will be enjoying more craft next week,



along with some fire-building, bike riding and cooking. The booking system has been down, so please contact the office to book

places. hannahmorep@bristol-schools.uk



Christmas cards for sale

Designed by Tegan in Year 5 - these will be available to buy on Wednesday and Thursday next week.

50p for 1 3 for £1





Food Boxes













Food boxes are available to any Hannah More families. To reserve a box on 15th December please fill in a form at the office. We'll also have food boxes during the holidays on these days:

- Tuesday 22 December
- Tuesday 29 December
- Monday 4 January (new date!)

1-3pm, from the school office. Just come along and collect.

How does it all work?

School doesn't fund the food boxes, but we do use all our community links to get the food boxes together. We've had funding from Quartet Community Foundation and the Co-op as well as fantastic help from FareShare, Bristol Sport Foundation and Bristol Children's Charity. Individuals and local businesses have supported us too. It's useful to have feedback and to know that food boxes are appreciated, so please send comments our way if you can!





We've been getting festive this week, creating decorations for our classroom and practising for our performance. As mathematicians we learnt about circles, triangles, squares and rectangles. Look for shapes at home and talk about how many sides and corners they have. Please read your reading book!

Year 3 settled back to school really well this week! We planned and started to write our 'Defeat the beast' stories and as mathematicians we practised the 3 and 4 times tables. Please help your child learn the 3, 4 and 8 times table. Continue to encourage your child to read every day in a **fluent voice**.



This week we wrote our own version of 'The Night Gardener', describing our own choice of animals. We looked at a bird's eye view map of Hannah More School and labelled it using a key. We counted objects and matched them to the right number of objects. At home, practise counting up to and back from 20. Please read with your child every day. Ask your child to find the tricky words in their book and ask lots of questions about what they have read. If you have Google Maps on a computer, tablet or phone, look for the school



and view it from above..

This week we used our reading skills to find out more about Brunel. We continued learning about money and can now add pounds and pence. We were fantastic artists and created cubist pictures. Please help your child count forwards and backwards from 100. Encourage your child to read



This week we learnt all about animals. The children used their science and English skills to research and present facts about their chosen animal and were able to speak about them for one minute. As mathematicians we practised our multiplication and division. You can help at home by practising times tables with your child.

We have been so impressed with the acting skills in Year 5 this week! The performance is really coming along - we can't wait for you to see it! As mathematicians, the children showed great resilience and are becoming confident multiplying 4 digit numbers by a 2 digit number. Please make sure your child brings in their costume on Monday.



This week we got back into the swing of working together as two classes. In maths we learnt about comparing and adding and subtracting fractions. We planned a non-chronological report about the human body which we will write next week. As scientists we completed an investigation about how exercise effects heart rate - ask your child what happened! You can help at home by exercising with your child and checking your heart rate before and after.