

Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

15th April 2016

Welcome back everyone!

We have had some beautiful sunny weather which has been ideal for exploring our new outside areas. The beach is wonderful! It provides opportunities for play that develops important social skills, fine motor control, imaginative role play and problem solving. Children have been having lots of fun and have been really sensible as well.

There's lots coming up this term, including family swimming sessions and our fabulous Stay and Play sessions starting in May. This is a chance to stay with your child after school, for exciting outdoor fun with playworkers from APE project. Next Tuesday we also have a family information morning, with advice on benefits and social care, plus henna, nail art - and cake!

We have had problems with the school website this week, so teachers have been unable to add anything new. There is still lots of news and some lovely class blogs from last term, so please have a look if you have not caught up.

Please be aware that there are several school closure dates coming up. As well as the Bank Holiday on 2nd May, school is also closed for the elections on 5th May and the referendum on 23rd June. We know this is annoying, but it's important to remember that democracy is a key British value, so we are pleased to support this.

Have a good weekend,

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher.

School will be closed 2nd and 5th May and 23rd June.

This week's **LEARNING CHAMPIONS!**



Reception: Nagie and Khalid

Year 1: Ali and Divora

Year 2: Zakaria and Safiya

Year 3: Zaynab and Linaz

Year 4: Mohamed and Kahiem

Year 5: Sophia and Alahna

Year 6: Abdi H and Osiris

the Beach



Sewing course

Improve your sewing skills by making some dressing-up clothes for school to use.



Friday mornings from 10th June.

Sign up in the Community room if you are interested.

"Moving up to Year 1"

Support and information for Reception parents. Find out how you can help your child with their learning as they move to Year 1.

Thursday mornings 9.15 - 11.15

Starts 9th June.

Free crèche available.

Sainsbury's



**PLEASE COLLECT
SAINSBURY'S
VOUCHERS!**

**Put your vouchers in the
box at the office!**

Family

Information Morning

Information and advice.

Find out about new benefit changes. Plus henna, nail art, coffee and cake!

Tuesday 19 April 9-11

talking money

advice, support & information penny wise



@hannahmorepri



from
Syria
with love

A collection of artwork by Syrian children

29th April– 1st May

Free entry, donations welcome

The New Room, John Wesley's Chapel



A school dinner now costs £2.

Have a look at the new menu on the website under 'Our School– School Office'



Family Swim sessions

Saturdays 6 -7pm

May 7th and May 21st

Tickets available the Monday before each swim!



Stay and Play is back!

Come and play on the field after school.
Please note: parents must come with their children to Stay and Play.

Thursdays 12, 19, 26 May 9, 16, 30 June 14, 21 July. 3.30-5.00

This week's learning...

Reception classes ... This week we learnt a new story called 'Beegu'. We thought about what happens in the story and learnt how to ask and answer 'how' and 'why' questions. You can help at home by talking to your child about our new story. What happens at the start, middle and end of the story? How does Beegu feel?

Year 1 ... In Literacy we started to look at the story 'The Snail and the Whale'. The teachers did a special performance of the story and then we painted our own front covers for the book. In Maths we discussed days of the week, months of the year and learnt to say the date. **At home, please talk with your child about what day and month it is.**

Year 2... In Literacy we have been learning the story of Pirate Tom. In Numeracy we have been adding using the column method. We enjoyed having fun exploring the new beach area. **Please help at home by helping your child complete their homework.**

Year 3 ... On Tuesday we enjoyed a Mad Science workshop. We stopped a volcano from destroying a city and confused a compass using magnets. On Wednesday we enjoyed our beach celebration. We have also been swimming, begun to learn about comic strips and practised telling the time. **Please help your child to tell the time.**

Year 4 ... This week we started to look at data and interpreting bar charts and line graphs. We started our new Topic of Rivers and in Literacy we studied the Three Gorges Dam. We also took part in an exciting debate using persuasive language to try and convince each other why the dam should or shouldn't be built. **At home, please ask your child about the Three Gorges Dam in China and reasons why it should or should not be built! Ask your child to explain continuous and discrete data.**

Year 5... This week we looked at our new class story 'Manitoo and Ray's Discovery' which you can read on our class blogs. We acted out different parts of it. In Maths we compared and answered questions about line graphs and drew our own. We enjoyed the beach opening on Wednesday and started off our topic by looking and asking questions about Mount Everest. **Please ask your child to show you the actions for the class story and try to find some examples of graphs in every day life.**

Year 6 ... This week we wrote setting descriptions of the rainforest. In Maths we revised our division skills including practising the long division method and dividing fractions. We enjoyed the beach celebration activities this week and ended the week with a class reward. **Please help at home by supporting your child to complete and review their revision pack.**

