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Term 3

Monday 13th January
Clubs start this week
Thursday 16th January
Year 4 Multiplication Meeting
at 3.30pm

Tuesday 21st January
NPSA Meeting at 7.30pm
Monday 27th January
Year 6 Assessment Week

Friday 31st January

NPSA Cake & Uniform Sale

Parents to look at books

3.15pm – 4pm

Monday 3rd February

Parents to look at books
3.15pm – 4pm
Tuesday 4th February
Parents to look at books
3.15pm – 4pm
Wednesday 5th February

Wednesday 5th February
Parent and Teacher Meetings
Tuesday 11th February
Parent and Teacher Meetings
Friday 14th February
End of Term 3

Term 4

Monday 24th February Start of Term 4 Tuesday 25th February **Book Fair Week** Friday 28th February EYFS Egg Theatre Trip Wednesday 5th March Year 4 Roman Baths Visit Friday 7th March NPSA Cake and Uniform Sale W/C Monday 10th March **Book Week** Wednesday 12th March Year 5 Residential Meeting 3:30pm Thursday 13th March World Book Day Friday 14th March Ladybird Class Assembly 2.40pm Tuesday 18th March NPSA Meeting Friday 21st March Bee Class Assembly 2.40pm Monday 24th March Clubs finish this week Tuesday 25th March NPSA Meeting Thursday 27th March Year 1 Minibeast Visitor Friday 28th March Year 4 Assembly 2:30pm Monday 31st March Year 6 Dance Umbrella

> Friday 4th April End of Term 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to Term 3. I hope you were able to enjoy the holiday period and found time to relax and catch up with friends and family. It has been a positive start to the term, with a good deal happening, whilst establishing all of the important routines and expectations in school.

Year 4 launch their new enquiry: Year 4 got off to a quick start this week and launched their new enquiry by welcoming visitors on Wednesday. History came to life when the Roman Baths brought their workshop into school. The children handled 2000 year-old artefacts including a Roman bowl from France and original mosaic tiles from Bath. The children were fascinated.

Absence in term time and punctuality: Please know that absence in term time will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. All absence requests must be completed two weeks in advance, when this is possible. All requests must be made via the online form, to which a response will be sent in return. The form can be found here here. Arriving at school on time ensures a calm start to the day for everyone. Therefore, all children must arrive through the school gates by 8.53am to be in class for registration at 8.55am. Children who are not in class at this time will be marked as Late (L) and Unauthorised (U) after 9.10am. Please ensure that you bring your child to the Office, to sign them in, if they are late.

School Uniform Reminders: It is important that everyone upholds the school dress code as this reflects our high standards and expectations. Please note the following: children are not permitted to wear boots, and trainers can only be worn on PE days. Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back at all times, with no elaborate hair pieces. The only jewellery allowed is stud earrings – no bracelets, rings, necklaces or hoop earrings. Nail varnish is not permitted. Uniform items should be grey and not black for trousers, shorts and pinafores. Thank you for your support in meeting our standards.

Healthy Schools: We promote healthy eating throughout the school day. With this, whilst it is a lovely thought that parents wish to bring in cakes and treats on children's birthdays, we are not able to support these requests. Parents sometimes ask what can be provided as a packed lunch. We suggest that sugary and salty snacks are kept to a minimum and that the lunch contains some fresh fruit and vegetables. <u>Here</u> are some useful packed lunch ideas from the NHS. Please note that we are a nut-free school.

Extra-Curricular Activities: For those children entitled to free school meals eligible by benefit, there will be no charge applicable for fee paying clubs. Please contact the office to know where there are remaining spaces. All clubs start on Monday 13th January.

Welcome: We have had the pleasure of welcoming five new pupils this week. Lilou and Rudi have joined Class 2R, Sebby has joined Class 2OG, Scarlett Rose has joined Class 3DE and Amy has joined Class 4BA. We hope that they and their families will be very happy in our care and within the wider school community. We also welcome Miss Williams, who is now teaching in Class 2R, following Ms Rhodes' retirement.

Goodbye: Sadly, we said goodbye to Ritisha in Class 2R this week, as she returns to India. We have felt fortunate to have had her as a member of school for the past year. We wish her and her family every success.

Back to School Health Advice: We have received this health advice from the UK Health Security Agency <u>Back</u> to School Health Advice and have been asked to share it with parents and carers.

Parking around the school site: Again, we ask that when collecting and dropping off, parents and carers do not park in a way which will cause a hazard to pedestrians and other drivers. This includes not parking outside the school gates, which is dangerous, and causes chaos.

Contacting the school: For all correspondence, please can parents use the email address enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk.

Severe Weather: Please be advised, that if it is necessary to close the school in the event of severe weather, parents and carers will be notified by email. This decision will be made as early as possible and will be determined by understanding the safety of the school site, and which staff are able to travel to and from work.

Google Classroom: Please read the 'blog' posted on Google Classroom today, telling you about the class learning and activities. This update is provided for parents and carers to continue learning conversations at home.

With best wishes, and enjoy the weekend, Gill Kennaugh

★STARS OF THE WEEK

ra F, Elliot A-R

Ladybirds – Hamish B, Ellie E Bees – Dara F, Elliot A-R **IDO** – Flora H, Sienna S 1G - April H, Mia P, **20G** – Annie G, Sebby H 2R – Lilou R, Rudi D 3DE – Aous A, Theodore P 3M – Izzy M, Peace F 4B – Ada H, Phoenix KG 4BA – Amy V, Jia W 5HK – Audrey E, Elizabeth D 5F – Altan H, Thomas B 6KR - Clara W, Deniz T **6N** – Harry B, Sonny M PE Stars of the Week: April B Class 4B Georgie K Class 4B Music Stars of the Week: Hannah M Class 4B Kameron B Class 5F ********

Little Free Library



We have lots of books in our book exchange- the Little Free Library in the foyer of the Upper School- ready to be given a new home.

There are picture books and chapter books so there's

chapter books so there's something for the youngest to the oldest children to enjoy. We have lots of books in storage so you are welcome to simply choose a book to keep with no need to exchange at this time. Happy reading! Mrs Amor

What Makes Us Human?

Year 6 have begun their new enquiry 'What makes us human?'. They have explored the content of blood by making

'Blood Smoothies'.

Each ingredient represented a different component of blood.

'The smoothie tasted like the one I have for breakfast! Making the smoothie has helped me remember the make up of blood.' Chloe H 'The blood smoothie was made up of strawberries = red blood cells, marshmallows = white blood cells, pineapple juice = plasma

and sprinkles = platelets. The lesson helped us to remember what the blood is made out of.' Rakib









BLOOD SMOOTHIE

Have a go at making your own blood using the smoothie ingredients below. Each ingredient represents a different component of blood.

Blood smoothie recipe

- 300g raspberries or strawberries (red blood cells)
- A few small white marshmallows (white blood cells)
- 1 teaspoon of sprinkles (platelets)
- 400ml pineapple juice (plasma)

Blend all the ingredients inside a blender to make your blood.

SUCCESS CRITERIA

- •I can name the different blood vessels
- •I can name the components of blood
- •I can describe the functions of blood





Making Connections



The Roman Baths at Newbridge

On Wednesday, Year 4 were lucky enough to take part in a workshop organised by the Roman Baths.

They were given the opportunity to handle artefacts that were 2000 years old, wear togas, make a Roman chariot and learn all about how the Romans built their roads.

David, the curator, was very impressed with the children's knowledge and enthusiasm. We are all looking forward to visiting the Roman Baths in March.











Intergalactic Adventures In Year 1



This week, Year 1 have launched their new enquiry - Whatever Next? They began the morning by plunging their rooms into darkness and imagining they were in space. They then received an exciting delivery from an astronaut! Inside the box were so many interesting photos and objects for the children to discuss - they developed some great questions that will be explored over the term.





A Jungle Themed Visit in the School Office

This is Scarlett who has started at Newbridge this week. Scarlett came to the Office to introduce us to Spots the Giraffe. We were all so impressed at how tall Spots was! A warm welcome to them both!



Are you having a post Christmas clear-out?



To keep the excitement of OPAL going, we particularly are requesting the following items, if you might have any, please.

Anything on wheels - suitcases, pushchairs, trolleys, skateboards, scooters, bikes, wheelchairs, Trunkies

Fancy clothing - fun items for dressing up, any shape or size

Kitchen – Pots, pans, utensils

Wellies – size 5 upwards

Anything else, we'll give it a second life....surprise us!





Knife crime awareness events



Join us at

Newbridge Primary School

Wednesday 22nd January, 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Chew Valley School

Monday 10th February, 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Parents and carers in B&NES are invited to learn about the devastating impact of knife crime and how they can support young people to steer away from its dangers at a series of events.

You will hear from a guest speaker with lived experience who has been personally affected by knife crime. There will be an opportunity to hear about the support available for children and families in B&NES and view a partnership film on county lines.

There will also be a panel discussion with an opportunity to ask questions.

Free tickets can be booked in advance via **Eventbrite**, search for **B&NES VRP** to find your negrest event.

The event is organised by the Bath & North East Somerset Violence Reduction Partnership which aims to prevent and reduce violence in our area.

Any questions about the event can be emailed to

VRP_Events@bathnes.gov.uk

Or book your ticket now on Eventbrite

For more information visit

Bath & North East Somerset Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP)



















