

NPSA NEWS

Welcome to this week's NPSA newsletter. Half term is almost upon us - hooray! - and with it two brand new NPSA events: the Pumpkin Carving Competition and the Autumn Trail. Please do take part if you can, they promise to be lots of fun.

Pumpkin Carving Competition

If you haven't already entered, what are you waiting for?! Pumpkins are 99p in Lidl (other retail outlets are available) and there are hundreds of inspiring ideas for ways to carve or decorate a pumpkin on Pinterest. There are three age categories (lower school, upper school, and adult) so everyone can take part and be in with a chance of winning one of the lovely prizes generously donated by local businesses.

Go to buytickets.at/npsa to complete your entry form.

Entry costs £2 per pumpkin (you can enter more than one) and you'll need to deliver your carved or decorated pumpkin to school between 10am and 12pm on Saturday 31st October for it to be included in the Autumn Trail, where visitors will vote for the best pumpkin in each age category.

Everyone who enters a pumpkin will get one free entry to the Autumn Trail (although please note that you do still have to book your Trail ticket, so that we can monitor numbers.)

Autumn Trail



Come to the school woodland between 1pm and 4pm on Saturday 31st October to complete the puzzles and games on our Autumn Trail, and to vote for your favourite pumpkins in the Pumpkin Carving Competition. You can even pre-order some sweets to enjoy on the way round.

Tickets are available from today at buytickets.at/npsa and they cost £2 each (you get one free ticket with each pumpkin you enter in the competition).

You'll need to book a timeslot, and - of course - follow the social distancing measures in place on the day. And remember to bring your own pen or pencil to complete the trail sheet!



GARDENING

Can you help?

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to help keep our school gardens looking good. If anyone else would like to join them, please email npsabath@gmail.com and we'll put you in touch. If you're in any way green-fingered, this is a great way to make a tangible difference to our children's school environment, and get to know some new parents at the same time.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE

Can you help?

Thank you to those parents who have already volunteered to put together class Christmas hampers for the raffle. If you'd like to volunteer to organise this for your class, please speak to your Class Rep to find out what's involved. As soon as we have a volunteer from each class, we'll circulate the themes so you can start planning your hampers.

CALENDAR

If you run, or work for, a local business that would like to sponsor the NPSA Calendar, please get in touch with Helen Clarke by sending an email to watkins_morgan@hotmail.com.

Sponsorship costs £37.50 and you'll need to provide a hi-res logo and a sentence or two about what your business does, to go on the sponsors' page. Your support would make a real difference. Thank you.

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NPSA MEETING

The next NPSA meeting will be held on Wednesday **11th November at 8pm, via Zoom**. It will be a Special General Meeting, as we will be voting on some amends to the NPSA Constitution. The Zoom link will be sent out via Class Reps nearer the time, along with the agenda and copies of the amended Constitution for review.

We will be providing an update on the activities planned for the rest of this year, and giving all attendees a sneak peak at January's new event. If you have any ideas you want to put forward, or anything specific you want to discuss at the meeting, please email npsabath@gmail.com and we'll add it to the agenda.

Also, there will be wine. (Or there will if you pour yourself a glass.) Please join if you can.

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Many of you will choose to shop local this Christmas, but if you are shopping with Amazon, please consider using Amazon Smile and generating FREE MONEY for the NPSA. Simply shop at smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1014793-0 or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon shopping app, and Amazon will make a donation to the NPSA - and it won't cost you a penny! With Black Friday fast approaching there will be plenty of tempting offers available online, so please remember to use AmazonSmile if you can.

You can also continue to support the NPSA through the Giving Machine for other online purchases at retailers like John Lewis, Tesco, Boden, Currys (and lots more!) Start your shopping at our Giving Machine page and a percentage of what you spend will come directly to the NPSA for FREE:

<https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/newbridge-primary-school/>



All of the events lined up for this term and in January are the result of parents coming forward with exciting ideas about how we can have fun together and raise money at the same time. If you've got an idea for a fundraising event or activity that you'd be willing to help organise, please get in touch with us by sending an email to npsabath@gmail.com - we'd love to hear from you.

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