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Term 4

Monday 24th February Start of Term 4 Tuesday 25th February Book Fair Week **Class 20G Forest School** Thursday 27th February Class 4B Forest School Friday 28th February EYFS Egg Theatre Trip NPSA Cake Sale Tuesday 4th March Class 2R Forest School Wednesday 5th March Year 4 Roman Baths Visit Thursday 6th March World Book Day Class 4BA Forest School Friday 7th March ' Dress as a word' Dav NPSA Cake and Uniform Sale Wednesday 12th March Year 5 Residential Meeting 3:30pm 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 Friday 28th March Year 4 Assembly 2:30pm Monday 31st March Year 6 Dance Umbrella Friday 4th April End of Term 4

Inset Days 2024/25

Friday 27th June Tuesday 22nd July Please <u>click here</u> for the

term dates.

Please check lost property today.

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term has brought about an incredible amount of creative planning, teaching and learning. Each week, each day, there has been something different happening across the school, or off site. Thank you to everyone who makes our school truly amazing.

Safer Internet Day: Tuesday, was Safer Internet Day, which is created in consultation with young people across the UK. Mrs Derrien led an impactful whole school assembly, promoting important messages about appropriate rules and boundaries as well as informing the children of the recommended age for social media platforms. I hope that the children will have come home and continued these important conversations. The children were given a a 'Digital Family Agreement'. This is a useful document that families might want to use to help everyone in the family to set expectations around technology and internet use. In addition, all Year 5 and Year 6 pupils attended a safer internet workshop led by Papaya. Barney 6N reports 'It was good for me to think about using devices, that night I didn't want to use screens and spent time with my family'. Year 3 and 4 Gymnastics Competition: Well done to Ava B, Ben W, April B, Mya W, Saskia H, Noa J, Georgie K, Sophie S, Sophia D and Grace D who competed in the B&NES schools' gymnastic competition on Tuesday at Baskervilles. The children enjoyed representing the school and taking part. Well done to Sophia, who came third overall.

Girls' Football v WASPS: The girls were in action on Wednesday, in an away match at WASPS. Following on from a win in their last match, the game did not fall their way, this time. The team returned to school defeated but not downhearted – they will strive for their next win in an upcoming cup match. Well done, girls – yet again you were fantastic ambassadors for our school.

Celebrating Books: The travelling Book Fair will be in school from Wednesday 26th February until Monday 3rd March. This will be situated in the Blue Room in the Upper School and will be open for the purchase of books after school. In the week commencing 3rd March, activities will be planned around enjoying books. Please see full details below of these activities, including 'books and bagels' and an opportunity to dress-up.

Junior Leadership Team: Thank you to all of the children who submitted applications to be members of the JLT. Those nominated this time are listed below. We look forward to hearing more about your ideas.

PE and Forest School days from Term 4: Some PE days will change from the start of Term 4.

	PE	Forest School
Reception	Wednesday	Monday
Year 1	Tuesday and Friday	
Year 2	Monday and Thursday	Tuesday (every other week)
Year 3	Tuesday and Thursday	
Year 4	Wednesday and Thursday	Thursday (every other week)
Year 5	Tuesday and Wednesday (please note the change)	
Year 6	Tuesday and Wednesday	

Our NPSA: Thank you for the fun Bingo event after school last Friday – this is always a big hit with he children. Below, you will note that roles for the NPSA Committee are published, for September 2025. After diligent service and outstanding leadership, Mrs Derrien will step down as Chair. Ms Pollard has kept the NPSA on track with her organisation and secretarial skills for a number of years, and will also step down. The full details of what these volunteer roles entail are listed. Please consider these – they make a significant difference to our children, families and our community – meaning you can be a part of something very special.

Many congratulations: We were delighted to hear that Mrs Best gave birth to a beautiful baby boy on Tuesday night. There was a ripple of excitement running through the school on Wednesday morning when everyone heard the news. We send Mrs Best and her family our love and congratulations.

B&NES Term dates 25/26: We follow the term dates set by B&NES. Within these, we set 5 training days. The only one agreed at this time is Tuesday 2nd September 2025. The B&NES dates can be found <u>here.</u>

Lost Property: Please can all parents and carers check the mounds of lost property we hold in school. Before going home today. For the Upper School, this is hung on the two rows of pegs immediately inside the Upper School Cloakroom. For the Lower School, this is in a red box in the Lower School Hall.

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 conversations at home.

Wishing everyone a lovely, restful half-tem. We return to school on Monday 24th February. Gill Kennaugh

STARS OF THE WEEK

Bees – Whole Class!

1DO – Freya G, Livia W

20G – Ava L-R, Charlotte J

3DE – Finn O'B, Grace D

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4B – Katie H, Oliver T

5HK – Edward M, Grace B

6KR – Chelsea L, Chloe H

Ladybirds – Whole Class!

1G – Flo C, Sidney N

2R – Georgia S, Harry M

3M – Finoula S, Izzy C

4BA – Javier W, William C

5F – Carla L, Ronnie H

6N – Flora K, Jake S

PE Stars of the Week: Elizabeth B Class 3DE, Saskia H Class 4BA Music Stars of the Week: Jacob J Class 5F, Tymofii L Class 6KR



Year 2 have been asking the question 'What do I know about Islam?' They were so lucky to have Rakib, Khadejia and Shadan visit them from Year 5 and Year 6 who spoke with such eloquence about following their faith. The children from Year 2 listened to every word and asked excellent questions at the end. It was fantastic to have this firsthand experience. Thank you all of you for sharing this, it was very special.





Junior Leadership Team

BREAKING NEWS: Congratulations to the newly-selected member of the JLT! They were chosen by the existing members, who looked at all applications. More information about the JLT and their work will appear a future edition of this Newsletter and on Google Classroom. We would like to thank everyone who applied; the standard of the letters, presentations and videos get better each year, and there are still lots of ways that children can help across the school, for example with the work of the Newbridge Equalities Team (NET) or with the OPAL Project.

1D0 - Annabel B

20G - Annie G

3DE - Finn O'B

4BA – Ella E

5HK - Khadeja K

1G - Sidney N

2R - Penny T

3M – Matilda S

4B - Florence D

5F - Amelie S

Celebrating a love of books and reading

We are very excited to be celebrating World Book Day at school. We have lots of exciting events planned for the children.

On Friday 7th March we will be having a 'Dress as a word day.' This could be anything from 'aardvark' to 'zoo' or anything in between.

Our aim is for you to be creative but not at a cost. Feel free to use what you already have, or even just make use of some paper and safety pins.

We can't wait to see what the children decide to be.

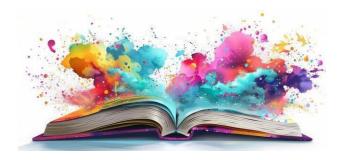
The Book Fair is back!

The Book Fair is returning between Wednesday 26th February and Monday 3rd March. It will be held after school each day until 4pm in the Blue Room so make sure you come along and buy some fantastic books!

Payment will be all online via QR codes which will be displayed around the Upper School Foyer.

You will need your credit/debit card as well as your device to scan the QR codes so make sure you bring both with you.

We look forward to seeing you there!







What a wonderful surprise it was to have a visit in the office this week from Ellie-Mae with her fantastic Egyptian Pyramid. The pyramid opened out to reveal a treasure trove of jewels and even included a small, jeweled bird. Ellie-Mae spent over 2 weeks making this, and you can tell, so much hard work went into it. Well done Ellie-Mae, thank you for bringing so much sparkle in for us all to enjoy.

Year 3 History of Medicine







Last week, as part of their enquiry on 'What Makes A Scientist?' Year 3 have had two special visitors in to talk about medicine throughout history, looking at what it is like in hospitals today compared to what it was like in Victorian times.

Many thanks to Dr Jolley and Dr Bevan for giving us their time to share their knowledge and create excitement about working in medicine!





Year 3 and Year 4 Gymnastics

Tuesday saw ten Newbridge Gymnasts attend the B&NES gym competition at Baskervilles Gym. The standard of competition was very high but all children performed really well, with our Level 2 gymnasts finishing 10th and our Level 1 gymnasts finishing 5th. A special mention to Sophia D who also finished 3rd overall in the individual competition. Thanks to Mr Prince and Mrs Stock for driving the bus, and Mrs O'Gara for preparing the team so thoroughly. Well done to all involved!



Newbridge was represented by: Ava B, Ben W, April B, Mya W, Saskia H, Noa J, Georgie K, Sophie S, Sophia D and Grace D.



Year 5/6 Girls' Football v WASPS

Wednesday saw 13 footballers travel back to WASPS for a football friendly. Enthusiasm and energy levels were high as all players played hard throughout the match. Unfortunately, WASPS were too strong for us on this occasion, and won the match 8-0. Resilient as always, Newbridge players continued to until the final whistle and gained yet more valuable football experience to take forward to our next match. Special well done to Bethan T for another battling performance as Player of the Day in the heart of the Newbridge defence! Thank you to Mrs Manners for travelling in the bus as our second adult and to all the other parents who turned up to support the girls on a cold winter's afternoon.

Our Newbridge Team were: Isobel M, Bethan T, Precious F, Olivia S, Clara W, Maddie H, Cerys L, Amira A, Grace B, Nancy BJ, Alessia Z, Alice S and Grace W.



NPSA Bingo

Much fun was had last Friday at the NPSA bingo event. Alice and Grace (Class 6KR) expertly conducted the calling and recording of numbers, and after a few tense moments, Finn (Ladybirds), Amelie (5F) and Chloe (6KR) were the lucky winners.

Some Year 6 children were very keen for the bingo machine to be taken to Kilve!

Thanks to everyone who helped support this event, hopefully we will have another before the year is out!







What a creative week the children are having as we also had a visit from Ava and Flora to show us the fantastic sword they made together. Flora designed this and gave the plans to Ava to make from clay. It was a very intricate design and demonstrated such effective teamwork. Thank you Ava and Flora for bringing this in to show us, you should both be very proud of all your hard work.



JOIN

OUR TEAM!



Are you looking for a way to make a positive impact in your child's school community? The NPSA need YOU! We're looking for a new Chair and Secretary, beginning September 2025.



Chair

- Lead on fundraising with the support of the committee
- Liaise with school to develop shared objectives
- Have fun, thinking of new and exciting ways to bring our wonderful community together!

Secretary



- With the support of the committee, draw up agendas for meetings
- Attend meetings and take minutes (then circulate)
- Be the point of contact for the Charity Commission

For the full job specification or to ask any questions, please email npsabath@gmail.com



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It is a lot of fun, and a great way to start the day. It is open to all ages – parents, grandparents and toddlers, too. There is no need to sign up, just come along at 8.10am on a Friday morning, in the Upper School Hall.



Newbridge Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children. The post is subject to Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service checks. Applicants will be required to undertake pre-employment checks

OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL February 2025



Holiday Club provides 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 either Jonny Houston or Claire Pickman, both experienced Forest School leaders, with DBS disclosure, First Aid training and public liability insurance. The site and all activities are risk-assessed.

Dates: Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th February

(Thursday 20th February now full)

Time: 9.00am – 4.00pm

Cost: 1st booking: £40 2nd day or 2nd child: £38

Please note, payment will be asked for at time of booking

Booking essential:Please email Lesley on musiclch@yahoo.co.uk for a booking form.Spaces are limited to 20 children per day.

Your booking will be confirmed once your completed booking form and payment have been received.

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





