

Hannah More Primary School Newsletter

6th December 2019



Hello everyone

The school is looking very Christmassy! We have a lovely big tree in the hall and some sparkly decorations around the building as well. Various Christmas dates are in this newsletter and - as I write this - the PTA are very busy getting everything ready for today's exciting Winter Fair!

There is still a lot of learning going on in school as well. If you read the class news at the end of this newsletter you can find out a bit about what your child has been learning this week along with some ways you can help at home. Lots of teachers have mentioned times-tables this week. Ask your child about TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS which is a fun way to approach this learning. There is also a workshop coming up for parents, to give you some practical ideas about how to help your child learn their times tables. This is next Friday, after assembly. Please sign up at the office if you are interested.

Inside this newsletter you will also see information about an exciting building project planned for early January. This will develop our community room into a more useful self-contained space. Please read about the plans!

Best wishes,

Sue Ramsay,
Headteacher



Reception: Ibrahim and Amina

Year 1: Sara and Muscab

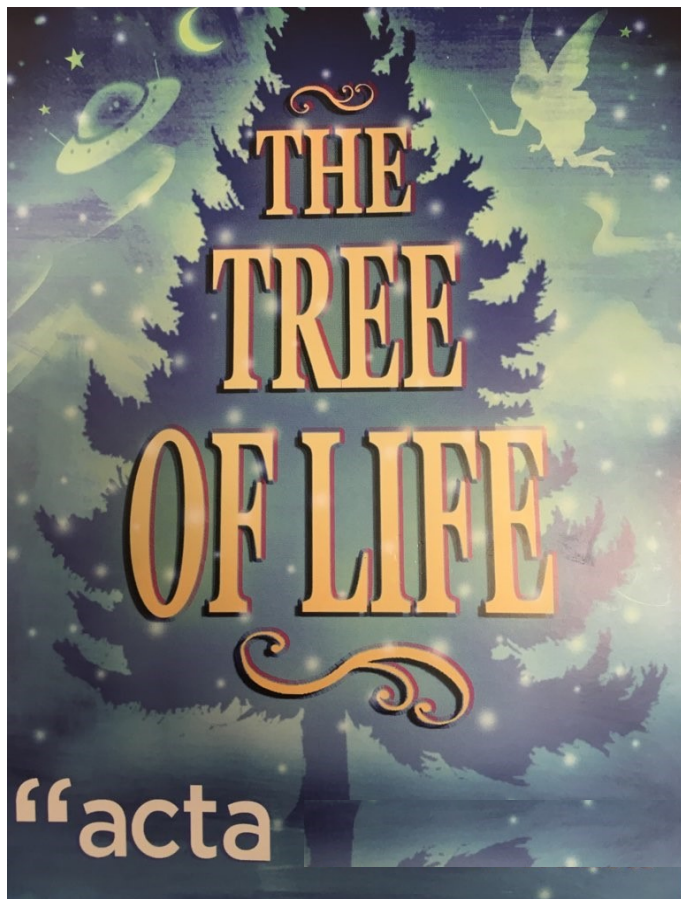
Year 2: Hussein and Lucas

Year 3: Aaliyah and Khadiija D

Year 4: Ibrahim and Layla

Year 5: Sara

Year 6: Warfa and Saleman



Join us for a fun-filled family theatre trip!

Tuesday 17 December 6.30-9.00

Special tickets for Hannah More families with a coach from school to acta theatre in Bedminster. £2.50 per person! Buy your tickets from Ruth or Maya.

A show for the family with wizards, spaceships and adventure!

Winter Fair - Friday 6 December 3.30-4.30

Family theatre trip to ACTA -Tuesday 17 December 6.30-9.00

Reception nativity performance -Wednesday 18 December 2.00

Christmas parties - December 19th (Key Stage 1) and 20th (Key Stage 2)



Free weekend at We The Curious!

Reminder! Completely free entry to Bristol's science centre this weekend. Take your special flyer along with you!



Workshop for parents

Help your child with times-tables.
Friday 13 December 9.30-10.30.

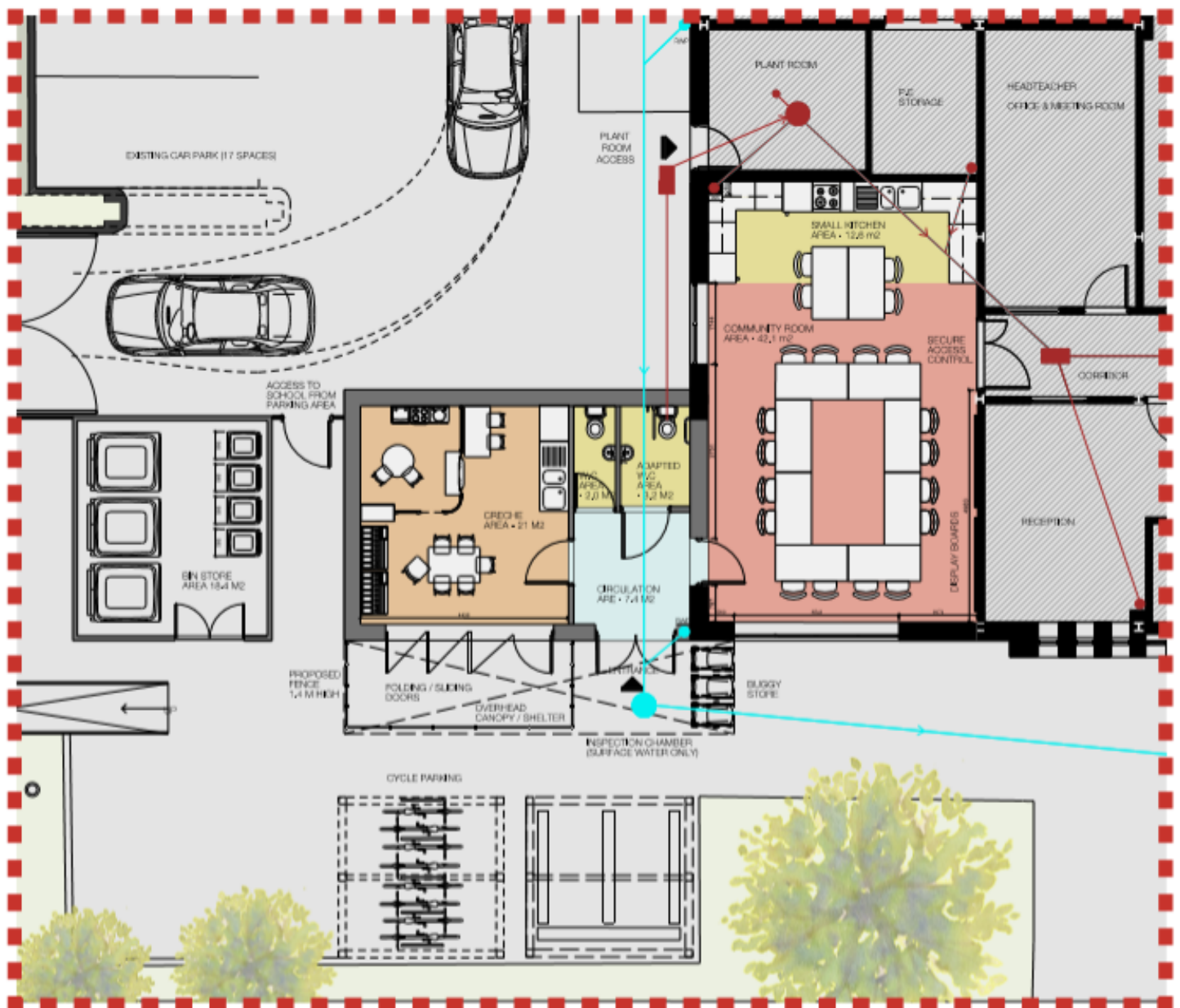
Sign up at the office or email
ruth.cochran@bristol-schools.uk



Community Room extension

In January there are plans to build a new extension onto the community room, to provide a crèche, toilet and separate entrance. We were very pleased to receive some 'Community Infrastructure Levy' funding via the council to complete this work. We hope the builders will start in early January and will be finished in April.

While the building work is happening we won't be able to run parent activities in the community room. There will also be no access via the pedestrian gate on Jubilee street and no access to the bike shed near the bin store. You will need to come in via the entrances on New Kingsley Road. Bikes can be locked to the inside of the railings near the main entrance. We will put some signs up to explain these arrangements. This is a really exciting project and will create a fabulous community space in the future! Below is part of the architects' plan - we will keep you updated about the work as it happens.



Reception

This week the Police visited Reception and told us about their job and what they do! We also had a break-in! We used the clues to find out who it was and wrote 'Wanted' signs. At home, please practise representing numbers. For example, you could ask your child to draw 4 apples or 5 cars.

Year 1

This week Year 1 learnt how to describe a number using tens and ones. In English and Enquiry we learnt about instructions and started to design our own hats.

At home, please read with your child every day for 10 minutes. Practise describing numbers with tens and ones. Ask your child to write instructions on how to make something.

Year 3

This week as writers we learnt about non-chronological reports. As mathematicians we learnt our 3, 4 and 8 times tables. As geographers we learnt all about how earthquakes and volcanoes happen.

At home, please learn your 3s 4s and 8s times-tables.

Year 5

This week Year 5 were busy learning how to multiply numbers by 2 digits as mathematicians. As writers we looked at features of scripts ready to write our own plays next week. As artists, both classes worked on their fantastic sculptures!

At home, please practise times tables facts eg. $2 \times 6 = 12$ $12 \div 6 = 2$.

Encourage your child to read at home, and ask them questions about their learning!



Year 2

This week Year 2 looked at lots of different non-fiction books and gathered research in order to start writing their own non-fiction book about Brunel on Monday. As mathematicians we looked at getting change and finding the total with money. At home, learn the 2, 5 and 10 times tables using Times Table Rockstars. Read every day at home!

Year 4

Year 4 have endured a rather tricky week with some teachers being unwell. On top of this they had to sit assessments (some of these had to be postponed until next week), However they have made us feel very proud of their maturity and patience as the adults start to feel better!

At home, practise your times tables!



This week we learnt about multiplying fractions and explored the features of explanation text. Kestrel also went on a fascinating visit to Unit DX to learn about exciting new companies who are trying to solve problems to make the world better for all of us!

At home we would like year 6 children to continue to read everyday, have a go at writing a fantasy story and teach a member of your family the French they learnt this week.