



# NEWBRIDGE News

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## Dates Term 1

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September**

NPSA Meeting at 7.30pm

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September**

EYFS/KS1 Phonics Meeting at  
2.45pm

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September**

NPSA Cake and Uniform Sale

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September**

2OG Forest School

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**

4B Forest School

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup>, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> and**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October**

Parents to look at Books

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October**

Year 6 Fleet Air Museum Trip

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October**

2R Forest School

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

4BA Forest School

Parents' Evening from

2.30pm

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October**

Individual photographs

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

Parents' Evening

2OG Forest School

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

Reading Meeting for KS2

parents at 2.30pm

4B Forest School

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

Harvest – Julian House

End of Term 1 for children

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

INSET Day

## Term 2

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

2R Forest School

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November**

NPSA Fireworks

4BA Forest School

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November**

Anti-Bullying Week

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

2OG Forest School

NPSA Meeting at 7.30pm

## Inset Days 2024/25

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

## Term Dates 2024/25

Please [click here](#) for the  
terms dates

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a good week and feel up to speed as the term is now in full flow. Many congratulations to our EYFS children who have completed their induction period, demonstrating independence, a thirst for learning and how happy they are making new friends. Thank you very much to the parents and carers of the children for supporting the induction period and for working with new routines.

### NPSA Picnic – what a lovely evening it was

If you were able to come along to the NPSA Picnic last Friday, I am sure you will have had a lovely time. It was all about community, with many families enjoying the weather, refreshments and entertainment. The musical performance by Eve and Eva, past Newbridge pupils, was outstanding – we remain so proud of them both and extend our thanks for sharing their time and talent. Thank you very much to all involved in making the evening possible – it has become a firm favourite on the NPSA calendar.

Our first NPSA meeting of the year is on Tuesday at 7.30pm, in the Blue Room in the Upper School – everyone is welcome to help plan for events later in the year and bring forward new ideas.

**Attendance Matters:** As a reminder, parents and carers have a legal duty to ensure their child attends school, on time, each day. There are only a small number of circumstances when missing a school day is permitted, e.g. sickness. School leaders will decide what counts as an exceptional circumstance when authorising absence, however holidays are rarely an acceptable reason and are very unlikely to be treated as an exceptional circumstance. Please read below for when fixed penalty notices may be issued for absence.

**School Development Plan 24/25:** Based on evidence from outcomes and information gathered last academic year, these are the school's main development priorities for this year. To raise standards in Writing; to achieve consistency in the teaching of Phonics and Reading; to improve outcomes for those pupils who attract pupil premium funding and for SEND pupils, and to enhance outdoor play opportunities. Plans are firmly in place to develop these priorities and already a number of professional development opportunities have taken place for staff.

**Phonics Meeting for Parents:** Aligned with the school development plan, on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 2.45pm, there will be a meeting for parents led by Mrs O'Byrne to support application of phonics. This is aimed at EYFS/KS1 parents, though anyone is welcome. Another meeting, about Reading, will held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm for KS2 parents. We hope you can attend as your support in further developing the children's skills at home will be greatly appreciated. All resources will be made available following the meetings.

**Promoting our School Values:** On Monday, the whole school meets for our assembly. This provides a positive start to the week and is beneficial in exploring and promoting themes together. We have been focusing on our school values and this week we considered what skills and attributes the astronauts who are currently stranded in space would need. We linked this to **Personal Development**, which Grace in Class 6KR was able to articulately define. Our other learning values are: **Learning and Communication**, **Creativity and Imagination**, **Collaboration** and **Citizenship**. I expect your children will be able to tell you all about these, too.

**Everyone Active – free to all:** Please come along to our free dance session next Friday morning. Everyone is very welcome – pre-schoolers through to grandparents. It's a lot of fun; nothing serious at all, but proves to be a great start to the day – supporting health and well-being. We are always in the Upper School Hall from 8.10am to 8.40am. Upper School children can come unaccompanied, but must stay in the Hall for the duration of the session. Lower School children must be accompanied.

**Google Classroom:** Your child's class teacher will post a short 'blog' on their Google Classroom page each Friday. This is an overview of the week, with photographs shared and any necessary reminders for upcoming weeks. Please take time to have a read so that you are up to speed with what your child is learning. You are welcome to leave a simple message or a thumbs-up, should you wish to. Please get in contact with the School Office if you are having any problems with logging on.

**Open Afternoons for Reception children 2025/26:** Looking ahead to our Reception intake for September 2025, please know, and share with friends, that we are offering tours on a number of mornings and afternoons in October. To register interest in attending one of these sessions, please call the school office on 01225 421675.

Have a lovely weekend,  
Gill Kennaugh



# Around School This Week



In Year 1 this week, we have been thinking about all the ways you can sort people, places and things. We developed a list of all the different ideas we could think of and then began sorting different objects into two, three or sometimes even four groups. After, we organised the groups into lines to help us count or subitise (visually see an amount of objects without the need to count them). Perhaps you could try this at home, too!

## NPSA Picnic

We had some fantastic performances from ex Newbridge pupils at the NPSA Picnic last Friday. Eve and Eva were outstanding.



# Year 4 Forest School

Class 4BA loved being out at Forest School this week. They had a great time exploring the environment and looking out for bugs in the Forest School area.



# Extra Curricular Programme

Year 6 have made a great start to Netball Club.



## Cross-Country Trials



Year 5 and Year 6 pupils took part in a lunchtime cross-country event this week, the weather was warm and all runners demonstrated excellent resilience and fortitude in the glorious sunshine. The top 5 girls and top 5 boys in each year group will now go forward to represent Newbridge in the Bath Schools' event next month. Well done to all involved!



## Table Tennis Club and Gym Club



It is great to see so many children enjoying the clubs we offer at Newbridge Primary School. A friendly reminder - children must come to these clubs in their school PE kit and are not permitted to wear football strips, if they are attending any of our football clubs. It is also recommended that along with their school PE kit, they wear shin pads which are covered by plain long football socks.



## Our New Library



We are loving spending more time in our new library during lesson time. Thank you to the NPSA for creating this beautiful space for us.

Are you interested in volunteering in our school?

Our generous volunteers are incredible and complete a number of different roles within our classrooms. We could not do all that we do, without you.

If you are inspired to volunteer in school, please contact the School Office: [enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk)

## Everyone Active

Each Friday morning at 8.10am until 8.40am

Please come along to our free dance session next Friday morning. This will be held 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 come along.

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. Please come along.



In partnership with Knowsley CLCs, all parent/carers are invited to an:

# Online Safety Information Session

This session is delivered virtually so can be watched from anywhere!  
We will share the link with you privately.



**Current trends** – what children are doing online and what apps/games are popular amongst children.


**Understanding the Risks** – a look at the risks associated with using technology, in particular when using social media, online gaming & live streaming.

**What can you do?** – suggestions on how you can support your child with their online lives and what parental controls are available to help you.

**Further Support** – signposting to services that are available to help you.

**WEDNESDAY  
2ND OCTOBER  
2024**

**4PM – 4.45PM**



Knowsley  
City Learning Centres

The link to join the online meeting will be sent to you one week before the session.  
Please keep an eye out for this.

# Cake Sale

After school in the Upper School Hall

Friday 27th September

£1 for 2 cakes



Year 2 and 6 to give donations, please take these to the blue room on Friday morning. Thank you.



Tinned Tomatoes  
Tinned Vegetarian Meals  
Tea Bags (40-80 size)  
Tinned Fruit  
Instant Mash  
Tinned Custard  
Tinned Rice Pudding  
Long Life Juice  
Milk (UHT)  
Pasta Sauce (Jars)  
Instant Coffee

Bath Foodbank can only accept non-perishable food items (tinned and dried goods), which do not spoil or decay. All items should be unopened and in date. We have no storage facilities for fresh food so if you collect fresh food we would prefer you to arrange for it to go elsewhere. If you need any ideas of where to send it, we can help.

Thank you so much for your support!

## Open days at Oldfield School



**OLDFIELD SCHOOL**

We are pleased to invite you to our open events in September. You will get the opportunity to hear from our Headteacher, meet students and teachers, and see the school. Please visit [www.oldfieldschool.com](http://www.oldfieldschool.com) to book your place.

*Join us*

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**Open Evening 2024**  
**Thursday 26 September**  
6-8.30pm

**Open Morning 2024**  
**Tuesday 1 October**  
9-10.45am

Scan the QR code to read our prospectus



## OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



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:** Monday 28<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October.  
Please note, no holiday club on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> as there is tree work planned

**Time:** 9.00am – 4.00pm

**Cost:** 1<sup>st</sup> day booking: £40  
2<sup>nd</sup> day or 2<sup>nd</sup> sibling £38

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

**Booking essential:** please email Lesley on [musiclch@yahoo.co.uk](mailto: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

**Newbridge  
Primary School**

# WE ARE HIRING

## Join Our Team!

**DO YOU WANT TO WORK WITH CHILDREN CARING FOR  
AND SUPERVISING THEM AT LUNCHTIME?**

**JOB POSITION : SCHOOL MEALS  
SUPERVISORY ASSISTANT**

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 to access 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:



Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

11.45am – 1.15pm

£11.79 per hour

Permanent Contract

The ideal candidate will need to be:

- Patient and caring
- Dedicated to all children achieving the best they can
- 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  
Newbridge Primary School**

**enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk  
01225 421675**

**NHS**  
Royal United Hospitals Bath  
NHS Foundation Trust

# Community open day

**Saturday 21 September, 12 – 4pm**

Join us for free at the RUH and Lansdown Cricket Club

- Find out about life at your local hospital
- See emergency vehicles
- Enjoy games, a bouncy castle, interactive stands and department tours
- Live music at the cricket club until 10pm
- Free entry – no booking required
- For more information: [ruh.nhs.uk/communityday](http://ruh.nhs.uk/communityday)

The RUH, where you matter

In partnership with:

**RUH**

**BATH CITY FOOTBALL CLUB**

# FAMILY DAY

**FAMILY OF FOUR  
£26\***  
\*ADULTS TICKET FURTHER REQUIRED  
TWO ADULTS TWO CHILDREN

**BATH CITY  
FOOTBALL CLUB**

**UNDER-12S GO  
FREE!**  
MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

**BATH CITY VS  
ENFIELD TOWN**  
**SATURDAY, 21ST SEPT.**  
**TWERTON PARK, BA2 1DB**

Join Us On

**Saturday 21st September**

to Celebrate the Opening of

# una

handmade • local • unique

An exciting new shop showcasing local artists

Bucks Fizz • Prize Draw

Face Painting

10.30 to 11.30 am & 2pm to 3pm

Kids Craft Activity

from 10.30am – 12.30pm

follow us to find out more:

@una\_madeinbath facebook/UnaMadeinBath

1 Kennington Road, Bath, BA1 3EA (Top of Chelsea Road)

Ralph Allen School  
Open Evening  
Thursday 19 September 2024  
6-8pm

For further info and to register your interest, scan below to visit our website

Tour the school

Listen to the Headteacher's speech

Meet members of staff

Sample our delicious menu

Contact us:  
Tel: 01225 838936  
Email: [h.baker@palladianacademytrust.com](mailto:h.baker@palladianacademytrust.com)

**St Mark's School BATH**  
Open Events 2024

Midsomer Norton Schools Partnership

**GOOD**

**Ofsted**  
Good Provider

**Let your light shine**

**OPEN EVENING**  
Tuesday 17th September 6:30 – 8:30pm  
Doors open at 6:00pm  
Presentation at 6:30pm

**OPEN MORNING**  
Friday 27th September 9:00 – 11:00am

We look forward to welcoming you!