#### Hannah More Primary School Newsletter 5th October 2018



Hello everyone,

It was fantastic to welcome a big group of Reading Buddies in school this week. Year 6 children were very pleased to meet their new Buddies and we know this opportunity will help them to develop their reading skills, broaden their vocabulary and deepen their understanding. You can read more about Buddies in this newsletter and there are also some lovely pictures on our twitter feed. Next week Number Partners will be back as well!

Next week we look forward to further meetings with staff from Cathedral Schools Trust. The Trust want to get to know our school better before progressing, and we also have some further questions about possible academisation. Jack Lacey is the 'primary lead' for the Trust and he will be in school next week with Neil Blundell, the Trust's Executive Principal. I will keep you informed about progress of the academisation process over the coming months.

We have welcomed several new families in school this week. Please do say hello if you see some new faces and help to maintain our great reputation for being such a friendly and inclusive school.

Have a lovely weekend.

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher



School Photographer will be in school on the morning of Monday 22nd October.

He will be taking individual photos of children and also school-age siblings.



Year 1: Shadae and Aleeyah

Year 2: Sireen and Ashton

Year 3: Ashley and Keijah

Year 4: Cisman and Hassan

Year 5: Jermaine and Zakiah

Year 6: Isra and Ilyas



Year 6 children met their Reading Buddies this week! Buddies come from local businesses and spend 30 minutes reading with a child each week. This week we had 17 visitors and we

Reading **Buddies** 

expect a few more volunteers in the coming weeks. All our Reading Buddies undergo a 'DBS' check and an induction meeting with school

staff. This year they are working with Year 6 where they received a very warm welcome!

I feel lucky to have a Reading Buddy because not everyone has one. My Buddy is very friendly and I like reading with them a lot.

Lucy is kind. She asked me questions about the story.

It was great. He helped me by explaining words I never heard before.



#### **Applying for Reception School**

Do you have a child born between 01/09/14 and 31/08/15? Then you need to apply for a school place for September 2019

The closing date for applications for a Reception place is 15 January 2019



You will need to apply online via the Bristol City Council website.

Please ask the school office if you need more information or any help completing the application.

**Tuesday 6th November** 

5.30 - 7.00pm

**BONFIRE NIGHT PARTY,** 

with sparklers, hot

chocolate & hot dogs!







@HannahMorePri

Are you following us on Twitter?

See what is going on at school as it happens!

From Monday 5th November School Dinners will be £2.10



ONLY £1

**Parent and Toddler** 

**Group at Hannah More!** 

Mondays 9.00 - 11.00

## More 4 Kids

Please remember that you need to give

**24 HOURS NOTICE** 

to cancel a session for your child at More4Kids.

# 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2018 MINDFUL MUSIC

In celebration of 1 hour sessions at

**World Mental** 

10.30am and

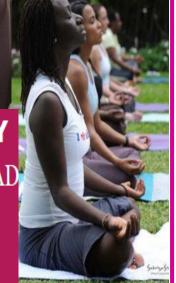
**Health Day** 

1.45pm

COME AND RELAX with gentle music

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### What have we been learning?

Reception... This week we began to learn to use our whiteboards and pens and become independent with our learning. We enjoyed hearing all about the adventures that our class teddy bears have been on with you! Next week is our LSA Charlotte's last week in Caterpillar Class before she heads off to go on maternity leave so we will make sure she has lots of fun with us!

Year 1... this week we learnt about the properties of materials and experimented with them. In maths, we compared numbers using the words less than, greater than and equal to. In English, we learnt how to write a proper sentence! Please read with your child at home every day. Make sure homework is completed and handed in on Monday.

Year 2... this week we planned and wrote an adventure story about our own superhero character. We also explored a new book as readers – The Three Javelinas! As mathematicians we compared numbers. Help your child at home by practising to write numbers up to 100.

**Year 3...** In writing, our Authors were busy producing poems about cats. In maths we deepened our understanding of place value. In Enquiry we were busy understanding timelines and how football kits have changed over time! Please read with your child at home and support them with their homework over the weekend - and remind them to bring it to school on Monday.

Year 4... This week we read the book 'Horrible Science Sounds Dreadful', from which we learnt lots of information about how sound travels to our ear drums. We also had a go at body percussion and did some in-class performances! At home, make sure your child reads out loud to you for 20 minutes each night.

Year 5... This week we learned about the history of space in our Enquiry lessons. In maths, we explored negative numbers and practised rounding, comparing and ordering numbers to a million. In English, we wrote persuasive adverts for people to visit our theme park! Please encourage your child to practise their joined up handwriting.

Year 6 ... This week in maths we explored negative numbers by going down to the beach first! In English we were newspaper reporters, writing our own report of Darkus' dad's disappearance from the book Beetle Boy. In enquiry, we discussed our inherited and environmental characteristics. At home, please look at a newspaper together with your child and ask them to point out all the features.



Homework is set on a Thursday and must be completed and returned by Monday.

Homework clubs run after school on a Thursday from 3:15 - 4:15.