

# Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

## 4th November 2022



Hello all

Although it has been a shorter week for the children, they have managed to pack a lot of learning in. Year 6 have been talking enthusiastically about the tomb that they created in Zone 6. I have seen some accomplished diary entries from the perspective of Howard Carter when he and his team discovered Tutankhamun's tomb. Children have been excited about their new enquiries. This term they are:

Year 1 - How can we play in different ways?

Year 2 - How do plants grow and how can we live a healthy life?

Year 3 - What is underneath our feet?

Year 4 - Who is predator; Who is prey?

Year 5 - What goes on behind the scenes?

Year 6 – How has our understanding of the human body changed?

We had our first celebration assembly yesterday and Mrs Barbour introduced a new 'Hannah More Newsdesk' feature. Each week, different year groups will make a news video about their learning. The video will be played in assembly but we will also put the link in the newsletter. You can watch the first one here:

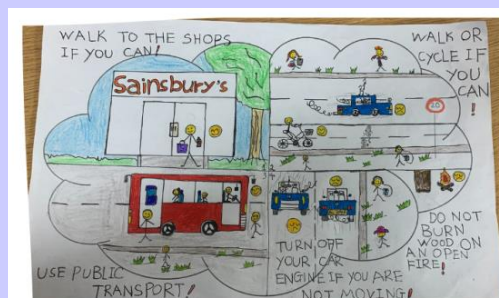
<https://vimeo.com/manage/videos/766862132>

Following out parent voice meeting before the holidays, we have added the points raised along with my responses in this newsletter. Our next meeting will be online at 8pm on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November. I am keen to try and give everyone the opportunity to have their voice so we will try out different times and approaches.

Sports clubs will start again next Tuesday. If your child has a space you should have received a text today.

If you are celebrating bonfire night this weekend, be safe and enjoy yourselves. See you all next week.

Mr Hawkins



Well done to Harvey and Asenat for being shortlisted for the Clean Air Zone poster competition - winner will be announced soon!



# SUPERKIDS!

**Year 1: Mascub**

**Year 2: Yusuf**

**Year 3: Amal and Akira**

**Year 4: Musab**

**Year 5: Dago and Abdulrauf**

**Year 6: Narmin and Mysha**





## YEAR 1

This week we were introduced to our new book of the term - 'Toys in Space'. We were captivated by space and created our own telescopes to help us be astronomers! In maths, we wrote our own addition sentences. At home read with your child every day. On a clear night, see if you can see stars and the moon with you child and talk about what you can see.

## Year 2

This week Year 2 started work on our new book 'Pattan's Pumpkin'. We also practised our adding skills and as scientists we started to learn about seeds and plants. Please read with you child 5 times a week. Practise times tables on Times Table Rockstars.

## YEAR 3

We began our new enquiry 'What is Underneath our Feet' and learnt about the earth as scientists and geographers. We also started our new book 'Pebble in our Pocket' and this really made us look at stones differently! Please read with your child 5 times a week. Learn the 2 and 5 times table facts out of order. Check out the Year 3 blog on our school website to see what we are doing!

## Year 4

As mathematicians we learnt to use column subtraction with one or more exchanges while as authors we explored our new book 'Fantastic Mr Fox', writing our ideas for the next part of the story. In our enquiry - 'Who is a predator? Who is prey?' - we explored different animal characteristics and how teeth are used to different effect! At home ask your child how different teeth are used to do different things to our food.

## YEAR 5

In the first week of Term 2 we started our new book 'Street Child'. We acted out what characters are thinking/feeling. We began our enquiry 'What goes on behind the scenes?' by being musicians and composed soundscapes! As mathematicians we learnt about factors and common factors. At home help your child with their homework and spellings ready for our Monday test.

## Year 6

In Year 6 this week we explored ancient tombs as Egyptologists - discovering artefacts and deciphering hieroglyphics! We also started reading our new book 'Wolf wilder' and learnt all about where it is set - Russia. At home please help you child by reading with them.

# HANNAH MORE NEWSDESK



Watch the first of our new 'Hannah More Newsdesk' videos at <https://vimeo.com/766862132>.

Thanks to the Year 5 team!



# VISIT THE HUB!

Come along to see Iwona in The Hub and borrow books to take home! It is open to children and families on Tuesdays and Fridays after school until 3:30pm. We have got lots of new books so come and have a browse!

## Friends of Hannah More AGM

Friends of Hannah More is a registered charity linked to the school, providing community activities and support for families. The Friends' AGM is on 17th November at 5pm, in the community space at school. Everyone is welcome; if you would like to attend, please email [friendsofhannahmore@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofhannahmore@gmail.com)

We can cover after-school club costs if needed, please contact us at least a week ahead to arrange this.

## FLU VACCINATIONS

Flu vaccination catch-up clinics are available for all who did not receive their vaccination at school. Please book an appointment at <https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2022/bookflu> to book either nasal or injectable flu. If you have any queries please contact the Immunisation Team directly on 0300 124 5515 or email [sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net](mailto:sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net)

## E-SAFETY

Next week each year group will be having an E-safety assembly and task themed around 'Security and Privacy'. Year 1 & 2 will learn about sharing personal details online, Year 3 & 4 will learn about how certain websites and devices gather data, and Year 5 & 6 will be investigating what it actually means when we accept terms and conditions!

There will now be termly E-safety assemblies and lessons to make sure everyone is confident in how to be responsible and safe online.

In the coming weeks we will also introduce a parent bulletin as a part of the newsletter to help you stay up to date as well.



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# BONFIRE NIGHT!



**A BIG THANK YOU TO...THE STAFF, PTA AND VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED OUT ON THE NIGHT, THE PEOPLE AT WATES FOR THE WOOD, AND TO LAURA FROM COLOURFUL MINDS FOR THE CRAFTING! IT WAS GREAT TO SEE SO MANY PEOPLE THERE!**

## COMING UP THIS TERM!

**School Photographer**

**MONDAY 14 NOVEMBER**

**PHOTOS OF CHILDREN AND SIBLINGS**

**Children in Need – Dress Down Day**

**FRIDAY 18 NOVEMBER – PLEASE BRING A DONATION IF YOU CAN, TO HELP US RAISE MONEY FOR CHILDREN IN NEED!**

**Winter Disco!**

**THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER 3:15PM – 5:30PM**



# Craft and Chat!



**THURSDAYS 9AM-11AM  
IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM**

**Come along to our sessions to try out some new crafts and take home activities to do with your children.**

**Refreshments provided.**

**Open session - no need to book, just come along!**

**COLOURFUL MINDS**



# MOVE TOGETHER YOGA

Monday Morning

**NOT ON MONDAY 7TH OR 14TH NOVEMBER.  
BACK ON MONDAY 21ST NOVEMBER WITH CRECHE AVAILABLE!**

...does simple Yoga poses to strengthen  
the body and quiet the mind.

No experience required, wear comfortable clothes.

Don't forget to bring some water.

**In the new Community Room - women only - it's FREE!**

CONTACT SARAH OR DEBS TO FIND OUT MORE OR ASK A QUESTION  
HELLO@OPENMINDSACTIVE.ORG



## PARENT VOICE

We had a parent voice meeting last term. We started by talking about a **Code of Conduct** that we have been working on. Parents understand that the final version will be shared once it is finalised.

- Parents are wanting reassurance from the school that behavioural issues (including recent playground incidents) are being addressed. Some suggested texts to keep parents updated.

***I explained that a lot of work goes on behind the scenes and all behavioural issues are investigated in depth. I also talked about our 'relationship based' behaviour policy and the need to understand where behaviours might come from.***

- Parents are understanding that the school wants to support the whole community.
- Publicly criticising or shouting at other people's children is not ok – this is the view of parents in the meeting and the school alike.

***This features in the new Code of Conduct and shouldn't be happening on the school site.***

- Learnt behaviour in school can have damaging effect on the behaviour of some students.

***We are aware that some behaviours are copied, particularly by younger children. Year 6 are doing a fantastic job of taking responsibility and setting examples. This has had an impact this year.***

- Bad language from both parents and children needs to stop.

***This will feature in the Code of Conduct and is something that we aim to cut down in school. We need help from parents to model positive language at home.***

- Over the past 2 years there have been issues between parents that were not properly supported at the time.
- General feeling that the school needs to be stricter with rules etc

***Helen and I have spent a lot of time meeting with parents and when there are issues that we are aware of. We will always try to arrange meetings and address them. The Code of Conduct will give structure to this. Our aim is to use the values to positively reinforce the behaviours that we expect.***

- A pupil physically attacking an adult has been witnessed by parents. This is an example of behaviour that does not seem to come with any obvious consequence.
- Feeling that there is a risk to all pupils and staff in the school in relation to physical behaviour and high needs children.
- Parents have been told that internal exclusion has been put in place in some situations – however, parents are feeding back that the children are moved into another class which then disrupts another group from their learning – and children have felt intimidated by this.
- Parents questioning whether suspension should be put in place – Kevin has explained that we are using a relationship-based policy at the school so this does not work for every child.

***There are a handful of children that display quite extreme behaviours. We use internal exclusions when we feel children won't benefit from being at home. There are always consequences, some of these might not be seen by children in the class. I pointed out that it would be easy to say that extreme behaviour should result in exclusion but research proves it doesn't help in the long run.***

- Suggestion of Contracts for pupils/parents/teachers to sign?
- Certificates for good behaviour?
- Could there be a way for parents to communicate issues to teachers/staff before school? These would be issues that had happened the day before. Would be beneficial for things to be resolved quicker – maybe an email address that is monitored by one person could be created for this purpose?

***We have introduced certificates. The contract idea is something being discussed with the Code of Conduct - a home/school agreement. We are looking at communication between teachers and parents.***

Having discussed meeting at 6pm, we felt that this would clash with the time that people eat or start bedtime routines.

**Next meeting will be online (zoom link in next week's newsletter)**

**Thursday 17th November 8pm**



# NOVEMBER

More information about some of the activities



## Fencing for all

Wednesdays, 6 to 8pm

£2 donation

Join us for a relaxed introduction to Fencing. Suitable for all ages and abilities. Come along and have a go. Run by Stephen from Felix Road Adventure Playground.

## Sewing social

Tuesday 8 Nov, 10am to 12pm

FREE

Carla from Set Square Patterns will be offering support on DIY draught excluders to get us ready for the cooler temperatures. We'll have some materials on hand, but please bring along any old jeans, socks, tights, offcuts or other material you might like to give a second life to. Pillow stuffing, lentils and rice to stuff the excluders welcome as well.



## FREE Digital skills workshop for over 55's

Fridays, 12.30 to 2.30pm

Learn how to use your computer, tablet or phone to email, video-call, manage your health etc. Receive 1:1 support from a volunteer who will be on hand to answer your tech questions.

## Lego club

Saturday 5 Nov, 10am to 12pm

FREE

Explore your imagination and see what you can build, investigate how things work and most of all have fun.



## Bristol Law Centre advice

Thursdays, 11.30 to 1pm

FREE

Advisors from Bristol Law Centre will be in the cafe area to give advice on employment and discrimination cases.



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@EastonCommunityCentreBristol

[eastsidecommunitytrust.org.uk](http://eastsidecommunitytrust.org.uk)

# WELCOME TO EASTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

## YOUR WARM WINTER HUB

# NOVEMBER ACTIVITY PROGRAMME



# Lego Club

**This lego session is suitable for the whole family. Come along and build, play and learn.**

## Part of the Welcoming Space programme



**Saturday 5th November**

**Saturday 3rd December**

**Saturday 7th January**

**Saturday 4th February**

**10am to 12pm**

**Explore your imagination and see what you can build, investigate how things work and most of all have fun.**

To find out more

CALL 0117 954 1409

EMAIL [contact@upourstreet.org.uk](mailto:contact@upourstreet.org.uk)

WEBSITE [eastsidecommunitytrust.org.uk](http://eastsidecommunitytrust.org.uk)



**Easton Community Centre is one of Bristol's Welcoming Spaces in November, December, January and February. We'll be running a programme of FREE or donation only activities.**

Other family friendly activities taking place this month include; mini cinema, arts and crafts, community meals, stay + play, bounce and rhyme, Somali womens breakfast club, fencing for all, and Scribble and Sketch. View the full list of activities at

<https://assets.adobe.com/public/4f2fdb15-4c8c-4a2c-6972-75f1ad103ec0>

**Find out more about Bristol's Welcoming Spaces —**  
[www.bristol.gov.uk/residents/people-and-communities/welcoming-spaces/find-a-welcoming-space](http://www.bristol.gov.uk/residents/people-and-communities/welcoming-spaces/find-a-welcoming-space)



# ST LUKE'S AFTER SCHOOL FAMILY CAFE

Free

Wednesdays 3.15pm - 5pm (term time only)

Free  
drinks  
and toast



Games, sports,  
play equipment  
available



Quiet space  
for craft or  
homework



Make new friends or  
bring friends with you



Children must come with  
an adult. Aimed at  
primary school children.

For more info what's  
app/message/call Amy  
07801 762655

St Lukes Church Crypt, Church  
Street, Barton Hill, BS5 9FB





# AFRIKA EYE



Afrika Eye and Windmill Hill City Farm present

## A Somali Celebration

From the chill of a November evening, step into the warm and welcoming environment of Windmill Hill City Farm for an evening of film, music and food

- A screening of **The Gravediggers Wife** directed by Kadar Ayderus Ahmed
- Music from Bristol's own oud duo **Nabra**
- Somali dishes from **Deeqo's Kitchen** (food served 19:00-19:45)

If you are of Somali heritage please book your free ticket with Windmill Hill City Farm on  
★ 0117 963 3252 ★  
or email:  
[info@windmillhillcityfarm.org.uk](mailto:info@windmillhillcityfarm.org.uk)  
Numbers are limited so please book early.

**14th November | 19.00 – 21.30 | Doors 18.30**

Ticket includes film, food and music

£18 / £15 conc+students from: [www.hdfst.uk/afrikaeyefilmfestival](http://www.hdfst.uk/afrikaeyefilmfestival)

[www.afrikaeye.org.uk](http://www.afrikaeye.org.uk)



Windmill Hill City Farm  
Philip Street BS3 4EA

Isha Afrika iyo Windmill Hill ayaa xafad Soomaalida u soo bandhigaya

## Bandhig Soomaali

Waxa kuu diyaar ah:

- Daawasho filinka Xaaska Xabaal-qodaha ee uu allifay Khadar Caydaruus Axmed
- Muusig ay tumayaan Bristol Oud Due Nabra
- Cunto Soomaali ay diysaarisay Deeqo Kitchen (cashadu waa 19:00-19:45)

Haddii aad Soomaali tahay ama jeceshahay dhaqanka Soomaalida, fadlan ticket bilaash ah ka dalbo Windmill Hill City Farm. Kala xiriiir  
★ 0117 993 32 52 ★  
ama email:  
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Tigigadhu waa ay kaoban yihiine fadlan hore u dalbo

**Tarriikhda: 14th November | 19.00-21.30 fiidnimo.**

**Irridka waxa la furayaa 18.30 fiidnimo**

Qiimaha: ticket-ka, filinka iyo cuntadu waa £18. Haddii aad arday tahay waa £15 - codso: [www.hdfst.uk/afrikaeyefilmfestival](http://www.hdfst.uk/afrikaeyefilmfestival)

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# WINTER COAT PROJECT 2022

**COME AND PICK UP YOUR FREE  
WINTER COATS, HATS, SCARVES AND  
GLOVES**

## **WHERE?**

All Saints Church,  
Grove Road  
Fishponds

## **WHEN?**

Saturday 19th November  
12 Noon onwards

We want to help families in need during the cold winter months  
To donate new or barely worn coats, jackets gloves and scarfs for those  
in need please contact:

[cllr.lorraine.francis@bristol.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.lorraine.francis@bristol.gov.uk) or

All Saints Family Cafe [allsaintsfamilycafe@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintsfamilycafe@gmail.com)



# Hannah More Primary School



## Open Days & Evenings

Reception Admissions September 2023



We'd be delighted to show you the nurturing, inspiring environment that we've created and give you the opportunity to find out more about our school.

~~Tuesday 27th September 9:30am - 10:30am~~

~~Thursday 13th October 5:00pm - 6:00pm~~

Tuesday 8th November 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Thursday 17th November 9:30am - 10:30am

Phone or email us to book a place

0117 903 9936 | [hannahmorep@bristol-schools.uk](mailto:hannahmorep@bristol-schools.uk)

If you are unable to attend the above dates and would like to arrange a visit to the school, or if you have any questions, please contact us at [hannahmorep@bristol-schools.uk](mailto:hannahmorep@bristol-schools.uk)



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