

Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

5th January 2018



Hello everyone

Welcome back to school, I hope you all had a good break. We have already settled in to some fantastic learning. I was delighted to congratulate this week's superkids in assembly this morning - you can read about their special learning on the website here:

www.hannahmore.org.uk/our-learning/superkid

I was impressed to see some mums going along to Friday fitness with Miss Stevens this morning and I know that lots more parent activities are starting in the next couple of weeks. More information is in this newsletter. I have also been pleased to see Year 5 children working well with their new LSA Rachel and our new teacher in Dove class, Miss Brunger. A warm welcome to them and also to Bob Rocca, who has started in the role of Premises Manager this week. More news about other new faces next week!

Next Tuesday at 2.00pm there is a meeting for parents who may have questions about our SRE (Sex and Relationships) learning, starting in week 3. Information has been emailed to everyone. Please do come along to this meeting, or speak to me on the gate if you have any questions.

We have also set a date for this term's Parents' Voice meeting. I know many parents will want to hear about our plans to address the issues raised by the Ofsted inspection last term. At this meeting we will set out our plans, which are already underway, to move the school forward positively. Notes from this meeting will be sent out to everyone.

As ever, thank you for your support.

Best wishes,

Sue Ramsay,
Head teacher.

Year 1 children getting stuck in to some great books with Reading Buddies from Deloitte.



If your child has lost a coat, jumper, cardigan, book bag etc..... it may be living in the lost property area! As we do not have room to store them, any unclaimed and unnamed items will go into the clothing bank next week.



Reception: Billie-Rae & Pratham

Year 1: Khadija and Archie

Year 2: Yoonis and Khalid

Year 3: Shaquille and Taiya

Year 4: Abdulahi and Husam

Year 5: Fahimo and Safa

Year 6: Angel and Seham

Activities for Hannah More parents - January 2018

We welcome parents at our school and we run lots of courses for adults. All courses are free and have crèche. More information available on the website and in the newsletter.

Tuesday 9.15-11.15 **Help your child to read - for ESOL learners**

Find out ways to help with reading at home and improve your English. Complete the course to get a free book. Register on 16 Jan 9.15-10.15. This course is suitable for ESOL learners.

Tuesday 9.15 -11.15 **Mums' drama group**

All mums welcome at this group which includes lots of laughter. Meet other mums, create a show and if you want you can perform it at the acta thatre! Drop in any week to find out more.

Wednesday 9.00 -10.00 **Conversation Club - Improve your English**

Drop in to this group to practise your speaking and listening skills and meet others. No need to register, just drop in any week. This group meets in the Hub.

Thursday 9.15 -11.15 **Computer course**

Need help with job searching, setting up email or other computer skills? Come along to our new course. All welcome, especially learners who don't have a level 2 qualification.

THIS COURSE IS NOW FULL

Thursday 9.00 -11.15 **ESOL entry 2/3 level**

ESOL course for all learners at entry 2/3 level. Free course, free creche. Register 11 January.

Friday 9.45 -11.45 **Mindfulness for Parents**

These sessions look at how we deal with the stress and worry which can come from being a parent. Learn how to keep calm when faced with difficulties. 3 sessions only, 19, 26 January and 2 February! Sign up in the office or come along on 19 January.

Friday 9.45 -10.30 **Mums' fitness**

Ladies only fitness sessions in the Sports hall with Miss Stevens. All abilities and fitness levels welcome. In January we will try volleyball. Drop in to find out more.



Wednesday 24 January - 9am - 10am

Ms Ramsay and governors will talk about our latest ofsted report and the plans we have put in place in response to this. All parents' and carers are welcome.

SRE WEEK is from 15 - 19 January.

Come along at 4pm on Tuesday 9 January for a meeting to find out exactly what is involved in each year group.



Speech and Language Therapy

Drop-in session for Hannah More parents. Friday 12 January 9-11



Pop in to chat about your child's speech and language development

Ask questions and talk about any concerns

Tips and ideas to support speech and language development

Free service for anyone with children at Hannah More

Local Community Courses for adults

Health & Social Care Level 1



This 11 week course provides learners with the opportunity to progress to employment in a range of job roles in the care sectors. **Mondays 9.30 - 12.30** from 8 January – 26 March at Wellspring Healthy Living Centre.

FREE if you are in receipt of benefits! Crèche places available!



Healthy Cooking!

Eat well, Live well.

Wednesdays from 10 January - 7 February

12:15pm - 2:45pm - FREE - Crèche available!

Make a new dish every week!

To book a place call Edwina 07825315820.

Held at Easton Families Centre, BS5 0SQ

Sewing Course - Easton Families Centre, BS5 0SQ

To book a place or for information call Edwina: 07825315820

Thursdays from 25 Jan

12:45pm - 2:45 pm



What have we been learning?

Reception.... This week reception completed their first piece of writing. Children recorded what they did during the winter holidays in their 'Busy Books' using pictures, words and even sentences!! We're glad to hear that the children had a good rest during the holidays.

Year 2... This week we wrote poems. We also learned how to use commands and questions in our writing. In topic we learned about Judaism and in maths we learned about graphs and how to answer questions. **At home, please help your child to learn their 2, 5 and 10 times tables.**

Year 1... In Literacy this week we wrote our own adventure stories and enjoyed listening to a range of poems. In maths we focused on learning our number bonds to 10. Our new topic is learning about 'Animals including Humans'. **At home, please ask your child to tell you the story of Handa's Surprise using actions.**

Year 3... This week we learned about keeping our bodies healthy. In English we looked at the poem 'The Dragon who ate our School' and wrote our own poems about a crazy day at school! In maths we revised column addition and subtraction. **At home, please ensure your children read every day for 10 minutes.**

Year 4... This week year 4 learned all about the human digestive system! They labelled the important organs in the digestive system, learned about what each organ does and how food is digested in our bodies. Year 4 have written poems about digestion and also written an explanation to explain the digestion process. **At home, please support your child to practise the 11 and 12 times table at home.**

Year 5... This week in English we have wrote guidance on how to write a kennings poem and then wrote and performed our own. In Maths we started to multiply four digit numbers by a one digit number using the column method. **At home, please support your child with reading every day.**

Year 6

This week we used fractions in lots of different ways and lots of different calculations. We have been letter writing in English and using our best persuasive language. In topic this week, we learnt about the process of how chocolate is made. We've been getting cravings! **At home, please read our class blog and make a comment together!**