Hannah More Primary School Newsletter 26th March 2021



Hello everyone

This week I have been reminded how lucky we are to have so many great links with our local community. Turner and Townsend are working with Year 3, who were delighted to receive another set of books to support their learning this week. Year 1 continue to enjoy their lovely new outdoor area designed by Touchwood Play. Breakfast club, which has been supported by Greggs for many years, is very busy - we are fortunate to be able to offer this completely free to children. Both UWE and Talo started their networking with Year 1 parents as part of our new reading research project and we have also been busy finalising some fantastic Easter opportunities for Year 5 and 6 with Bristol Sport Foundation. Next week we look forward to an Easter Egg raffle with prizes provided by Bouygues UK. We are - of course - missing seeing lots of visitors, especially parents at assembly and attending courses, all our volunteers, buddies and business friends.

We understand that vouchers will be available once again to families eligible for income-related free school meals over the holiday. However, if you are not eligible but need some help please head to <u>our website</u> which has information about where to get help.

Please remember to watch the relationships education videos on the website and attend the zoom meetings next week to find out more. More information is later in the newsletter.

Best wishes,

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher

Term ends on Thursday 1st April We return to school on Tuesday 20 April



Lavender: Eric Reception: Junaid

Year 1: Yusiira and Imtisam Year 2: Luqman and Nabiila

Year 3: Yassen and Ibraheem

Year 4: Sara and Makhi

Year 5: Shevon and Keijah

Year 6: Mahamed S and Maida

This week in English we continued developing independence when making sentences, and in maths we learnt to count by 2's. We have



been creative artists too, making beautiful Spring and Easter pictures. At home, practise counting by 2's up to 30 and remember to keep reading!

This week Reception wrote lots of stories! We thought about characters, setting, a problem and a resolution. In maths we learnt about pairs of numbers that make 10. Please help at home by watching this Numberblocks episode - www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b0bn5k6h/numberblocks-series-3-ten-again to learn about pairs to make 10. Keep practising your sounds, tricky words and read your reading book three times.

This week as mathematicians we recapped lots of our learning. We enjoyed exploring new and old toys and had lots of fun creating a moving page using a lever. Please help at home by reading every day, practise counting in groups of 5 and 2. And don't forget to complete the homework challenge! (see homework books for details).

Year 2 This week we read more Zeraffa Giraffa. We used maps of North Africa and the Mediterranean Sea to plot Zeraffa and Atir's journey from the River Nile all the way to Paris! We also began retelling the story in our own words. As mathematicians we used number lines to place numbers to 100. At home, practise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. Read with your child every night so they can develop a fluent, smooth reading voice. Where possible, read a story to your child as well.

The week we continued to look at fractions as mathematicians and wrote fantastic letters pretending to be the hero in our story who was asking for help! Please help your children learn the 4 and 8 times tables. Please continue to encourage your child to read every day in a fluent voice.

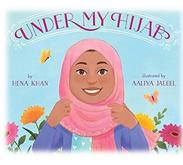


This week we have been very busy. We worked hard on our assessments and continued to develop our knowledge of fractions. As writers we became experts at using speech punctuation. Ask your child about the water cycle – they will be able to tell you about this! Help at home by encouraging your child to share their favourite story with you and keep reading every evening before bed. Keep practising the times tables with them too!

This week has been test week and the Year 5 adults are so so proud of all the hard work and perseverance from the children. We worked hard as scientists to investigate the properties of materials and conducted an experiment about dissolving. Please help at home by encouraging your child to read every day and working on times tables.

We returned from isolation on Tuesday and got stuck straight in. In maths, we explored ratio and conducted assessments to show what we've learnt this year. As authors, we explored, upgraded and planned persuasive texts. As historians, we learnt about the history of the Olympics and Ancient Greek theatre. Please help at home by asking children to practise multiplication and division calculation, particularly long multiplication and long division.







Hannah More has started an exciting project: reading stories from our culture at home and in school. We are working with Dr Jane Carter from UWE and two community researchers, Hibo Mahamoud, part of the Talo Community and Fathia Aidid, who is one of our parents. They are finding who 'influences' us in the community - these are the people who help us spread the message about reading! Look out for them after the holiday!



Thanks to everyone who entered our Easter competition! Well done to our winners...

Amar – Year 1 and Alex – Year 4
Look out for our next competition after the holiday!

Relationships Education

at Hannah More

We want to be very open with you about the new relationships education curriculum that will be deliver at Hannah More next term. There has been a lot of inaccurate information about this shared on social media that has made people worried. We hope to make you feel more comfortable about the content and clear about what your child will learn and why it is important.



Step 1 - Videos Teachers have created videos to explain what will be taught in each lesson of the relationships education curriculum. These are now on the school website under Our Learning/Relationships Education. Please watch them!

Step 2 - Zoom meetings These are for years 1-6. You can ask questions or raise any issues that you may have. You are welcome to attend as many meetings as you wish. Please note, the days and times of the meetings for Year 3 and 4 parents have changed. Zoom links will be sent out by text and email on the morning of each meeting.

Monday 29th March	Year 1	2 - 2:45pm
Tuesday 30th March	Year 2	1 -1:45pm
Thursday 1st April	Year 3	1 - 1.45
Thursday 1st April	Year 4	2 - 2.45
Wednesday 31st March	Year 5	1 -1:45 pm
Wednesday 31st March	Year 6	2 -2:45 pm
Wednesday 31st March	Extra	5:30 - 6:15pm

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What's on next week?

Monday	Planting in the garden, bikes	Plasticine mini fruit Stencil drawing	Mac 'n cheese Fruit
Tuesday	Football Skipping games	Play doh Lego / Duplo	Beans on toast Fruit
Wednesday	Musical statues Dance	Hair styling Train set	Fish fingers and chips
Thursday	Parachute games Floor art with	Stained glass windows Cars	Pasta with tomato sauce

Remember you can book a free trial session if you like! Speak to the office. After Easter we will be going to Trinity Garden on Wednesdays as well!



RUNNING AFTER SCHOOL
EVERY DAY UNTIL 6PM
£8.50 PER SESSION
BOOK YOUR SPACE
ONLINE

Lovely activities from https://colourfulminds.co.uk/

