Hannah More Primary School Newsletter 3rd February 2017



Hello everyone

We had a lovely time celebrating Hannah More's birthday yesterday. A huge thank you to those people who brought in food to share. There were some truly beautiful cakes as well as food from many different countries. The children also enjoyed learning about the history of our school and about Hannah More herself.

Teachers have asked for parents' help to use Bug Club at home. This is a really useful online resource which means you can help your child with reading. The teachers have worked hard to make sure children have new books of the right level loaded up to read. Go to https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk and log in with your child's details.

It's been a busy week for parents' activities! Lots of people came to an ESOL assessment on Wednesday, and we had our usual courses running including Friday mums' fitness, drama, cooking and much more. We are really looking forward to working with a group of dads who will be trained to help us to support boys' reading across the school. Their first meeting is Wednesday 22 February, 9-10 and all dads are very welcome!

Have a good weekend, Sue Ramsay, Headteacher.



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Reception: Nasima and Narmin

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- Year 1: Dirshe and Ayman
- Year 2: Yackhob and Handhala
- Year 3: Warfa and Amal
- Year 4: Isra and Anise
- Year 5: Josh and Isra
- Year 6: Hanan and Laverno

Hannah More's Birthday!

A huge thank you to everyone who brought delicious food and wonderful cakes for us to share! It was lovely to see so many communities represented.





Hannah More Primary - Rooftop Bees Project

Please look out in city centre Tesco stores for the 'Bags of Help' collecting boxes. During February we are hoping lots of people will vote for our project to get a beehive on the roof of the school! Don't worry – the beehive will be safely installed and managed by bee experts, who will also teach our school community all about the crucial role bees play in sustaining the ecosystem.



Some children are arriving late in the mornings. This means that important learning is lost! Teaching time is important so PLEASE support us by being on time for school every day.

Arriving 15 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 2 weeks a year!





We are delighted that At -Bristol have offered us some family workshops, aimed at people on low incomes. You could also get free membership for

you and your children! If you would really love an opportunity like this, then please speak to Ruth at school, or email **ruth.cochran@bristol-schools.uk**



Mums' Fitness continues next term with circuit training! All abilities welcome, crèche is available. Fridays 9.30-10.30





We hope to run an Entry 2/3 level course at school. Please put your name down at the office if you are interested.



Reception classes ... This week we worked on our pirate story, changing the characters and settings. In maths we estimated, counted and made sure we know all our numbers to 20! We also really enjoyed decorating our cakes for Hannah More's Birthday. At home, please ask your child to count out the right number of objects or count groups of objects that you give them.

Year 1 ... This week we learnt the poem 'One, Two, Zoo!'. We learnt some actions and created our own short poems using rhyming words. In numeracy we learnt to tell the time with our special words: o'clock, half past and quarter past. We had fun celebrating Hannah More's birthday! We looked at school life for Victorian children and created a video to share what we had been learning. At home, please use bug club to read allocated books AND answer the comprehension questions.

Year 2... This week we learned the poem 'Aliens Stole my Underpants'. We then wrote our own poems based on this poem. In maths we learned the names and properties of 3-dimensional shapes. At home, please use bug club to read allocated books AND answer the comprehension questions.

Year 3 ... This week we continued to learn all about time in maths. We looked at analogue and digital time as well as thinking about 12 and 24 hour clocks. In literacy, we focussed on poetry and we wrote our own poems. We also celebrated Hannah More's birthday by learning all about her life. Please ask your child to tell you the time on analogue and digital clocks, to the nearest 5 minutes.

Year 4 ... This week we invented our fantasy stories! We also learned about equivalent fractions and started to compare these. In topic, we learned about prey, predators and producers. We created our own food chains and discussed energy transfer. At home, please talk to your children about food chains!

Year 5... This week we wrote mystery stories and also wrote a biography about Oliver Twist – the main character for our performance! In Maths, we ordered and compared numbers up to 3-decimal places. We also rehearsed for our 'Oliver Twist' performance next week! Please help your child to learn their lines and songs for our performance. Also, help them come up with a costume!

Year 6 ... This week, we discussed: 'should children be forced to attend school?'. We thought about reasons for and against. In Maths, we calculated the perimeter, area and volume of shapes. We celebrated Hannah More's birthday and decorated a cake! Eagle class enjoyed their week at IntoUniversity. They created their own business, visited RBS at Temple Quay, and finished the week with a graduation at The University of Bristol. Eagle class wrote discussion texts and Kestrel practised letter writing. We also worked sensibly in our SRE lessons. At home, please help your child with finding fraction and percentages of different amounts i.e. 20% of 250, a quarter of 420.