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#### Term 1 2025/26

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October NPSA Newbridge's Got Talent Launch

Wednesday 21st October
Online Parent Teacher
Meetings from 2.30pm
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October
End of Term 1
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Inset Day for staff
Term 2

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November Return to school Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November Forest School 4AB Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November Forest School 2KO NPSA Fireworks Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Forest School 4N
Virtual NPSA Meeting 7.30pm
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November
Bath Blitz Walk 6B
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November
Forest School 20G

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November Newbridge's Got Talent Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November

Bath Blitz Walk 6KR

5HK Herschel Museum **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November** 5F Herschel Museum **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November** Books and Bagels 8.15am NPSA Cake Sale

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December NPSA Christmas Disco Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December NPSA Santa's Grotto

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December Lower School Nativity Class 2OG

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December Lower School Nativity Class 2KO

Thursday 11th December Y6 choir to Stratton House Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December Volunteers' Thank You

#### Inset Days 2025/26

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025 Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2026 Wednesday 22nd July. 2026 All of the dates for the

remainder of the year can be found on the calendar on the website, <u>here</u>.

Please click <u>here</u> for the term dates for 25/26

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are heading towards our final week of Term 1. The children are tired, because they have worked so hard and have adjusted to new routines and expectations. Next week is shorter, however, due to the Inset Day on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October when the school is closed to pupils.

**Safeguarding:** Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, and we take this aspect of our work very seriously. If you have concerns you wish to raise, please speak to a member of the Safeguarding Team; you can find details listed <a href="here">here</a>. Our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy can be found on the website <a href="here">here</a>.

Celebrating Harvest: Thank you very much for the generous donations for Genesis Trust and the Nest Project. The display of goods made a fantastic backdrop to our Harvest Assembly, in which all of the children performed songs. It was lovely to welcome Bee and Ladybird Classes to perform to the whole school for the first time. We thought about how when we work together as a community, we can make a big difference to others. We particularly focused on all of the work which has enabled the school allotment to look great, and produce food. Stuart, Esther and Ottilie who have committed time with their parents, presented on the work that has been achieved. They were particularly knowledgeable, and very proud of their achievements.

**Drama Workshops:** On Monday our Year 1 and Year 2 children enjoyed drama workshops led by Perform Drama Workshops. Read on to find out more about what the children experienced during the visit.

**Year 6 choir entertains:** We promote the importance of giving back and being responsible citizens. Today, our Year 6 choir members did just this when they visited Stratton House, a residential home for the elderly. Mrs Keep accompanied the visit and spoke highly of the children's interactions and the joy they brought to the residents

Fire Safety – What makes a hero? There was huge excitement in Year 1 this week as Avon Fire and Rescue paid a special visit. The children were thrilled to meet real-life firefighters and learn all about the incredible work they do to keep our community safe. The highlight of the morning had to be when the fire engine's siren blasted and having a go at spraying the powerful hose! The firefighters talked to the children about fire safety and the importance of knowing what to do in an emergency. We are grateful for the visit.

**Boys' Football v WASPS:** Last Friday, our boys' B team played at WASPS. It was a tough match but, as always, they took learning on board, and will go again. The A and B team were in action yesterday against Combe Down.

**Netball Tournament:** On Monday, seven girls set off for the B&NES Schools' Netball Tournament held at Ralph Allen School. Well done to Sophie, Mabel, Amelie, Lyla, Paula, Grace and Rosy for representing Newbridge Primary School so well. Please see below for a report of the tournament by Mrs Bartlett.

Anti-Idling: We are reminding parents and carers not to leave car engines running while waiting at drop-off or pick-up times. Idling engines produce harmful gases that contribute to air pollution, which can particularly affect children's lungs and those with asthma. Reducing emissions helps everyone breathe easier, especially around our busy school gates. Anti-idling Engagement Officers from B&NES will be present at the school gates next week to support this message.

Our NPSA: There will be a cake sale after school today. Many thanks for all of the donations in support of this. The NPSA 100 Club still has 30 numbers available. Please see the poster below for more information. Firework Tickets are currently on sale, and please look out for the sponsored event being launched on Monday.

**Keeping children safe**: A parent workshop is being held on 10th November at 9am. This will be led by a representative of Avon and Somerset Police and will cover online safety, with sensitive issues around child grooming and exploitation. This is open to all parents and there is no requirement to sign up. We encourage you to attend.

**Contact Details:** Please can all parents ensure the school holds up to date contact details for their child. All parents and carers must supply two contacts.

**Lost Property:** All of the unclaimed lost property which is unnamed is available for anyone to take. Please look in the Lower School Hall and the pegs and box immediately to your right in the Upper School cloakroom.

The teacher's blog on Google Classroom will have further updates of the week, with photographs.

Wishing you a good weekend. Gill Kennaugh



Ladybird –Isaac H, Jack D Bee – Dexter D, Noah P

1DE - Arthur B, Ezra S

20G – Alys J, Livia W

3DE – Harry M, Oscar BJ

4AB – Izzy C, Ruairi H, Xanthi D

**5HK** – Audrey B, Ivy C

6KR – Jacob J, Josh H

1H - Isaac W, Teddy L

2KO – Emily C, Lyra C

3M – Bonny HH, Layla J

4N - Finn O'B, Rex RB

5F – Alfie N. Kashvi R

6B – Harith A, Tabitha SM

PE Stars of the Week

Everyone that has taken part in an extra curricular sporting clubs this term

Music Stars of the Week

Arlo B Class 4N, Finola S Class 4AB

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### **Governors' Corner**

### **Our School's Vision and Values**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are undertaking a review of our school vision and learning values to ensure that they continue to reflect our school and community. As part of this, we will be consulting with staff, parents, pupils and governors. We want to hear from each and every one of you so please choose how you'd like to share your perspective - either complete this 5 minute online survey, collect a printed survey from the office or come and chat to a Governor after school today and share your views in person. We'll be in the in the Blue Room after school at the same time as the NPSA cake sale. The online survey will be live until 2 November and we'll be sharing the outcome of the consultation before the end of Term 2.

Many thanks,

Clare Moon

Chair of Governors

### **Lower School Drama Workshops**

The Lower School were very pleased to receive a visit from 'Perform' on Monday 13th October. The children had a wonderful time exploring the theme of Castles, Knights and Princesses and using drama and dance to help develop their confidence, concentration and social skills. Please see the poster at the end of the newsletter to find out more about sessions 'Perform' run in Bath.













## Celebrating Harvest











## **Forest School with Class 20G**





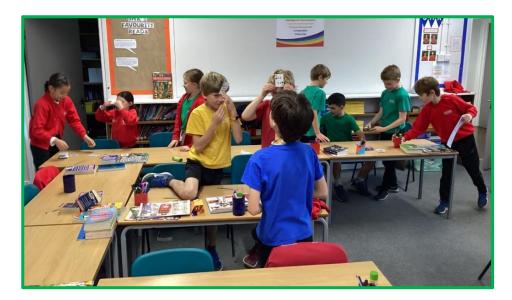


Forest School for Class 20G was such fun again. We played a great game whereby one child was the bat (blindfolded) and the moth had to be caught by the bat who used clapping to represent the echolocation bats use to ensure they don't fly into trees, etc. We then had free time which meant lots of spooky potions were created, den building and the craft activities of wand weaving and creating seasonal clay craft. Some even had a go at using flint to create a spark. To top the day off (as if it couldn't get any better!) we toasted marshmallows in the fire.....school is so very exciting here at Newbridge!





Year 5 had great fun doing multiplication games with playing cards this week.









On Thursday, Year 1 continued our enquiry work by having the fire service in. The children talked to the firemen about what they do including putting fires out, rescuing animals, helping if people are stuck in car crashes and helping people who are stuck in water or even mud. They then learnt what to do if our clothes caught fire: **stop**, **drop and roll**. We finished by having a look at the actual fire engine. It was very exciting having a look at some of the tools, learning where the water is stored and even having a go at spraying the water! The children then spent the afternoon continuing our 'what makes a hero' work focusing on the fire service.







## **Fixtures This Week**

On Monday, our Netball Team took part in B&NES High Five Tournament at Ralph Allen School.

It was the first time the team had played together following the Bee Netball rules. Over the course of the evening, the team played 5 games against other B&NES schools.

The girls did well, demonstrating great ball, defending and attacking skills. There were some super interceptions and amazing shots at goal. The team did Newbridge and themselves proud. Well done all.

Thank you to our fan club of parents, who kindly transported the team and cheered the team along, throughout.



**The Team:** Sophie, Lyla, Rosy, Paula Amelie, Mabel and Grace

### **WASPS v Newbridge**

Well done to all the boys who took part in a very tough game against WASPS B in the B&NES Knockout Cup Competition last Friday.

We played at WASPS' ground, it was a frantic game that was fast paced and high intensity. Newbridge largely matched our opponents in the first half and played some very good attacking football. Having gone 1-0 down Roly showed some excellent skill to get through on goal and was unlucky to see his shot hit the post.

In the second half the pace of the game started to tell. The boys had put in so much effort and the amount of running required proved too much. WASPS managed to secure the game with some good play and goals, which sadly for Newbridge means the end of this season's cup for our B team.

No one could fault our spirit and our enthusiasm though, so we hold our heads up and look forward to more fixtures in other competitions instead.

**Player of the Day:** Javier – he had a busy time and made some excellent saves. Jav is a brilliant team player. He always kept a smile on his face!

**Team:** Javier, Roly, Thomas B, Phoenix, Ben W, Benji B, Flynn, James, Sherhat and Ernie. *Mr Farrier - Coach* 

### **Combe Down v Newbridge**

Having endured two tough defeats this term the footballers put in a monster effort to ensure Newbridge are back to winning ways.

Up against a very good Combe Down squad, last evening, the match was very even right up until the last few minutes. In the first quarter the A-team played with intent and thoroughly deserved to go 1-0 up with a powerful shot from Arthur lashing the back of the net. The B-team had a tough second quarter, and despite some great team work Combe Down managed a goal to make it 1-1 at half time.

Quarters 3 and 4 had everything! A lovely cross from Louis L was expertly finished by Arthur to give Newbridge the lead again, before a fine save from Sam and a goal line clearance from Ben T to ensure it stayed that way going into quarter 4. An own goal from a Newbridge corner extended the lead. Goalkeeper Javier stopped the ball on the line to save the team again, before Jimmy L set up Louis W to score again, and give Newbridge a 4-1 victory.

This game had everything, and all 14 boys gave everything. Well done team.

### Players of the day:

A-team: Arthur. As well as two good goals, gave lots of energy and worked hard for the team B-team: Benji B. Solid defending, great passing, and kept going.

**Players involved**: Sam, Charlie, Tommy, Ben T, Angus, Louis W, Arthur, Javier, James R, Benji, Phoenix, James L, Thomas B and Louis W.

Mr Farrier - Coach

### **EVERYONE ACTIVE**



It was so lovely to see so many children and parents at our session this morning – please all come again, next week.

Our free dance session is held every Friday morning in the Upper School Hall from 8.10am to 8.40am.

All ages are most welcome, pre-schoolers through to grandparents – there is no need to book, just turn up.

Upper School children can come unaccompanied, but must stay in the Hall for the duration of the session. Lower School children must be accompanied.

Upper School children should put their belongings in their cloakroom before the start of the session and Lower School children leave their belongings in the Upper School Foyer.

Children should wear school PE kit and everyone should bring a filled water bottle.

It is a fun and positive start to the day - supporting everyone's well-being and health.

### **OPAL This Week**











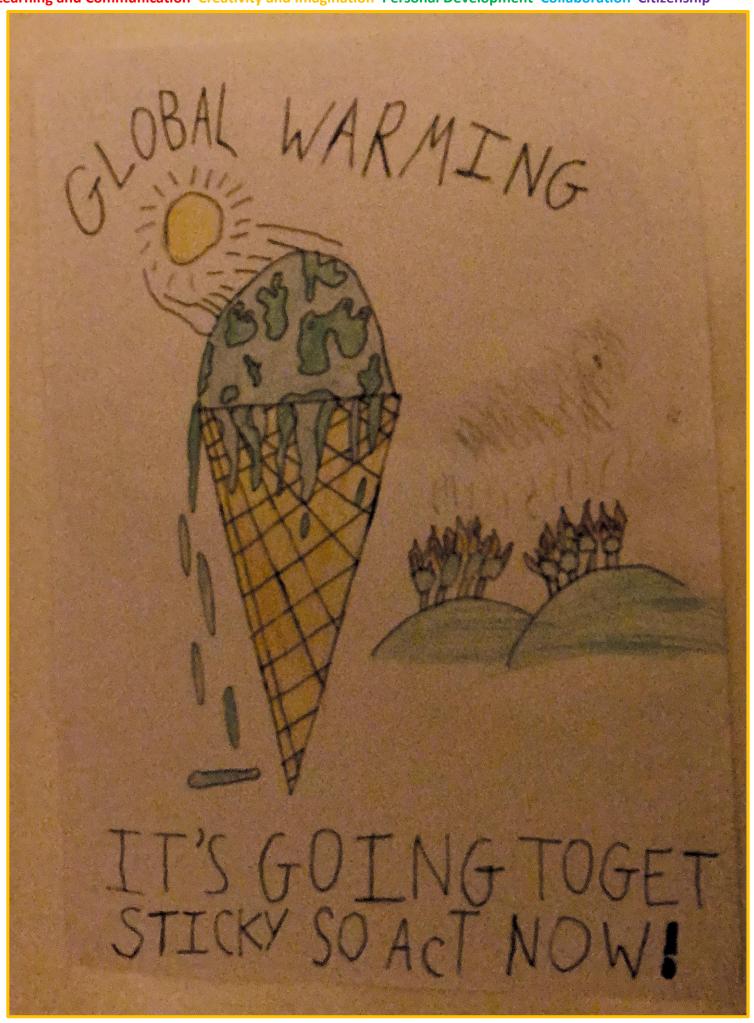


Thursday morning, before school this week, was a hive of physical activity with our new and very popular Running Club hosted by Mr Newman and the Judo session with master black belt, Finn Gleeson.

It has been a busy term for Newbridge children with all of their extra-curricular sporting pursuits. Children have participated in a broad range of opportunities including Football, Netball, Basketball, Gymnastics, Table Tennis, Cricket, Athletics, Running and Judo!







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## Well, THAT WAS FUN!

We loved introducing your child to the confidence building world of Perform today. And guess what, it's just the beginning...



## Play is a **POWERFUL THING**

Perform classes help boost children's **confidence**, **concentration**, **coordination** and **communication** skills, as well as being lots of fun.

Our expertly designed drama, dance and singing sessions for 4-7s and 7-12s are run by experienced teachers, hand-picked for their warmth and approachability.

They'll be with your child every step of the way – inspiring and encouraging them to develop vital life skills as they discover the joy of performing.

We couldn't be happier with William's Perform experience.
We signed up to boost his confidence and it's making a wonderful difference.\*\* - Samantha Nye

### What does Perform offer?

- Performing arts-based games and exercises
- Focus on a different social skill each week
- Small classes and feedback on your child's progress
- Specially created scripts, videos and apps
- End of term presentation for family and friends

### Try a **FREE CLASS** at your nearest venue

### Ready to try for free?

Your child's first class is free, so why not give it a go? Classes take place all over, have a look online or call us:

perform.org.uk/try 020 7255 9120





### **Moving House?**

## Having a clear out? Your local school needs your help.



We have transformed our lunchtimes by giving the children lots of household items to play with.

### Our current much needed items include:

Anything on wheels - suitcases, pushchairs, trolleys, skateboards, scooters, bikes, wheelchairs, wagons, toys, roller skates.

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

Kitchen – utensils, pots and pans.

**Small electricals** - the more buttons the better, phones, keyboards, game controllers. **Lego** – anything you do not need any more

In addition – drainpipes, guttering, buckets, spades, funnels, watering cans

### Anything at all, we can use it – thank you!



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### School Aged Health Service Webinars for Parents

The School Aged Health Service is offering free webinars focused on Sleep and Emotional Health and Wellbeing for parents and carers of primary school-aged children. These sessions will provide information and practical tips to help children build healthy sleep habits and emotional resilience.

To sign up, please scan the QR code below. These webinars are also available to view afterwards via the School-Aged Health Service website under 'Helpful Advice':

### Sleep Webinar



Dates: Weds 22nd Oct 25

Time: 13:00-14:00

Date: Weds 3rd Dec 25

Time: 13:00-14:00



Connected Self
Connected Relationships
Connected Environments



Consultations, workshops, support and signposting for those supporting a young person experiencing emotionally based school avoidance (EBSA)

Themes available for parent/carers and educational settings:

- EBSA
- PANS and PANDAS
- SEMH strategies for primary age children
- Beginners Guide to the EHCP process

Upcoming local workshops, New Oriel Hall Bath

- 10<sup>th</sup> November EBSA Understanding Emotionally Based School Avoidance 10:00-12:00
- 17<sup>th</sup> November Beginners Guide to the EHCP process and planned SEND reform 11:00 - 12:00

Bookings via the website www.ebsaconnect.co.uk Instagram: ebsaconnect

For school enquiries contact; vicky@ebsaconnect.co.uk

"I felt very lost until I received support from Vicky. Her invaluable experience both as an educator and as a SEND parent made her the perfect guide for this difficult journey. She allowed me to feel confident and informed enough to constructively communicate my child's

Samantha

"This workshop has given us so much food for though. We will be changing our approach around how we support children with anxiety" Headteacher



Unfortunately, Forest School is unable to run this October half term at our school, however we have other options available here, and nearby.

Please keep a look out for the return of Forest School later in the









## Newbridge's Got Talent!



On Monday 20th October, we will be launching Newbridge's Got Talent in school! We will share a film with the children to explain the sponsorship event. This film will also be shared with all parents via the class WhatsApp groups. Please do not share this film on social media. Your child will have the opportunity to discuss different skills and the sponsorship event with their teachers in their classes. They will also bring home a sponsorship form to start fundraising for our school! Please find the sponsorship form below. All children will be given one paper copy on Monday.

All children will be asked to learn or develop a skill and collect sponsorship over the following 4 weeks. On Friday 14th November, all children will take part in the sponsored event in school. They will have a 10-minute timed challenge in the playground to complete as many repetitions as they can of their one chosen skill! It can be any skill they choose across sport, music, art, any curriculum subject at school or a hobby. All the children will do their 10-minute challenge in their class groups in the playground, with everyone doing different skills at the same time.

For example, in 10-minutes, how many times can you...do cartwheels, drum a repeated beat, run laps, draw a repeated image, say a tongue twister, do keepie uppies, repeat phrases in French, skip with a skipping rope, say the alphabet forwards or backwards, repeat your times tables, write your name, juggle 3 balls, bounce a ball on a tennis racket, use a hula hoop, do star jumps, repeat a melody on a guitar/keyboard/ukulele/recorder, catch and throw a ball in the air, speak a different language, complete a martial arts sequence, name as many capital cities as you can, bounce a basketball, count forwards or backwards up to any number.

### Steps to Success for all children!

- 1. Pick <u>one skill</u> you want to learn or develop. Watch the 'Newbridge's Got Talent' film for ideas!
- 2. Set yourself a target. Will you aim to do your skill non-stop for the full 10-minutes? Or will you aim to do a set number of repetitions of your skill within 10-minutes?
- 3. Collect sponsorship money from your family and friends. All children will take part in the event whether they collect sponsorship money or not.
- 4. Practice your skill for 10-minutes every day over the next four weeks.
- 5. Try to get faster against the clock.
- 6. Take on the 10-minute challenge in school on <u>Friday 14th</u> November 2025!

### Prizes

Prizes will be handed out to all children for taking part. All sponsorship pledges (the number of pledges, not the amounts) will be added up to make totals for each house. The house with the greatest number of sponsorship pledges, will win 1st prize!

-1st Prize: 100 team points, plus extra playtime!

-2nd Prize: 75 team points -3rd Prize: 50 team points -4th Prize: 25 team points

All money raised will go towards our wonderful school! When you have collected all your sponsorship money, please return it with your sponsorship form to the School Office by <u>Friday</u> 14th November.

Remember to bring into school any equipment you need for your skill on Friday 14th November (i.e. a ukulele/football/skipping rope etc).

Any questions, please email the NPSA on <a href="mailto:npsabath@gmail.com">npsabath@gmail.com</a>. Thank you for your support!



## Sponsorship Form Newbridge's Got Talent!



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Name	
Class	
House	
Team	
Skill	

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100 Club Winners
Congratualtions!
Joshua Lim, Laura Pincock, Anna Dawson

