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Term 2

Tuesday 5th December Lower School Nativity 9.30am 2M acting, 2R choir

Wednesday 6th December Flu Vaccines

Thursday 7th December Y6 choir members to sing at Stratton House

Friday 8th December Lower School Nativity 9.30am 2R acting, 2M choir

Monday 11th December Year 2 Rehearse at Emmanuel Chuch

Volunteers' Thank You 2.15pm

Tuesday 12th December Year 2 Emmanuel Church Nativity 9.30am

Wednesday 13th December Christmas Lunch

Upper School Christmas Concert at 7pm

Thursday 14th December Upper School Christmas Concert at 10am

Lower School Christmas Parties

Friday 15th December Last day of Term 2

Term 3

Wednesday 3rd January First day of Term 3 for children

Monday 15th January Clubs start this week

Tuesday 23rd January NPSA meeting 7.30pm

Friday 26th January Feel Good Friday

Friday 9th February End of Term 3

Term 4

Monday 19th February Start of Term 4

Friday 23rd Febraury Feel Good Friday Monday 26th February Assessment week

Tuesday 27th February to Tuesday 5th March Book Fair

For Term Dates please look <u>here</u>

Dear Parents and Carers Year 5 out and about at the Herschel Museum

On both Monday and Tuesday this week, Year 5 visited the Herschel Museum of Astronomy, in Bath. The museum was formerly the home of William Herschel and his sister Caroline - William Herschel discovered the planet Uranus in 1781. The visit was to enhance their learning around the current enquiry 'What does it take to be an astronaut?'. The children enjoyed their visit greatly – find a report below.

Our choir give back to the community

Today, our 110 strong pupil choir made their way to the RUH, where they performed to those visting the hospital and RUH staff – including many parents, to bring some spirited cheer. The intention was to put a smile of people's faces and to give something back to our community. And this is just what they did. It was a special moment for everyone – thank you choir members for your commitment and enthusiasm, to Mrs Best and to all of our parent volunteers who accompanied the visit. Donations were collected for the RUH amouting to a super £175. The choir are performing again today at the Christmas Fair, and Year 6 members of the choir will sing at Stratton House Residential Home, on Thursday 7th December.

Our NPSA - supporting our children, our families and our community

The Christmas Fair will be opened by the school choir at 4.45pm today. There will be stalls, games and refreshments for everyone to enjoy from 5pm until 7pm. Many, many parent volunteers have enabled this to happen –thank you. The coordinator of the master plan is Fran Derrien, and we are very grateful for all of the energy she brings to our NPSA. Thank you very much for the donations received over recent weeks, and today, in exchange for non-uniform. Please can I remind all parents and carers that you are responsible for your children, throughout the fair, and that the children should only be in areas of the school, where the fair is taking place. Many thanks indeed to Hannah Brownell, Gemma Phillips and Tracey Pollard who have organised the Santa's Grotto to take place tomorrow. The outdoor classroom in the the Conservation Area will be transformed to a magical space, ready for a very special visitor. We hope everyone who is coming, enjoys it.

Year 4 pupils visit Oldfield School

We enjoy and benefit from our links with Olfield School. On Wednesday, Class 4B took part in a joint activity with other local primary schools. The sports events were led by Oldfield's Sports Leaders – who are always a credit to the school and some of whom are past Newbridge pupils.

Year 5 and Year 6 Indoor Athletics

Well done to our Year 5 and Year 6 athletics team, who represented Newbridge in the B&NES Sports Partnership indoor event at Wellsway School on Wednesday. They did brilliantly, and as a team came 3rd overall!

Eco Ambassador Applications

This week we are inviting children in Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 to become an Eco Ambassador. This initiative has been driven by Hayley in Year 4 and Grace in Year 5, who helped me to lead the whole school assembly on Monday. Full details of how to apply are posted on Google Classroom.

Junior Leadership Team applications

Thank you to all of the pupils who planned, worked on and submitted their application for the Junior Leadership Team. This demonstrates how much our pupils care about their school; wishing to make a difference. The names of those selected this time will be announced on Google Classroom today.

Thank you to our Volunteers

We would like to invite all volunteers who have helped our school, since September, to come for a 'coffee and mince pie thank you' on Monday 11th December at 2.15pm. This will be held in the Blue Room and some children will play some musical items. Please complete this form, if you have volunteered and are able to come <u>Volunteers' Thank you</u>.

Extra Curricular Activities

All extra-curricular activities are now finished for the term. Thank you to all the children who made the commitment to attend activities and to all of the club leaders for providing these opportunities. A revised extra-curricular clubs list will be issued at the start of Term 3, with a view to all activities commencing on Monday 15th January.

Lower School Nativity Arrangements

On Tuesday 5th December and Friday 8th December we will hold the Lower School Nativity performances. Each year, Year 2 pupils lead the performance and act out a short play, with plenty of singing. On Tuesday 5th December, Class 2M will be the actors and Class 2R will be the choir. This arrangement will reverse for the Friday. At each performance, the Year 1 and Reception classes will join in by singing a song or performing a dance. Therefore, for Reception and Year 1 parents, it will not matter which performance you attend, unless you have a child in Year 2, and wish to come on the day they are acting. Tickets will not be issued for these performances - instead, parents should wait after drop off or return to queue at the back door of the Upper School hall, for a 9.30am start.

On Tuesday 12th December, the Lower School will visit Emmanuel Church on Apsley Road. Year 2 children will complete a simple nativity and all of the Lower School will join in with Christmas songs. Parents are welcome to attend, but please know it will be a bit of a squeeze. This performance again starts at 9.30am.

Lower School Christmas Parties

All of the Lower School classes will have a class party on the afternoon of Thursday 14th December. The children do not need to bring anything but are allowed to wear their own suitable part clothes, should they wish.

Upper School Christmas Music Concert

The Upper School Christmas Concert will take place on Wednesday 13th December at 7pm and Thursday 14th December at 10am. In this, the choir will perform along with other musical items. Details about the concerts were sent to parents of those taking part, this week. Everyone is invited to enjoy the performances.

Our NPSA

For all reminders and updates please find the latest NPSA newsletter here.

Google Classroom

Please read the 'blog' posted on Google Classroom today, written by your child's teacher, detailing the learning this week. This update is provided so that parents and carers can continue learning conversations at home. Often, parents tell us that their child does not let them know what happens at school and so this is provided in response to this. If you could leave a simple message or even a thumbs-up, we would love to hear from you and to know the updates are valued.

We wish you a good weekend.

With best regards,

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X STARS OF THE WEEK

- Ladybirds Freya G, Sanvi R
 - IEO Primrose H, Reuben H
 - 2M Heidi T, Darcey S
 - **30G** Beatrix B, Hettie R
 - 4B Josh H, Paula F C
 - 5HB Flora K, Oliver A
 - 6KR Milo T, Imogen G

- Bees Sebastien J, Lainey P
- lG Leia V, Praise F
- 2R Charlie D, Matilda S
- 3BA Audrey B, Florence D
- 4T Sunny C, Freja K
- 5F Thai P, Whole Class
- 6N Billy G, Emma H

Music Stars of the Week Izzy S G, Class 4B Tom C, Class 5HB

A HEADTEACHER MENTION



Thank you to our Year 6 children for running fantastic tours of the school for the past two terms. The pupils have been deservedly complimented by our prospective parents for their confidence – all recognising how proud the children are of their school.

The Year 6 pupils who have taken part in tours recently are:

Barney B, Class 6N Spike F, Class 6N Louie A, Class 6N Shahan S, Class 6KR Emma H, Class 6N Zoe M, Class 6N

Thank you to the rest of the Year 6 who have helped and are not pictured.

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,

Mrs Amor

AROUND SCHOOL THIS WEEK YEAR 3 CHEDDAR GORGE TRIP

For their enquiry this term, 'What makes our world amazing?', Year 3 visited the amazing Cheddar Gorge. They learnt about the Stone Age connections to our local area and how people survived in the Gorge. They also found out about how nature carved out the wonderful caves and saw the stalactites, stalagmites and columns. Amelie said, 'I liked the glittery, magical stalactites and going up Jacob's Ladder, but the goats were making it harder for us to climb!'

















FEEL GOOD FRIDAY

Children across the school made Christmas cards for the charity Compassionate Communities, as part of, on Feel Good Friday, last week.



RUH Choir Carol Singing





The children sang beautifully outside the Royal United Hospital.











ECO AMBASSADORS

Newbridge has launched a new project called Eco Ambassadors, people that help our school go green.

The Team are going to choose one person from each class to be an Eco Ambassador, in Years 3, 4 and 5. When applying for the role, children need to upload a video or write a letter telling us why you think you would be great being an Eco Ambassador. When you have finished, give it to your teacher or post it on Google Classroom.

Ideas are very important as we all want to make the world a better place. Even if you do not get chosen, it doesn't mean you can't give the team ideas to how to make our school more eco-friendly.

From the Eco Team – Grace and Hayley



B&NES Sports Partnership Athletics at Wellsway School



It was with great excitement that 30 children from Year 5 and 6 set off to Wellsway School after school on Wednesday to take part in the B&NES Sportshall Indoor Athletics Competition.

It is a fantastic competition with a variety of track and field events for both boys and girls. The excitement and noise levels were impressive as the children enthusiastically supported each other in their respective events. There were hurdles to jump over, tunnels to crawl through and many different relay combinations on the track as well as a variety of different throws and jumps to try in the field events.

The competition was 2 hours of high octaine energy and entertainment and all the children who took part performed brilliantly, and should be rightly proud of their efforts.

Mr Seaborne, Miss Kitchener and Mrs Lewis

Year 5 Herschel Museum Visit

This week, Year 5 journeyed to The Herschel Museum: the former home of William Herschel and his sister Caroline close-by on New King Street in Bath. Whilst there, the children learnt about the incredible discovery that took place took place on 13th March 1781 when William, using a telescope he had manufactured himself, pinpointed the 7th planet in our Solar System - Uranus (or Georgium Sidus - 'George's Star' as he had originally named it). It was a pleasure to see the children sharing their extensive knowledge of space with the museum's staff whilst also learning many new and interesting facts which they have begun incorporating into their biography writing in English.



A wonderful trip was had by all!





Year 4 Multi Skills Festival

On Wednesday, 4B had a great time at Oldfield School, where they took part in a Year 4 Multi-Skills festival along with WASPS, St Mary's and St Andrew's. The children were brilliant and threw themselves into all the activities which were organised by the Year 8 Sports Leaders. It was lovely catching up with past pupils and seeing how well they were all doing. What a treat for everyone!



Junior Leadership Team (JLT) News

Thank you for all the applications to join the Junior Leadership Team (JLT).

Mr Bacon, Mrs O'Gara and Mr Mullee are going to announce the results via Google Classroom on Friday 1st December.

More information of how the JLT are going to support and do things around school will be announced shortly.

YOU ARE INVITED TO:

Newbridge Primary Upper School

Christmas CONCERT

13th at 7pm 14th at 10am

Dec 2023

Performances from: Choir Orchestra Year 5 Gamelan Instrumental Solos Staff Performance And many more!

Money raised from donations on the door will <u>be goi</u>ng to Dorothy House

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Well done and thank you to everyone who came along to our fun dance session this morning – it was **GREAT**!



OLDFIELD

SCHOOL







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 Newbirdge Primary School

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Just off Chelsea Road in Newbridge, we are at the heart of the community, have strong links with local schools and have been caring for local Pre-schoolers from 3 – 5 years for more than 40 years. We pride ourselves on providing a calm and nurturing environment for children, with a higher than usual ratio of staff to children of 1 to 6. We are a not for profit charity Pre-school and encourage parent volunteers to be involved with the running of Pre-school, fundraising and social events. Find out more at <u>www.peterpanpreschoolbath.co.uk</u> or email to arrange a visit <u>peterpanpreschoolbath@gmail.com</u>. Applications now being taken for starts in September 2024 and January 2025.



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this Christmas?		
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Selection boxes		+ 0il
+ Hot Chocolate + Tinned Custard		
+ Marshmallows + Jars of coffee		
+Biscuits +		+ Tinned fruit
+Jams & spreads		+ Juice
+Yule Logs +Washing up		+ Washing up
+ Tinned ham liquid		
+ Tinned Salmon + Toiletries		
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CHRISTMAS GIFT APPEAL





the nest project

The Nest Project would love to invite you to put a smile on a child's face by joining us in our Christmas gift bag appeal.

- With the cost of living rising, this time of year can put real financial pressure on families that are already struggling. Each gift bag will be given to local families with young children in BANES.
- THANK YOU!

To sign up, scan the QR code!

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