Hannah More Primary School Newsletter 14th January 2022



Hello everyone

We've had a busy first full week, with lots going on in school. We welcomed back Circomedia who are running after school circus skills with year 4 this term and we look forward to sports clubs starting next week as well. You will receive a text over the weekend if your child has a place in a sports club.

Afterschool sport clubs will be starting next week, we will send a text message over the weekend to let those with a place know.

There is lots to look forward to later in the term as well, with Hannah More's birthday next month and parents' voice meetings coming soon too.

Have a good weekend and stay warm,

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher.



Well done to our newsletter winners Rehan and Adam. Watch out for another competition coming soon!

On the week after next, starting Monday January 24th, teachers will deliver the annual lessons focusing on sex and relationships education. For each year group this is usually 4 or 5 lessons in a week. This year there may be a little more as teachers will cover the content from the previous year. We will hold a meeting on **Wednesday 19th January at 2.30pm** to go through the content and answer any questions you might have.



Year 1:	Sarvagyan
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- Year 2: Tommy and Yusiirra
- Year 3: D'Lion
- Year 4: Rehan and Yasmin
- Year 5: Safia and Yousef
- Year 6: Yoonis and Mohamed M

Reception Reception met some superhero friends this week - Safe Sayeed, Respectful Ranisha and Engaging Eddie, who helped us think about our school rules. In phonics we started our Phase 3 sounds. We also wrote lots of recipes including hot chocolate which we made for our class treat on Friday! At home, can you look at, talk about or have a go at writing a recipe at home? Next week we will be writing a recipe for soup. What ingredients shall we use?

ear 1 Year 1 had an exciting start to the term with lots of new changes. We are now sitting at tables for of our learning - the children made a fantastic start with this and showed lots of maturity! As mathematicians we learnt about how many tens and ones are in different numbers to 20. In English we started our new book 'Avocado Baby'. We enjoyed tasting avocados, messy play with avocados and role playing the characters in the story! We also welcomed the police as special visitors this week to start off our enquiry 'Who helps who?' . At home please read with your child every day. Get your child to re-read sentences after sounding them out, to build speed and fluency in their reading.

Year 2 had a fantastic start to the term. We learnt about multiplication and what this means as a mathematician. In English we started our new book 'Traction Man' and thought about materials as scientists. Please read with your child 5 times a week. Practise your 2, 5 and 10 times table including doing them out of order.

In maths we learnt to divide. We looked at what happens when our groups aren't equal. We enjoyed exploring our story 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' and completed lots of writing based on our book. We enjoyed exploring Zones of Regulation, where we learnt about dealing with different emotions and techniques that help us in our day -to-day lives. Please make sure your child is reading 5 times a week and using Bug Club. Let us know if you need help logging in.

Year 4 had a busy first full week back. As artists we began creating 3D sculptures from recycled card. We also enjoying getting stuck into our class book 'The Iron Man' and began to craft newspaper reports based on the events in the book. As mathematicians we discovered factors and multiplied two-digit numbers. At home please practise the seven times table and our weekly spellings.

Year 5 Year 5 had a busy first full week back. As scientists we explored our solar system and became experts on a specific planet. We also had a visitor from Travelling Light who came in to teach us about geocentric and heliocentric views of the universe. Please practise multiplication tables and weekly spellings.



Year 6 had a really positive first week back! We enjoyed our new book 'Floodlands' by Marcus Sedgewick about rising sea lvels and climate change. A lot of food for thought! We also enjoyed having a

visitor who taught us how to use a comic strip creation tool. It was great fun! Please practise times tables and spellings at home.



Keep Fit in 2022

Ladies only fitness at Hannah More. LOTTERY FUNDED Sessions restart Monday 24 January. 9-10am in the Sports Hall. No need to register, just turn up.





Parents! Are you interested in history, journeys and culture? Exciting new project for parents exploring historical objects from the SSGB and looking at journeys people have made across the world. Next meeting is Tuesday 18th January. Email friendsofhannahmore@gmail.com for more info.

Mindfulness - Free 7 week course

Take a look at how we deal with the stress and worry which comes from being a parent or carer. We can learn to notice what happens when we are stressed and how to keep calm when faced with difficulties.

Mindfulness for Parents/Carers supports us to:

- Feel more confident about being a parent
- Manage stress and frustration
- Talk to and listen to children

Wednesdays 9.15 -11.45 Starts 26 Jan



Our PTA group raise money for school by organising cake sales, discos and more! It's a chance to get together, help the school and meet new friends. Contact them at <u>hannahmorepta@gmail.com</u> They're a very friendly and welcoming group!



Friends are a charity set up to support the community by securing grant funding. All our parent activities are funded



through the Friends group. The AGM is on 17th January at the nearby offices of Burges Salmon. Everyone is welcome, but you must email us at <u>friendsofhannahmore@gmail.com</u> to book. More information - and the Annual Report - is on the school website <u>here.</u>

More 4 Kids club! Did you know we run an after-school club every day until 6pm? This costs £8.50 per session - you may be able to claim this back from tax credits. Children have a snack and enjoy art, crafts, cooking, cycling and outdoor play. This term we are going to Trinity garden for some forestry sessions as well. Please ask the office for a **FREE TRIAL SESSION!**