Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

15th December 2017





Hello everyone

It has been a busy last week of term with some lovely things to celebrate. I really enjoyed talking to our learning champions this afternoon and finding out more about how proud their teachers are of them. We were also delighted to hear that we had won a second award from Kellogg's for our free breakfast club. Three children went along to the Houses of Parliament to collect the award!

We said a fond farewell to Sophie Smith in assembly this morning. Many of you know Sophie through her work in the Sunflower room. She is planning to spend

more time with her family in the New Year

- we wish her all the very best.

Have a lovely break and a peaceful Christmas,

Best wishes

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher.





Have a wonderful holiday and we will see you back in school on Wednesday 3rd January!

This term's **LEARNING CHAMPIONS!**



Reception: Jamal and Akram

Year 1: Lawand and Jasmine

Year 2: Binta and Hassan

Year 3: Asad and Muaad

Year 4: Zakiah and Morino

Year 5: Ahmed M and Mohamed A

Year 6: Asia and Muniro



A big well done to Yusuf Askar & Ella Messai in Year 1, who have both won a Free 6 Month Pass at Playspace for great Pedometer readings!

A big Well Done to them!!

They took part in the Annual Pedometer challenge whilst on a school trip to Playspace.





Parent Governor Election

The votes for the Parent Governor election have been counted and we are delighted to inform you that Tangna Wright has been elected as our new Parent Governor.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the parents/carers who supported the school by standing for election and to all of those who took the time to cast their vote.

Activities for Hannah More parents - January 2018

We welcome parents at our school and we run lots of courses for adults. All courses are free and have crèche. More information available on the website and in the newsletter.

TUESDAYS

9:15 - 11:15 - Help your child to read - for ESOL learners

Find out ways to help with reading at home and improve your English. Complete the course to get a free book. Register on 16 Jan 9:15 - 10:15. This course is suitable for ESOL learners.

9:15 - 11:15 - Mums' drama group

All mums welcome at this group which includes lots of laughter. Meet other mums, create a show and if you want, you can perform it at the acta thatre! <u>Drop in any week to find out more</u>.

WEDNESDAYS

9:00 - 10:00 - Conversation Club - Improve your English

Drop in to this group to practise your speaking and listening skills and meet others. No need to register, just <u>drop in any week</u>. This group meets in the Hub.

THURSDAYS

9:15 - 11:15 - Computer course

Need help with job searching, setting up email or other computer skills? Come along to our new course. All welcome, especially learners who don't have a level 2 qualification.

Sign up in the office and then register on 11 January.

9:00 - 11.15 - ESOL entry 2/3 level

ESOL course for all learners at entry 2/3 level. Free course, free creche. Register 11 January.

FRIDAYS

9.45 - 11.45 - Mindfulness for Parents

These sessions look at how we deal with the stress and worry which can come from being a parent. Learn how to keep calm when faced with difficulties. 3 sessions only, 19, 26 January and 2 February! Sign up in the office or come along on 19 January.

9.45 -10.30 - Mums' fitness

Ladies only fitness sessions in the Sports hall with Miss Stevens. All abilities and fitness levels welcome. In January we will try volleyball. Drop in to find out more.

What have we been learning?

Reception

We are so proud of all of the Reception children this week. They were so confident at performing their Nativity for the rest of the school and their families. Well done to you all! We also enjoyed Christmas fun with counting games, crafts and parties! At home, please read books on 'bug club' over the holidays. Also talk about the shapes and patterns you see in decorations.

Year 1

In literacy this week we wrote our own snowflake poems. We included adjectives and similes to make our poems more exciting. In maths we have been making numbers and completing fun maths investigations. In topic we have been learning about the local area and finding different places on a map. At home, help your children to notice shapes in the environment. For example, noticing square windows, rectangular doors and circular

Year 4

This week year 4 were busy creating classroom decorations, making decorations and cards and enjoying a class party! They We also completed lots of creative activities linked to our class stories in their reading lessons. We ended the term with our class treats: a trip to the park and an electronics day! At home, please support your child to practise the 11 and 12 times tables.

Year 5

Read with your child regularly, and if possible help them access Bug Club and answer the questions relating to the texts they read.

Year 2

In maths we learned about bar charts and pictograms. In literacy, we performed a poem and used visualisation to draw illustrations to match the text. In topic, we made an Indian sari. We also had our Christmas party with Year 4 which was great fun. At home, making sure your child knows the term 2 spellings.

Year 3

This week we learned to multiply tens numbers in maths. In English we wrote a 'rags to riches' story. In art lessons we explored the work of Vassily Kandinsky. At home, please make sure your children read every day!

Year 6

We went on two trips this week to watch plays; one at Bristol Old Vic (The Little Matchbox Girl), and a series of plays at City Academy. Both classes made their teachers really proud on both these trips. We also had our chocolates judged by Dragon Ramsay as we persuaded her to invest in our inventions! At home, support your child with their homework projects.