

Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

7 July 2023



Hello everyone,

I have always loved the word 'penultimate' meaning last but one. We have come to the end of the penultimate week in school. The Year 6 children are nearing the end of their Hannah More journey. They have been working hard on their play and I am excited about seeing it next week. The children have loved the art activities that they have been doing and I know that many of you will have enjoyed the exhibition this afternoon.



I have been out on training with other Headteachers and some of the work has been around trying to improve outcomes for all children. Historically, Bristol has let down some children. There is recognition that parents of children with additional needs – such as Autism – have been let down by the system. It often takes parents too long to get a diagnosis, and therefore the help that children need. There is recognition that it is harder for some families to even navigate the system and this often makes things unfair.



We had a productive parent voice session on Monday. It was great to talk about the children, the curriculum and the learning. Parents were open and honest about their experiences trying to help children at home. We can see that there is lots more that we can do. I have attached some notes for everyone who couldn't make it.

It is with mixed emotions that I have to let the school community know that Naimah Mahmood will be taking a year out of school for personal reasons. She was due to be moving to Year 3 next year. We will be interviewing for a replacement teacher during the holidays. Also, Soumia Seradj – both governor and LSA – will be leaving at the end of the year. Soumia does so much for the school and we are very grateful. She has recently stepped down from the governors and we thank her for everything she has done. She will be having a baby at the end of the year and we wish her well.



As you all know Sarah is leaving the office. Unfortunately, we are also going to be losing her husband Michael from the governing body. Michael has been a governor here for 30 years. He has been a great support to me in my first year as a Headteacher. He has so much knowledge and experience. Rest and retirement is well earned and we all wish him the best.

It is the last family swim tomorrow. If I don't see you there, I will see you next week.

Mr Hawkins
Headteacher

SUPERKIDS!



Reception: Adoreiyel

Lavender: Armani

Year 1: Mohamed Asiem

Year 2: Mariam

Year 3: Tommy and Hamza

Year 4: Abdulqader

Year 5: Hoodo and Fayola

Year 6: Francesca and Mysha



CLASS NEWS

LAVENDER

This week as artist we created artwork related to our trip last week to The While Place Project and painted some very colourful animals! As mathematicians we revised telling the time to and past the hour. We also enjoyed watching The Deadly 60 and learnt about dangerous animals! At home, ask your child about the things they enjoyed doing in Lavender this year.

RECEPTION

Reception enjoyed their new story 'Billy's Bucket' and drew what they thought they might find in their magic bucket. We enjoyed making bubble pictures as part of Arts Week. Please return all reading books to school next week. We will be giving out some words to practise reading over the holidays next week. Have you joined the library? Do visit and borrow some books to enjoy over the summer!

YEAR 1

This week we learnt about Africa. We pretended to be different African animals, listened to tinga tales, painted an African scene, made African necklaces, designed African clothes and learnt about African masks. We have been busy! Please return any borrowed Hannah More story books and phonics books if you have not done so yet.

YEAR 2

What fantastic art work we have seen in Year 2 this week - animal collages, totem poles, Mexican mirrors and rainsticks. In our study of North American arts, we also learnt about blues music. At home, please read with your child 5 times a week. Use Bug Club - ask your teacher if you have forgotten your login. Practise your 3 and 4 times table, including doing them out of order.

YEAR 3

This week Year 3 had fun learning about Oceania for Arts Week. We did weaving, dot painting, used oil pastels and made Lamington Cake. We also had an amazing time with Travelling Kitchen, cooking up a delicious feast which we all enjoyed on Wednesday. Please read with your child 5 times a week. Learn the 3, 4 and 8 times table facts out of order. Practise joined handwriting at home.

YEAR 4

We were very creative this week! From creating Chinese dragons and Japanese cherry blossom scrolls, to producing Asian inspired music and roleplays of Mulan - we enjoyed Arts Week a lot! As well as that, we worked in our new Year 5 classroom and visited IntoUniversity. At home, help your child complete their final round of homework, and get them ready for a week of fun and games as we finish our year in Swift class.

YEAR 5

Year 5 did some fantastic writing this week, imagining they are tadpoles and frogs! They continued their mathematicians work on units of measurement. We also explored the art of South America and used watercolours and crayons to make a variety of artworks. At home, keep encouraging your child to read at home.

YEAR 6

This week, Year 6 worked hard to get their performance together for next Wednesday! They had a lovely 'fun swim' at Easton for their last swimming session - they even got to use the slide! We also looked at Europe for Arts Week, we studied St Basil's Cathedral and Polish folk art. At home, keep encouraging your child to read at home.

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK...

celebration assembly!

Thursday 20 July @ 9:10am - 9:30am

SPLASH DAY!

THURSDAY 20 July

Children will need an entire change of clothes, including pants, socks and shoes. It is a good idea to have sliders or croc type shoes. They will also need a towel. Children will not be able to participate if they do not have a full change of clothes.

PTA SUMMER BAKE SALE

Thursday 20 July 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!



LEAVERS ASSEMBLY

Friday 21 July @ 9am

Leavers assembly for staff and Year 6
All parents/carers and family welcome



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make a difference**



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**Alzheimer's
Society**

Wednesday 19 July 9am-9:30am - Assembly for Children and Parents

Please join us for an assembly about dementia and the impact it can have in our community

Clean Air Zone

Individuals who earn less than £30,000 a year (previously £27,000) are now eligible for financial assistance to help change their vehicle to one that won't be charged in the zone.

Businesses with 5 or more vehicles can also now get financial support for their fleet.

What financial support is still available?

Financial support can significantly reduce the cost of replacing or adapting vehicles that don't meet the zone's emissions standards.

This will be a grant, a contribution towards the interest on a loan, or a combination of both. You could get up to £2,000 for a car and up to £4,500 for a van.

[Check your eligibility and apply online.](#)

SCHOOL LUNCH - PRICE INCREASE

From 1 September, school lunches will 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 **currently in Year 2**, you will need to **start paying for school dinners once they are in Year 3**. Please do check if you are eligible for Free School Meals at the link above.

Vouchers for families in need

Apply for a £50 supermarket voucher or a voucher for gas/electric top-up at a paypoint. Greggs charity are providing these to support some Hannah More families. You do not need to be eligible for free school meals. You do need to answer all the questions.

Please find the form at:

www.hannahmore.org.uk/images/Greggs_hardship_2023.pdf

or ask at the office.

Once completed, please email the form to:

friendsofhannahmore@gmail.com



Cultural Confidence at Hannah More

At Hannah More, we aim to offer children wide and varied learning experiences. This includes trips, visits, clubs, camps, art, music, community and holiday opportunities, celebrating culture - and much more. Sometimes this is part of the lessons and sometimes this is outside of the school day. We aim to build children's knowledge, social skills and cultural confidence beyond reading, writing and maths. We believe this helps them to succeed in the wider world. It is sometimes called 'cultural capital'.

We would like parents to help us plan some next steps by giving us honest opinions about what we do well and what we could do better. You can score each question from 1 (school does NOT do this well) to 5 (school does this VERY well).

Please use the QR code below to complete the survey - Thank You!



Step into schools

www.wea.org.uk

Do you want to work in a school as a:

- Teaching Assistant?
- Lunchtime Assistant?

Enrolling for September 2023!

Contact : Nel Parker - NParker@wea.ac.uk
07917837229

Study with us!

Join classes to learn about how to work in schools and
get experience working in a school for FREE*



**A brilliant
opportunity to gain
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to work in the
education sector**

What is Step into schools?

Step into school is a **free***
programme of learning that gives
you skills and experience you need
to work in the education sector.
Free for eligible learners*

You'll learn about:

- Special Education Needs (SEND)
- Safeguarding
- How to get ready to work in a school

**You'll take exams and get
certificates in:**

- Award in Mental Health Awareness
- Award in Meeting Needs of Learners with ADHD
- Award in Support Work in Schools

You'll get:

- Work experience in a nursery or school - we can pay for your DBS!
- One-to-one support for CVs and interview preparation
- Childcare and transport support

**If you are interested in
enrolling or finding out
more...**

**Katie Goldsmith from WEA
will be at school on**

Monday 10 July at 3pm

and

Wednesday 19 July at 9:30am.

**If you have any questions, you
can contact WEA or speak to
Emily in the School Office**

www.wea.org.uk

WHEN?

September - December 2023
January - July 2024
Monday- Friday
9:30- 12:00 and/or 12:30-15:00
(Childcare available)
Evenings - 18:00 - 20:30 (TBC)

WHERE?

BS2 8QH

Enrol today!

Contact :

Nel Parker -

NParker@wea.ac.uk

Text/WhatsApp

07917837229

Or come visit at:

WEA, 7 York Court, Wilder Street
BS2 8QH

Parent Voice Meeting – 10.07.23

Focus of the meeting: Homework and helping parents to help children outside of school.

Homework

Several parents spoke about homework club and how it used to be run after school on a Thursday to help parents and children with homework. This could be run by volunteers or staff. It works well because parents can support their children and speak to teachers about areas they need help with.

A lot of parents talked about the Maths and how they find that the methods are so different from how they were taught. This makes it hard to help children at home. Some ideas are;

- Leaders to make videos explaining the methods used at school
- Parents invited in to watch lessons or learn from the school staff

Book changing

Parents talked about books only being changed once a week. Could children change their own book? A parent suggested that there are other ways to read – such as a Kindle.

- School can look into how books are changed

Communication with teachers

A parent suggested that we could have a teacher email that they can contact when they need to communicate something to the teacher. Parents feel that they don't get a chance to speak to the teachers enough.

One of the parents suggested a mini report each term. This would be difficult to do in terms of workload.

- School will consider the amount of teacher parent meetings and whether we can increase these.
- Parents will get feedback on children's strengths and weaknesses each term so that they know what they can work on.
- Parent meetings will now be at the start of the year, the beginning of Term 3 (after the first set of data) and the beginning of Term 5 (after the second set of data). This will help parents to know exactly which areas need work.

It transpired that the MarvellousMe communication is not consistent across the classes. Some parents receive a lot more activities and badges than others.

- We will revisit the expectations in September. As a school we want parents to get lots of positive messages about what children are doing at school.

Behaviour

At the end of the meeting one of the parents spoke about behaviour. We didn't get a chance to discuss this. Parents were unhappy because some parents are still approaching children themselves rather than letting school deal with it.

The code of conduct does state that parents cannot approach children. It says:

Approaching someone else's child in order to chastise them because of their actions.

Parent Engagement Survey

The governors of Hannah More Primary School would like to understand where the school is now in terms of parental engagement, so that we can measure and document improvements in the school culture and in our community connections. We would like to ask your opinions about the statements below now, and again in six months' time, to measure how the improvements we are making have helped the school.

Please complete this survey by 6pm on 21 July.

We will only use the information collected in this survey to help us understand how parents feel about Hannah More, and analyse any potential differences among groups or types of people. All information collected is anonymous, and once it is compiled all individual survey documents will be destroyed.

Your contribution to helping us understand what is happening at Hannah More is very much appreciated.

You can do it online at - <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/QY2WKF/> or ask for a paper form at the office.

PHOTOS FROM THE WEEK...



YEAR 3 COOKING WORKSHOP!



BOLLYWOOD WOMEN'S NIGHT



Dress Code: Your traditional clothing!

BOOKING ESSENTIAL
PAY ON THE DOOR
+5 EACH
<https://bit.ly/444BQt3>

Women's only Bollywood Night, Join us for a fun Bollywood night with Indian Music, Entertainment and Thali from Nirmal and Hero. All women are welcome! Halal and Vegan Options available

Saturday 22 July, 6pm to 10pm (Food 6.30 to 7.30pm)
Easton Community Centre

FIND OUT MORE

CALL Abiir: 07539309326
EMAIL abiir@upourstreet.org.uk
WEBSITE eastsidecommunitytrust.org.uk



Thursday 27 July, 11am to 4pm

You are invited to Stapleton Road this summer. A world of creativity, flavour and unity on Bristol's most diverse, exciting and welcoming high street. With a huge variety of cafes, specialist shops, restaurants, and community projects there is plenty to discover.



COMMUNITY HUB

EASTON CHRISTIAN FAMILY CENTRE, BEAUFORT STREET, BS5 0SQ
CLIFTON PLACE, BS5 0SE
Celebrating the section between Rawnsley Park and Nadine's Caribbean Cafe.

Local businesses open onto the street, music, arts and crafts, face painting, henna, kids activities and community information.

EMPIRE FIGHTING CHANCE, BRUNEL CARE, HEALTH WATCH BRISTOL, BRIDGES FOR COMMUNITIES, BRISTOL HOSPITALITY NETWORK, EASTON LEISURE CENTRE, BETHEL CHURCH, BARAKA CAFE, AND ARTISTS WORKING ON THE STREET



This activity is being delivered under the City Centre and High Streets Recovery and Renewal programme, funded by Bristol City Council and the West of England Combined Authority's Love our High Streets project.

SCHOOL UNIFORM GIVEAWAY

DONATE NEW OR PRELOVED UNIFORMS

Mon 10 July - Tues 1 Aug
open 8am - 6pm
Monday to Friday

Easton Community Centre

SCHOOL UNIFORM GIVEAWAY

Tues 8 Aug, 1 - 3pm
Weds 23 Aug, 10am - 12pm

Felix Road Adventure Playground

PLEASE DONATE:

- School dresses, trousers, skirts, shorts
- Black leggings and jogging bottoms
- White polo shirts
- Black school shoes and PE pumps
- School jumpers
- Coats/ Raincoats

New or good condition second hand clothes only. Please wash and fold before donating and if you could sort by size that would help our volunteers. Thank you!



CONTACT
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EMAIL abiir@upourstreet.org.uk
Tracy CALL/ TEXT 07947 830 973 or
EMAIL tracyeb@upourstreet.org.uk

SUMMER CONVERSATION CLUBS!

17TH JULY - 18TH SEPTEMBER

WHERE TO FIND THEM!

- **TUESDAYS 17:30-18:30** Central Library Café Bristol BS1 5TL
- **WEDNESDAYS 17:30-18:30** Victoria Street Unite the Union, Tony Benn House, Victoria Street BS1 6AY
- **THURSDAYS 12:00-13:00** Methodist Church, Penpole Avenue, Shirehampton, Bristol, BS11 0DY

SIGN UP HERE!

Scan the QR code to start enrolment



STAY IN TOUCH WITH US!

Contact Aggie
07768500673

esolconversationclubs@bristol.gov.uk



SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

**Your
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Hundreds of
holiday activities
are available
in Bristol
Eligibility criteria apply



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Crafts

Performing
arts

yourholidayhubbristol.co.uk



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Summer in Barton Hill

Free activities for children and families
Priority spaces for families on free school meals

Mondays & Wednesday 24th July - 16th August

12-1.30pm - Drop in to make your own lunch

1.30pm - 3pm - Fun afternoons of art, craft, drama and play.

Booking essential for the play sessions - message Amy or book online www.stlukeslunch.home.blog/



St Luke's Church Crypt,
Church St, BS5 9FB
Amy 07801 762655
f Instagram stlukeslunch

Family Centre

Tuesday 1st August 11.30 - 2pm - Family Nature Day at Wellspring Family Centre - Lots of activities for all ages, along with some healthy cooking activities preparing lunch.

Tuesday 15th August 11.30 to 2pm - Family Picnic and Sports Day at Netham Park. Bring along a picnic, and join in a fun filled day of activities and games for all the family. Snacks provided.

www.wellspringsettlement.org.uk



Ducie Road
BS5 0AX
0117 357 4192

Mondays & Wednesdays 12-4pm - sports, cooking, trips, nature connection in **Urban Park**.

Children aged 0-16 accompanied by parents/carers
To book contact bactivityclub@gmail.com



Thursdays 10am-1pm - Free play and food @Urban Park, throughout the summer holiday as part of the Bristol HAF programme.

Contact - henton@lpw.org.uk for more information.



Your family is invited to the

ST LUKE'S LUNCH

Join us this holiday to eat, play and make new friends.

Monday 24th & 31st July
Wednesday 26th July, 9th & 16th August

Family Cafe 12 - 1.30pm

Travelling Light 1.30 - 3pm*

Drop in to create your own lunch.

Fun afternoons of art, craft, drama and play. Spend time with our artists and explore different materials, tell stories and create imaginary worlds.

Families only (no drop off), last entry for lunch 1pm. Booking not required.

*Drop off available for children 7-11.

Parents that are willing to participate, can stay with 4 - 6 year olds.

*Booking required.



St Lukes Church, Church Street, Barton Hill, BS5 9FB
Crypt entrance, back of the church towards Urban Park

Wednesday 2nd August 12 - 3pm

St Agnes Park Big Play Day*

Picnic, play and games

Meet us in the park or walk to the park together.
*Booking required for the picnic

Monday 7th August 12 - 3pm

St George's Park Picnic & Play*

Picnic, play and games.

Meet us in the park or walk to the park together.
*Booking required for the picnic

*Booking is essential for the trips and Travelling Light activities.

Priority given to families on benefit related free school meals.

Request a space www.stlukeslunch.home.blog
or message Amy for the booking form link
07801 762655 lunchstlukes@gmail.com



Tuesday 25 July, 15 August, 22 August, 12:00 pm - 16:00pm

Thursdays 27 July, 17 August, 13:00pm - 17:00pm

Barton Hill Urban Park

Free to show up, you can also prebook by contacting:

Contact Mohamed - bristolomalioyouthvoice@hotmail.com

07576 738583/07449 919302



ALL SAINTS FAMILY CAFE

Free food available for all the family.
Activities for primary school aged children.

Play sports and games

Create with crafts

Make new friends

Free food available for
all the family.

Tuesdays

1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd August

Thursdays

3rd, 10th, 24th August

3pm - 5.30pm

All Saint's Church
Grove Rd, Fishponds
BS16 2BW
(no religious content)



Booking is essential as space is limited.

www.allsaintsfishponds.co.uk/asfc Or

Message Amy 07749 812131

allsaintsfamilycafe@gmail.com

who will send you the booking form link.

Priority given to families on eligible free school meals.

Instagram Facebook @allsaintsfamilycafe

PARTY ^{in the} PARK

Sunday 16th July 2023
12-4pm
Dings Park, Oxford Street,
BS2 0QU

FREE ENTRY

- Tug-of-War
- BBQ
- Raffle
- Chilli Eating
- Football Tournament
- Facepainting and henna
- Invisible Circus
- Chubby Bunnies
- Science Demo
- Cakes and coffee/tea
- AND MORE!

Money raised from the event will go to funding our Youth Club for another year!

For more info go to <https://www.thedings.co.uk>

FUN FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES

A Dings Community Association event made possible with our partners:



Family Fun AT TRINITY

10AM - 12PM EVERY FRIDAY DURING SUMMER

Free sessions with activities available for 0-11 year olds

Play, sing, share stories, nature play, drumming and dance

Have supportive discussions around health, behaviour, infant feeding and safety.

Parents / carers are responsible for their children at all times during the session.

SESSION DATES:
28 JULY
4 AUGUST
11 AUGUST
18 AUGUST
25 AUGUST

PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN: CENTRAL BRISTOL CHILDRENS CENTRE, LAWRENCE HILL HEALTH CENTRE, TRINITY

TRINITY:

TRINITY COMMUNITY ARTS, THE TRINITY CENTRE, BRISTOL, BS2 0QU
INFO@TRINITYCENTRE.CO.UK 0117 925 1204
RENTAL & CASHIER NUMBER: 0117 925 1204

Central Bristol Children's Centre

Social Scaffolding art collective

creativity - collaboration - care - connection - conversation - community

An exhibition of immersive & interactive artworks by Lou Baker, Juliet Duckworth & Alyson Minkley at The Galleries, Bristol BS1 3DQ. Find us in unit BG21 on the ground floor opposite Boswells café.

15 - 30 July
Open 11am - 4pm
Thursdays - Sundays
or book a Wednesday workshop for local community/education groups.

www.socialscaffolding.art @social.scaffolding.artists
or email socialscaffoldingartcollective@gmail.com to book a community session.

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