

Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

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Hello everyone

What a lot we have learnt already this term! Key Stage 2 children have enjoyed using Chromebooks and getting to grips with google classroom this week. Younger children have had iPads lent to them and have enjoyed using them for their work. Lots of parents took part in year group Zoom catch-ups and almost 100 people joined us remotely for assembly this morning.

We are of course missing seeing many children in school. However, it is important that we continue follow the advice of the local authority and keep our school - and the wider community - as safe as possible. Limiting our numbers, in line with official advice, is crucial and we thank you for your support with this.

I have really enjoyed reading chapters of 'Floodland' and 'Cosmic' for year 5 and 6 online learning this week.

We were delighted to be part of some new tree planting at school on Wednesday. We received young trees from the 'One Tree Per Child' project, who plant trees in schools, parks and open spaces.

There are four new trees by the kitchen; in Spring the blossom (Crab Apple and Wild Cherry) will be lovely for bees! The other planting, by the ballcourt and on the field is mixed native hedgerow plants.



Sue Ramsay,
Headteacher.

Almost 100 participants at today's Assembly - lovely to see you all!



SUPERKIDS!



Home learners

Reception - Idiris
Year 1 - Humza
Year 2 - Sara
Year 3 - Jamal
Year 4 - Nasima
Year 5 - Vega
Year 6 - Salma

School learners

Reception - Maya
Year 1 - Sophia
Year 2 - Yusuf
Year 3 - Nazmin
Year 4 - Amina
Year 5 - Mohammed
Year 6 - Alyssia Mae

Food Boxes



We believe that children not in school who are eligible for free school meals will receive vouchers from next week.

We will let you know as soon as we hear details. We will continue to provide food boxes from school on Tuesdays. Reserve a box **before**

Monday by emailing

friendsofhannahmore@gmail.com

Happy Birthday

HANNAH MORE!!



Cake Competition

This year's cake decorating competition is a little different... We would like families to bake and decorate a cake at home and send in a picture to the school email.

The top 2 cakes will win a prize for the whole family.

More details next week!

Bristol's SEND Local Offer

Information and support for ages 0 - 25 with Special Educational Needs and Disability

www.bristol.gov.uk/bristol-local-offer

Bristol wants to hear from children and young people with SEND and their parents / carers. The survey takes 15 minutes and you could win a voucher! The link to the survey is here: [Survey of Parents and Carers of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disability Spring 2021 - Bristol - Citizen Space](#)

Lots of you have asked about getting the most out of Bug Club. We will talk about this at the Parent Zoom meetings but in the meantime, check out this video on YouTube about how to collect rewards.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rPl4nXm-WmA&ab_channel=PearsonMiddleEast



Reception

Reception made their own robots to use to practise reading words . We enjoyed the books 'Not a box' and 'Not a stick' and used our imaginations to think what our boxes could be. As Mathematicians we practised 'more' and 'fewer' and used our number fans and 5 frames to show amounts. **Help at home by reading as often as possible—either the books in your book bag or on Bug Club. Remember to read each book 3 times to develop fluency. See the video on Tapestry for more about reading books.**

Year 1

The year 1 adults have been very impressed with all the work completed by children at school and at home. This week we learnt to complete more challenging addition sums using the 'counting on' method. We also learnt the story of Dip Dap. **You can help at home by counting from 1-20 and reading the books on Bug Club - and answering simple questions about the text.**

Year 2

This week we continued to learn about multiplication in maths. In English, children wrote fantastic character descriptions to describe Traction Man. In Enquiry, we thought about the properties of materials and learnt some tricky vocabulary! **You can help at home by going on Times Tables Rockstars to help your child get fluent in their 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Read every day on Bug Club!**

Year 3

This week as authors the children wrote some fantastic descriptions of Viking heroes and dangerous settings. As mathematicians we started to explore money. Please make sure your child is reading 5 times a week on Bug Club. Let us know if you need help logging in. Make sure your child is on time for our daily learning calls in the morning and the afternoon!

Year 4

This week we explored volume and pitch as scientists, learning all about the vibrations of sound waves! As Authors, we wrote from the perspective of Varjak and discussed what he would do next! We are getting much quicker on our times tables as mathematicians and we also learnt some written methods for multiplication and division. **Help at home by practising times tables as much as possible and reading together with your child. Don't forget to do lots of activities on Bug Club and Times Tables Rockstars!**

Year 5

Yay! Everyone now has their Chromebooks and we have had a largely very successful first week using Google Classroom. We have been so impressed with the attendance and effort. This week, we learnt about Isaac Newton and created some amazing fact files about him. We also improved our computer skills. **Help at home by making sure your children are completing the online learning fully and are at the meetings on time.**



We've had a great first week on Google Classroom with almost every child fully engaged in their online learning (as well as the at-school learners working extremely hard!). As mathematicians, we learned to calculate with decimal numbers. As authors, we explored the character of William and rewrote a part of the Floodland story in our own words. As engineers, we learned to use a range of computing software to support our work. **Help at home by asking your child to show you all the new computing skills they have learned this week.**

Parents' zoom meetings

Join in to give feedback, ask questions and get support. We are also planning some after-school family fitness session with Mr Rossetti.



Tuesday 26 Jan - 12.00	Times-tables workshop: ways to help at home. All parents very welcome!
Thursday 28 Jan - 12.00	Writing workshop: encouraging children to write more. All parents very welcome!
Friday 29 Jan - 12.00	Year 2 parents' - home learning meeting
Monday 1 Feb - 1.00	Year 3 parents' - home learning meeting
Thursday 4 Feb - 12.00	Reception parents' - home learning meeting
Thursday 4 Feb - 1.00	Year 1 parents' - home learning meeting
Monday 8 Feb - 12.00	Year 4 parents' - home learning meeting
Thursday 11 Feb - 12.00	Year 5 parents' - home learning meeting
Thursday 11 Feb - 1.00	Year 6 parents' - home learning meeting

FUN HANDWRITING activities for kids

