



NEWBRIDGE

News

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Term Dates

Term 2

Monday 30th October

First day of Term 2

NPSA logo competition 3.30pm

Tuesday 31st October

Forest School 2R

Wednesday 1st November

Forest School 4T

Thursday 2nd November

NPSA Fireworks

Tuesday 7th November

Forest School 2M

Wednesday 8th November

Forest School 4B

Friday 10th November

NPSA Quiz Night

Tuesday 14th November

Forest School 2R

Wednesday 15th November

Forest School 4B

Wednesday 22nd November

Year 6 (6N) Bath Blitz Walk

EYFS Meeting for Parents at 2:45pm

Thursday 23rd November

Yesar 6 (6KR) Bath Blitz Walk

Friday 24th November

Feel Good Friday

Tuesday 28th November

Forest School 2M

Wednesday 29th November

Forest School 4T

Friday 1st December

Mufti/School Fair

Tuesday 5th December

Lower School Nativity

Wednesday 6th December

Flu Vaccines

Friday 8th December

Lower School Nativity

Monday 11th December

Year 2 Rehearse at Emmanuel Church

Volunteers' Thank You

Wednesday 13th December

Year 2 Emmanuel Church

Nativity 9.30am

Christmas Lunch

Upper School Christmas

Concert at 7PM

Thursday 14th December

Lower School Christmas Parties

The School Calendar and Term

Dates can be found [here](#)

Dear Parents and Carers

We have completed seven weeks of the Autumn Term and it has flown by. I can't ever remember a term moving by so quickly. Each week the children have built on prior learning and our expectations, which has resulted in a term all should be proud of. Ladybird and Bee Class deserve a very special well done as they have now completed their first term at school.

Thank you to our Bath Half Runners!

Thank you to all of the parents who ran the Bath Half Marathon on Sunday, raising funds for the NPSA. This was an incredible commitment and took a lot of grit, I am very sure. Sean and Ashley Purves, Genna Rogers, Matt Brook, Lizzie Morters, Guy Whiting, Alex Hazle, Sarah Keep, Rupert Taylor and Jonathan Terry are this week's heroes! If you would like to make a donation to support our NPSA and in turn, our school, please click on this link: <https://wonderful.org/charities/1014793>.

Celebrating Harvest

Thank you very much for the generous donations for the Genesis Trust brought to school this morning. The display of goods made a fantastic backdrop to our Harvest Assembly, in which all of the children performed songs. It was a lovely end of term treat for the whole school to join together and especially to welcome Bee and Ladybird Classes. In our assembly we thought about how when we work together as a community, we can make a big difference to others. We also thought about the work of farmers and the challenges they face due to climate change.

Feel Good Friday and dancing with Cheryl from Mojo Moves

Today, each class had the opportunity to join in a really fun dance session with Cheryl, from Mojo Moves. There were a lot of smiles and laughter and especially at the lunchtime session – it definitely was a 'feel good' Friday! Cheryl will be leading a free Everyone Active session each Friday morning after half term. These sessions will take place from 8.10am to 8.40am in the Upper School hall, where all ages are most welcome.

Year 6 Netball Match – Newbridge v St John's

This match, held on Tuesday, sounded very intense! Please read below for a report and team photograph. Mrs Bartlett reported that the match was so incredibly close and that there were some outstanding performances – really showing what a great Year 6 team has formed this year. Thank you and well done to all of the players who represented Newbridge so well.

Florence Nightingale Day

The children and staff were dressed for the occasion on Monday. It was Florence Nightingale Day, for Class 1EO and Class 1G. The day was themed on their current enquiry 'What makes a hero?' and the children came to school dressed as doctors, nurses and soldiers. The children worked across the year group and completed a range of activities including lamp making, bandaging the wounded, history timelines and learning about the impact of Florence Nightingale's work. The day highlighted what a hero is and the impact we can all have by showing care for others. Thank you to the parents who organised the children's outfits for the special day.

Our NPSA

Please find the latest NPSA Newsletter [here](#). It offers updates on recent and upcoming events.

On Monday morning we welcomed representatives of the NPSA to our assembly. Amy Swinburne-Goode and Fran Derrien launched the NPSA logo design competition. Children will have come home with a template for this, this week. In addition, Fran and Amy are running a session after school on Monday 30th October for parents and children to come to, to complete their designs. Everyone is welcome and children up to Year 4 must be accompanied by an adult.

Thinking of a special family

With great sadness, we learnt last week of the death of one of our school parents. Jo Lawson passed away on Sunday 8th October following a period of illness. Our thoughts continue to be with her husband and their daughter at this sad and difficult time. In memory of Mrs Lawson and in support of the work of Dorothy House Hospice, a funding page for donations has been created. If you might like to contribute, please follow this link <https://jolawson.muchloved.com>. I know our special community will continue to offer their support to the family – thank you, everyone.

Prospective Parents' Open Afternoon

Many prospective parents came to the Open Afternoon on Tuesday. It was a privilege to see our children in action - either presenting to the parents or supporting tours of the school. They were confident, respectful and helpful. Many of the parents were wowed by our children and said that they could only ever hope that one day their children would demonstrate all of the same attributes. As I always say, our children are our best advert – and we are very proud of them.

Parents' Evening and Interim School Reports

Thank you to those who joined the Parents' Evening meetings on Thursday - we hope these proved helpful in understanding how your child has settled in class this year and the steps that will support continued progress. Please know that an interim report will have come home with your child today, if your meeting was this week.

Google Classroom

Please read the short 'blog' posted on Google Classroom today. This will summarise the week, offer necessary reminders and will display photographs of the learning activities which have taken place this week. If you could leave a simple message or even a thumbs-up, we would love to hear from you so that the teachers know their posts are helpful and valued.

Please get in contact with the School Office if you are having any problems with logging in to Google Classroom.

Lost Property

There is more lost property in school. Please check the red box in the Lower School hall and the two rows of pegs immediately inside the Upper School cloakroom when you return after half term.

Email address for parents

For all correspondence, and to make initial contact with a member of staff, please can parents use the email address enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk

Thank you again for your continued support - we wish you a really great half term.

With best regards,

Gill Kennaugh

STARS OF THE WEEK



★ **IEO** – Zain O, Otis L-P ★ **1G** – Stella N, Billy C ★

★ **2M** – Tessa G, Quinn H ★ **2R** – Xanthi D, Elliott D ★

★ **3OG** – Lucy W, Mackenzie P ★ **3BA** – Olivier F, Matilda B-J ★

★ **4B** – Henry G, Hayley M ★ **4T** – Olivia K, Ellie-Mae H ★

★ **5HB** – Jake S, Isobel M ★ **5F** – Romi H, Rakib K ★

★ **6KR** – Ella S, Nora B ★ **6N** – Louie A, Elisabeth W ★

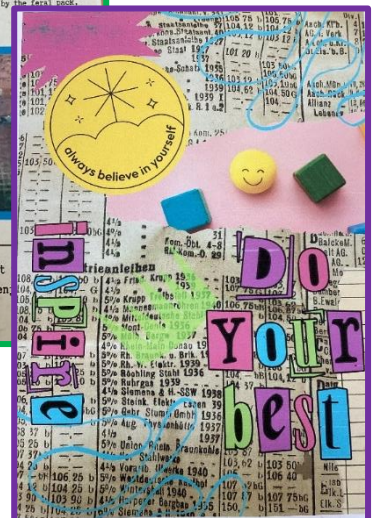
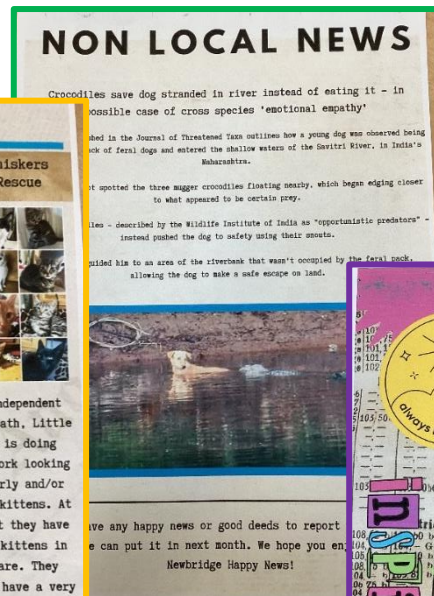
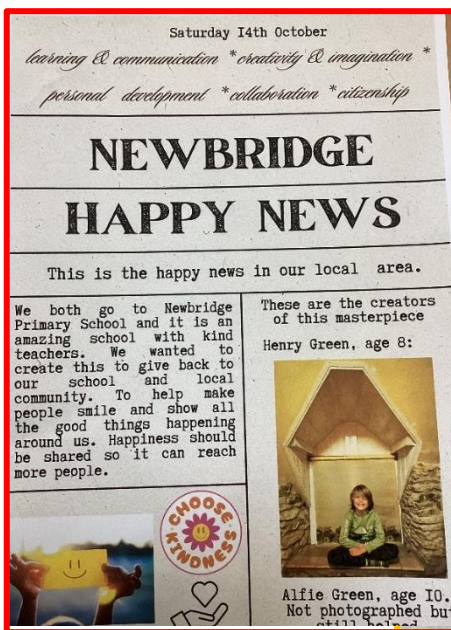
Music Stars of the Week

Kameron B, Class 4T Hayley M, Class 4B



A HEADTEACHER MENTION

In contrast to very concerning world news, Henry G (Class 4B) and Alfie G (Class 6KR), absolutely made my day when they presented me with 'Newbridge Happy News'. In their own time at the weekend, they thoughtfully designed their own newspaper, only publishing happy news. It was incredible – truly! Well done.



Bath Half Marathon

Well done and thank you to all of our Bath Half runners!



Henry H, 6N, was helping hand out medals with the Scouts.

Alex, dad of Henry and Roly.



Jonathan, dad of Milo

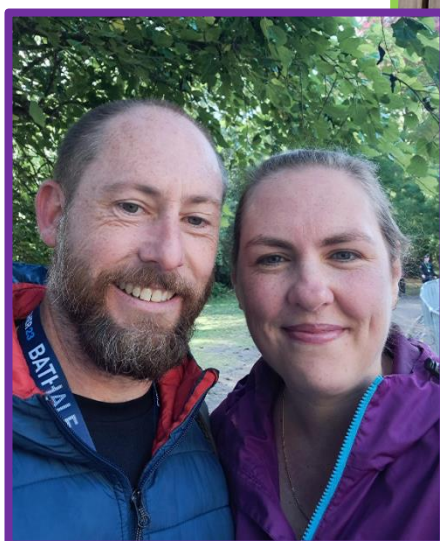


Rupert, dad of Rosie and Heidi.

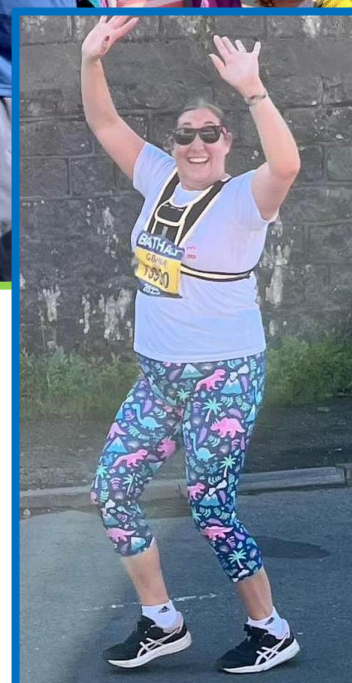
Sarah, Mum of Georgie and Emily.



Sean and Ash, parents of Mackenzie.



Genna, mum of Charlie and George.



Around School This Week

At Newbridge we really value citizenship, it is one of our five key values. We are extremely proud of our Year 2 Play Leaders, who are giving up their time to help others.



Finley H, Aous A, Tessa G and Noa J



Sophia A, Alaya-M M, Ruairi H and Bill H

They are showing everyone what amazing Newbridge citizens they are. These children will be taking on the responsibility until the end of term 2. Thanks also to all the children in Year 2 who offered to help, it is great to see that so many of them want to give back to our community - well done!

Thank you everyone, we are very proud of you all.

Ms Rhodes & Mr Mullee



Our School Library

Don't forget, the Library is open to borrow books **every weekday until 4pm.**

Very kindly, parent volunteers give up their time to promote an enjoyment of reading and access to the Library.

Please find the Library through the Upper School Foyer and Blue Room.

QUAD KIDS ATHLETICS

Two weeks ago, members of Year 4 took part in an "In School Quad Kids Athletics competition". Children each did a standing long jump, a howler throw, a sprint and a longer 400m run. Times and measurements were taken and the results were compiled to give an overall score.

The team from Class 4T of Mabel, Charlie, Amelie, Alice, Freja, Niki, Kameron, Afek, Tommy and Harith performed brilliantly and not only came first out of our school, but when compared to results from the other eleven schools taking part, actually **came first overall**, as well!

Charlie commented, "It was really fun and I want to do it again!"

In addition to this, Mabel won the overall individual title for Girls. This included all 4 events!

What a fantastic effort from the team. Well done!

By Mabel and Mr Seaborne



Florence Nightingale Day



Year 1 had a fantastic day on Monday where they celebrated the life of Florence Nightingale. The children came in dressed as nurses, doctors and wounded soldiers and spent the morning taking part in different activities such as making lamps, bandaging dollies, acting out caring for injured soldiers in a hospital and learning about Florence's life. All the children made such an effort to get into the spirit of the day and had such a brilliant time.





Year 6 Netball Match



Sophie E, Lynne A, Lara H, Sebastian S, Oliver R, Chloe W, Maya C L
Katie M, Imogen G, Zelda L and Julia F C

On Tuesday, our Year 6 netball squad took part in the B&NES Netball Cup. They played against a strong St John's team from Keynsham.

The whole squad played incredibly well and demonstrated great skills and techniques. The game consisted of 8 minute quarters, the first quarter ended 0-0 but Newbridge quickly took the lead in the second quarter, leading 1-0 at half time. The goal was scored by Sophie E.

The second half started with St John's stepping up it gear. They played very well even though the Newbridge defence were brilliant! St John's scored 4 goals leaving the score line at 1-4.

The final quarter saw Newbridge play some excellent netball and really start to gel as a team. Oliver R scored an amazing 5 goals at with only 5 minutes to go, Newbridge were in the lead. However, sadly, St John's managed to score one final goal, leaving the score line at a very tense 5-6.

Well done to all the Year 6 player and a special mention must go to our cheerleaders, who supported the whole match on the sidelines.

Mrs Bartlett

Feel Good Friday

Cheryl from Mojo Moves





Harvest Celebrations



Bea, Class 6N and Sophie, Class 6N sorting the Harvest donations for our display.

Thank you to everyone for your generous contributions.



Music News

We are delighted to announce that Newbridge Primary School has been recognised for its achievements in Music and has been awarded the schools' Music Mark again this year. We love music at our school and seeing just how much joy it brings our children, so we are delighted to be recognised in this way.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

This school is proud to be a
MUSIC MARK SCHOOL

In recognition of a commitment to
providing a high-quality music education
for all children and young people

2023 - 2024



Bridget Whyte
CEO of Music Mark



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The UK Association for Music Education - Music Mark | www.musicmark.org.uk

Year 6 have been loving the Adventure Trail



Our Little Free Library

At Newbridge, we really want to encourage a 'love of reading' so this year, the Little Free Library is filled with books for all ages, all the time!

Please feel free to bring your child in after school any day to choose a book to keep.

If you would like to donate any books, you can leave them on the tables in the foyer for the librarians to sort.

Happy Reading, All.

Mrs Amor



TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

It's the one and only **Terry Twizzlesticks**, Rock Legend here, calling all you times tables rockers to rock out in a battle of the Key Stage 2 classes over the half term holiday. You are called to participate in the Terry Twizzler's Tournament to find out which class is going to be rocking an extra playtime if they are the Key Stage 2 winning class!

Get rocking from Friday 20th October @15:15 until Monday 30th October @08:30. The class with the highest score will earn the kudos of being a rocking class as well as an extra playtime for being Times Tables Rockstars.



Are you up for the challenge?

Happy Rocking,

Terry Twizzlestick (AKA Mrs Keynes)



‘500 Words’ Writing Competition

The UK’s most successful children’s writing competition ‘**500 words**’ has just launched! The writing will be judged by several well-known authors including the author of the ‘Horrid Henry’ series Francesca Simon and Sir Lenny Henry and the prizes include the winner’s story being brought to life by well-known illustrators and winning a tower of books.

Children of all abilities are encouraged to use their creativity and imagination to **write a story they would love to read** without the pressure of having to worry about spelling, punctuation and grammar. The main rule is that the story needs to be no more than 500 words long.

For all other rules and details, go to the following link:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words/about-500-words-collection/zj9b8p3>

All stories must be submitted online at the website above. The deadline for the competition is **Friday 10th November**.

If anyone does submit a story, please also send us a copy at school via the school email address enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk as we’d love to see what fantastic stories have been created!

ADVENTURE READS NON-FICTION READS OTHER GREAT BOOKS

OBVIOUSLY FAR TOO MANY TO FIT ON A SMALL FLYER



The Wild Robot
Peter Brown
Links: Nature, robots, adoptive parents, animal instincts
Warnings: Animal death, mild peril (characters chased),



Interview with a Tiger
Andy Seed & Nick East
Links: Animals, interviews
Warnings: None



Dragon Storm
Alastair Chisholm
Links: Dragons
Warnings: Mild peril



Factopia
Kate Hale & Andy Smith
Links: Multiple!
Warnings: None



Royal Rabbits of London
Santa & Simon Sebag Montefiore
Links: Animals, Royal family, London
Warnings: Mild peril, bullying



Earth is Big
Steve Tomecek & Marcos Farina
Links: Nature, Maths, science
Warnings: None



Space Detectives
Mark Powers & Dapo Adeola
Links: Space travel, aliens
Warnings: Mild peril



Kay's Anatomy
Adam Kay & Henry Parker
Links: Science, bodies
Warnings: All bodily functions included



For more information on these books, scan the QR code. For more advice or to get in touch;
Email: Misterbodd@outlook.com
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ASPIRATIONAL READS LONGER READS FUNNY READS

(OVER 250 PAGES)

FOR YOUNGER READERS

As a parent and a teacher, one of the hardest things is finding appropriate challenging reads for Key Stage 1 pupils.

Wanting to stretch capable readers usually ends up with them being given inappropriate books. This is why I wanted to create this new book list, to support parents and teachers to find appropriately challenging books for younger readers.

All 16 of the books on the main list have been enjoyed by my own children when they were in Year 2.

As well as being accessible as read alones for your most capable readers, the list is also a great list of read alouds for younger children who enjoy longer stories. The longer reads section does include some challenging reads than many KS1 children may find too tricky.

I hope you and your readers enjoy.
@MisterBodd





Guardians of Magic
Chris Riddell
Links: Magic, fairy tales
Warnings: Mild peril



Rex: Dinosaur in Disguise
Elys Dolan
Links: Dinosaurs, careers
Warnings: None



Peanut Jones
Rob Biddulph
Links: Draw with Rob, famous artists, London landmarks
Warnings: Mild peril, Missing father



Grimwood
Nadia Shireen
Links: Animals, comparing country and city
Warnings: Mild peril, missing parents



Rainbow Grey
Laura Ellen Anderson
Links: Weather, superpowers
Warnings: Mild peril



Legend of Kevin
Philip Reeve & Sarah McIntyre
Links: Mythical creatures, extreme weather
Warnings: None



Charlie Changes into a Chicken
Sam Copeland & Sarah Horne
Links: School show, transformation
Warnings: Mild peril, sibling in hospital



Panda at the Door
Sarah Horne
Links: Mary Poppins, Edinburgh Zoo
Warnings: Parental split (resolved)



WE ARE HIRING

Join Our Team !

**DO YOU WANT TO WORK WITH CHILDREN IN
YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL?**

JOB POSITION : SMSA

Newbridge Primary School is a large primary school on the outskirts of Bath with approximately 400 pupils on roll. This school is strongly committed to enabling each child access to a broad, enriched education of the highest quality. Our aspiration is to be the best we can be and we are very ambitious about what we can achieve for our children. The following post offers an opportunity to be part of a supportive, caring and committed school community who have high expectations of themselves and each other, and who have children at the centre of their philosophy.

As soon as possible, we would like to appoint a School Meals Supervisory Assistant to cover the following hours:



Monday - Friday
11.45am – 1.15pm
£10.79 per hour
Permanent Contract



The ideal candidate would have to:

- Be patient and caring
- Be dedicated to all children achieving the best they can
- Be an excellent team player
- Resilient and energetic

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the children. We follow safer recruitment practices and appointments are subject to an enhanced DBS check.

**To find out more, please contact Newbridge
Primary School**

**enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk
01225 421675**

OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Our October 2023 holiday club days provide a range of fun outdoor activities for children aged 5-11 including:

Den building Campfire cooking Environmental arts and crafts Bush craft Storytelling Games

Plus plenty of opportunities for free range, child-led play and exploration

Sessions will be led by Sarah Webb, with two other assistants.

Sarah is an experienced Forest School leader based in Bath, with DBS disclosure, First Aid training and public liability insurance. The site and all activities are risk-assessed.

Tues 24th
3 x spaces left

Wed 25th
Full

Time: 9.00am – 4.00pm

Please bring morning snack, packed lunch and a water bottle. Campfire snacks will be provided in the afternoon

Cost: 1 day booking: £40 per day – siblings £38 per child per day
2 day booking: £78 per child

Booking essential, please email valair1@hotmail.com or call on 07825 610145 for a booking form. Spaces are limited to 20-25 children per day.

Please note: The Wildwood is out of action during this week. We will make use of the rest of the school grounds. Activities listed above are a go!

★ **OCTOBER HALF-TERM** ★
MULTI-SPORTS CLUB
 AT KEYNSHAM CRICKET CLUB
 BS31 1HU

 Monday 23rd – Thursday 26th October
9.00am–3.30pm

- Welcome to all
- School Years 1-7
- Varied multi-sports/activities
- Inclusive & friendly
- Low child:coach Ratios
- Learn new skills
- Meet new friends
- HAVE FUN!

£20 A DAY



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 Contact – tombryan@live.co.uk – 07891918722



 <p>23rd Oct</p>	 <p>15th Nov</p>	 <p>15th Nov</p>
<p>Bath Lantern Workshop</p> <p>A fun activity for kids to get involved with over the October Half Term!</p> <p>Banish the winter blues by creating a willow lantern at our lantern making workshop.</p> <p>You can show off your lantern at Bath Lights the Night.</p> <p>Tickets are free, donations are welcome</p> <p>welcometobath.co.uk/bath-lights-the-night</p>	<p>Bath Lights the Night</p> <p>Bringing light to the streets of Bath during the gloomy dark days, join us across the city to walk through the streets of Bath with beautiful handmade lanterns created by local children. Finishing at Bath Abbey for some music.</p> <p>Seats are on a first come first served basis.</p> <p>welcometobath.co.uk/bath-lights-the-night</p>	<p>Music at the Abbey</p> <p>Following the Bath Lights the Night procession through the city, we will meet at the Abbey for an evening filled with music and singing from the Orchestra of Everything.</p> <p>If you are in the parade we will reserve a seat for you.</p> <p>Tickets are free, there will be a retiring collection in aid of Dorothy House.</p> <p>welcometobath.co.uk/bath-lights-the-night</p>

Browse events and activities at welcometobath.co.uk/beautiful-bath-at-christmas