Hannah More Primary School Newsletter 26 June 2020



Hello everyone

We look forward very much to welcoming our year 5s next week. Thank you to everyone for bearing with us during this difficult time; we are doing everything we can to support families, in line with the latest guidance. It's now fourteen weeks since schools closed and I know for some of you this has been a really challenging time.

In this newsletter you can read news about classes and teachers from September. You will see that many classes keep the same teacher next year. This is to help make sure that children can settle to learn as quickly as possible after the lengthy school closure. Staff who have taught the children this year have a clear picture of what children need to 'catch up' on whilst also tackling the content for the new year group.

As yet, we cannot give clear advice about all the arrangements for next term, but we will keep you updated as soon as we know more. At the moment, we hope school will be open to all children from Wednesday 2nd September.

We are planning some family play opportunities over the summer - the details are being worked out and we will bring you more information next week.

Finally, in this newsletter is a picture of our lovely new mural of Hannah More, which is sited near the Key Stage 1 entrance. This morning Radio Bristol did a short interview with us - I was very proud of Nassim in Year 6 for being a fabulous ambassador for the school. We hope you will all enjoy seeing the mural itself when we can open our doors fully once again.

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher.

This week's super kids!



Reception Jamia and Yusiira

Year 1 Tate

Year 2 Mohamed A and Rehan

Year 3 Asma and Abdullrahman

Year 4 Summeya and Aiyana

Year 5 Kymani and Emily

Year 6 Warfa and Valeria

Those of us who were in school over half term were delighted to see a beautiful mural of Hannah More developing day by day. This was painted by mural artist Zoe Power, to commemorate the 275th birthday of Hannah More. There is an information plaque next to the painting which explains more about Hannah More's life and work. She dedicated her life to widening opportunities for education to poorer families, through clubs for women and schools. She also wrote plays and poetry and joined some leading abolitionists to campaign against slavery.

The mural was commissioned and funded by First Base, who are developing the Gardiner Haskins site opposite school. The mural was unveiled by Councillor Asher Craig, deputy mayor of Bristol, at a small (and socially distant) ceremony on Friday afternoon.



Here are the classes and teachers for September.

As soon as we know more about arrangements for returning to school, we will let you know.

Current class	New Class	Teacher	LSA
	Ladybird	Kate Evans/Jess Vintin	Summer Hawkins
Caterpillar	Y1 Gruffalo	Kharis Wilkins (Maternity cover for Sarah Foley)	Vicki Lewis
Ladybird	Y1 Elmer	Rhiannon Wilkinson	
Gruffalo	Y2 Enormous Crocodiles	Lucy Burnett	Amy Hancock
Elmer	Y2 BFG	New teacher to be appointed	
Enormous Crocodiles	Y3 Kingfisher	Naimah Mahmood	Stella Gyde
BFG	Y3 Woodpecker	Gen Ellison- Smith	
Y3 Kingfisher	Y4 Swallow	Jen Goldsack	Sonia Hardie
Y3 Woodpecker	Y4 Swift	Maria Skinner	
Y4 Swallow	Y5 Owl	Mawusi Sokoni (Maternity cover for Sofia Irfan till November)	Lisa Starr
Y4 Swift	Y5 Dove	Rachel Campbell	
Y5 Owl	Y6 Eagle	Jo Smith	Mawusi Sokoni, additional teacher,
Y5 Dove	Y6 Kestrel	Joe Cook	from November

Mike Rossetti will continue to teach P.E. and Steph Jackson and Amanda Griffiths will continue to cover teachers' planning time.

LOCKDOWN AND BEYOND

Supporting our community

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In these difficult times it's important to remember the work that's happening to reach out to families and keep in touch. We couldn't have done this without some fantastic teamwork, along with amazing support from many community groups and charities. Here are some highlights:

Online work provided for all children, every week since lockdown. Children provided with maths and English books, pens and pencils.

160 packs of felt pens distributed, along with crayons, scissors, paper and other stationery essentials

Weekly phone calls from teachers, to every child.

Twitter takeover to celebrate children's work

New direct phone numbers set up so parents can call Ms Ramsay and Mr Webster

Over **350** reading books handed out to families, plus an extra **200** books funded by Sovereign housing

Over £9,000 external funding applied for, to provide food boxes each week since March - that's 520 boxes so far.

Weekly support from FareShare and Bristol Sport to supplement food boxes.

765 Studio Meraki art bags distributed so far

400 additional art packs handed out with food parcels

35 nature kits provided by Trinity for Hannah More families

Over **300** cooked meals, provided by Travelling Kitchen,

included in food boxes

Individual support for any family experiencing difficulties with food vouchers

Funding received for **9** tablets, all loaned to families who do not have access to devices at home

Newsletters and updates provided weekly

New £3,000 welfare fund to support families going forward



FareShare











