

Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

16th December 2016



Hello everyone

Here we are at the end of another busy term. We have thoroughly enjoyed performances from Reception and Year 4 this week and we had fun this afternoon at class parties. Thank you very much to those parents who kindly brought in food to share.

At this morning's assembly we were proud to watch a short film made by Rob Mitchell, with some children who are leaders in school. This was such an inspiring insight into the futures that our children would like to see, and would like to contribute towards. We will be sharing the film more widely in the New Year and also hope to invite families of the children involved to a special cinema viewing.

Today we said goodbye to Tina Oram, who is moving to a leadership role in another school. It has been wonderful having her at Hannah More in our Foundation stage team and we wish her all the very best for the future.

A very happy Christmas to all those who are celebrating. I hope you have a wonderful break and return to school refreshed and ready for another term of learning.

Sue Ramsay
Headteacher.

Term 3 starts on Wednesday 4th January

This term's **LEARNING CHAMPIONS !**



Reception: Afnan and Alex

Year 1: Hala and Erwa

Year 2: Yahya and Ali

Year 3: Numa and Mahamud

Year 4: Nancy and Nashwa

Year 5: Seham and Amal

Year 6: Ty-la and Mohamed

Bike Breakfast

Need a new bike?
Need a simple repair?
Get your tyres pumped or
your brakes fixed. Or swap
your bike for a bigger one
from just £10!



Next bike breakfast 17th January 8-8.30

Lost Property



Last chance to claim any lost things! We will
recycle lost property at the end of term!

Carols in the Underpass

Wednesday 21 December, 4pm to 6pm,
Lawrence Hill Underpass Join the Up Our
Street team for their annual Carols with
Hot chocolate, mince pies and chocolate!



Healthy Eating Cookery Course

Tuesdays afternoons from January.
Register on 10th January at 2pm .

BUG CLUB workshop - Thursday 12th January 9-10.

Find out more about this fantastic online reading
programme and how to use it at home to support your
child's reading. Register at the office or email
ruth.cochran@bristol-schools.uk to reserve a place.





FAMILIES CONNECT



Save the Children

A new course for Year 1 / 2 parents and children!

Understanding feelings, exploring stories, playing with numbers.

Starts Wednesday 25 January 2.30 - 4.30

Find out more at a coffee morning on Wednesday 18 January, 9.00.

Free childcare - and playspace vouchers when you complete the course!

What have we learnt this week?

Reception classes ... Well done Ladybirds and Caterpillars! The Nativity play was brilliant! Your mums, dads and friends were very happy and proud of you! This week we also created pictures using flat shapes such as squares, circles and triangles. We enjoyed creating a space rocket using shapes as well. **Please support us at home by noticing shapes all around you. Can you spot square windows, rectangular doors and circular street signs?**

Year 1 ... In numeracy this week we learnt about 2D and 3D shapes. We enjoyed going on a shape hunt and identifying a range of different shapes all around us. In literacy we wrote stories and sequenced pictures in the correct order. We enjoyed visiting a local Church as part of our topic, learning about different places of worship. We are looking forward to going to the Mosque next term, so we can compare the two buildings. **Please help at home by looking out for shapes in the environment, such as square windows, rectangular doors and circular street signs.**

Year 2... This week we made lots of links in our learning and worked hard in our assessments. We are so proud of all the learning we have done this term!! We look forward to the new year when we will continue to make lots of progress! **Please support your child's learning at home by counting forwards and backwards in ones and tens.**

Year 3 ... This week we learned how to calculate the perimeter of a shape. We used our skills to try a tricky investigation. In Literacy, we published our 'Ning Nang Nong' poems, and included a mechanism using levers and linkages. We also finished our topic by putting on a Chinese Celebration! **At home, please help your child to do some research about the human body, skeletons and muscles in preparation for our Science topic next term.**

Year 4 ... This week we finished practising for our performance which was fantastic when we performed it yesterday! On top of this, the children have written a fantasy story and letters in response to those sent to us by children from Uganda. **At home, please encourage your child to write stories over the holidays.**

Year 5... This week we created Art work all about how people from different religions give to others. We discussed lots of similarities, which was really interesting. We worked hard on our DT topic this week too focusing on 'mechanical devices' such as gears, pulleys and levers. We designed and made our own models using K'Nex. **You can help at home by supporting your child to research our Author of the term and read some of his books!**

Year 6 ... This week, we finished off our maths learning by reviewing our assessments. We have had a great growth mindset while approaching this. In literacy, we wrote poems that connect to our topic. We also watched a fantastic video made for us by BBC Breakfast's Steph McGovern! We made our Fairtrade chocolates and pitched them to the 'Hannah More Dragons' (Mr Webster and Mr Wells!) using her tips. **At home, please make sure you watch Steph's video on our class blog. Please help with the project your child chooses over the holidays as well.**

Keep reading over the holidays everyone!