

Hannah More Newsletter

7th December 2018



Hello everyone

It's beginning to look very Christmassy around school and we have lots of events planned between now and the end of term. Everyone is welcome to come and watch the Reception classes' nativity play on Wednesday 19th as well as Year 5's production of 'The Snow Queen' on Thursday 20th. Some parents will also be there, serving refreshments and selling raffle tickets, so please bring some money with you! There will also be a chance for you to come and look at this term's learning - teachers will let you know when these opportunities are.

We have been especially grateful for the support of several local businesses this week. Our wonderful buddies were here as usual on Thursday to read and play maths games and Turner and Townsend volunteers came to visit Year 3 classes, bringing a wonderful selection of new books to inspire children's reading. Work has also started to renovate Sunflower room, thanks to a generous donation from Wates.

Have a lovely weekend,

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher.



**CHRISTMAS
LUNCH**

**Thursday 19th December will be Christmas Dinner
Day at school!**

**Festive Roast Turkey dinner or a Quorn Roast for the
vegetarian option. There will be no Jacket Potato/Salad Bar.**



Reception: Zedeciah and Ismael

Year 1: Maid and Aleeyah

Year 2: Maryam and Narmin

Year 3: Maryan and Sacidyo

Year 4: Yackhob and Abdullrahman

Year 5: Gracie and Saleeban

Year 6: Zaynab and Szymon



On Monday our Year 5/6 football team played against Clifton College. The boys all put in 100% effort and kept pushing until the final whistle, they did however experience their first loss. However, after the match we received a lovely email from a Clifton College parent who said.....

“how impressed we were with the politeness and friendliness with which we were greeted, not only by your staff but also by the pupils and parents who spoke to us afterwards, congratulating us on our win. The school had a real welcoming, family feel to it, which is a credit to you all”.

As a thank you and to show their appreciation we then received a cheque for **£1,000** from Lancer Scott (the company of the parent visitor) to show their appreciation. **WELL DONE EVERYONE!**



Working at Hannah More ...

We are currently recruiting for 2 temporary lunchtime supervisors to cover maternity leave. Please ask at the office if you would like an application form. We are also

recruiting a More 4 Kids playworker for 2/3 afternoons at our after-school club. For this post, please see the website and apply online.

www.hannahmore.org.uk/our-community/working-at-hannah-more



We would like to say a **HUGE CONGRATULATIONS** to Steph Jackson, Asho Abdulkadir and Charlotte Taylor who have all recently had their **BABIES!!**

We are very pleased for you all and hope you and your babies are doing well.

We can't wait for the babies to visit the school for lots of cute cuddles!

What have we been learning?

Reception.... This week we learnt to show numbers in different ways. We used bead strings, Numicon and ten frames and practised using our fingers and marks to show a number. We have also been learning about the Christian festival, Christmas and what Advent means. Please read at home and comment in the yellow book. Bring book bags into school EVERY DAY! Practise sounds using the sound mat in your child's book bag.

Year 1... We went on a sound walk around our local area to start our new enquiry 'Where is my city?' As mathematicians, we continued to explore place value and worked out how many tens and ones are in numbers to 20. At home, please read with your child! You can also practise reading numbers 11-20 and getting your child to tell you how many tens and ones there are.

Year 4... this week we learnt about perspective drawing and had an attempt on our own. Swallow class had their final ukulele lesson and did a fantastic performance to Swift class, who are now feeling very motivated for their lessons, starting next week! At home, help your child to practice times tables and the related division calculations.

Year 5 ... this week we learnt about comparing characters in different texts, focusing on what is similar about them and what is different about them. In maths we practised the written method for multiplication. Also, we learned about the Singh Twins Art work and started planning our own versions At home, please support your child to practise their lines for our performance.

Year 2... We started a new book 'Pattan's Pumpkin' and acted out our own stories using a real pumpkin! As mathematicians we continued to explore money. As part of our enquiry we practised making a healthy meal and got to taste each others! At home, please look at different coins and notes with your child. Show them how you pay with money in shops and the change you receive.

Year 3... We had an amazing visit from volunteers from Turner & Townsend who gave us lots of new books. As mathematicians we have been multiplying and dividing by 8. During Enquiry this week we have been understanding how and why we get volcanos and earthquakes. At home, please listen to your child read 3 times a week (or more!) and ask questions. Encourage your child to practise their times tables as well.

Year 6... We have shown off all our fractions knowledge this week and are now moving on to decimals in maths. In English, we have been unpicking and writing playscripts based on scenes in Skellig. In our Enquiry lessons, we have researched and debated medicinal influencers from history and discussed who was the most influential. At home, please practise children's arithmetic facts - be as efficient as you can!

Our new Hannah More parents' group is looking for people to get involved! Come and speak to Charlene and Vicky at the Reception and Year 5 performances on 19th and 20th December. They are organising refreshments and a raffle. AND... why not get arty and design a logo for the group.

You could win a £10 book token!

Competition time!

Design a logo for our new parents' group! Draw your idea and hand it in to the office with your name and class. Win a prize!



Reception Performance

Wednesday 19th Dec, 2pm.



Year 5 Performance

Thursday 20th Dec, 2pm.

Parents/carers are welcome, there will be refreshments and raffle tickets on sale after both performances.

Class Christmas parties



Key Stage 1 ~ Thursday 20th December in Afternoon

Key Stage 2 ~ Friday 21st December in the Afternoon

Please feel free to bring in food and drinks on these days for all of the children to enjoy as a final treat before the end of the term!