



# NEWBRIDGE News

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## Term 4

### Monday 24th March

Clubs finish this week

### Tuesday 25th March

20G Forest School

### Wednesday 26th March

EYFS Child Measurement

### Thursday 27th March

4B Forest School

### Friday 28th March

Year 4 Assembly 2:30pm

NPSA Cake and Uniform Sale

### Monday 31st March

Year 6 Dance Umbrella

### Tuesday 1st April

Class 2R Forest School

### Thursday 3rd April

4BA Forest School

Spring Concert 3:30pm Upper

School Hall

### Friday 4th April

'Express Yourself Day'

End of Term 4

## Term 5 Dates

### Tuesday 22nd April

Term 5 begins

### Wednesday 23rd April

Year 5 Great Wood Residential

### Thursday 24th April

Year 6 Residential Trip Meeting

Online

### Monday 28th April

Extracurricular Clubs Begin

### Monday 5th May

Bank Holiday

### Tuesday 6th May

NPSA Meeting

### Friday 23rd May

Year 3 Assembly

Last Day of Term 5

## Inset Days 2024/25

Friday 27th June

Tuesday 22nd July

Please [click here](#) for the term dates.

## Year 6 Production 2025

9th and 10th July at 6pm

## Year 6 Leavers' Tea 2025

Thursday 17th July 4.30pm to

6.00pm

## Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Monday 21st July 1.45pm

## Inset Days 2025/26

Tuesday 2nd September

Friday 24th October 2025

Monday 5th January 2026

Friday 26th June 2026

Wednesday 22nd July. 2026

The B&NES term dates for

25/26 can be found [here](#).

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was 5 years ago, yesterday, that we closed the school for the first time - a day I will never forget. I am sure it, and all that Covid-19 brought, has left a lasting memory in your minds, too. I remain grateful for all that the staff and school community did at that time during a time of such uncertainty. Seeing the school as vibrant and successful as it is today is testament to the care, commitment and resilience of our special community.

**The Bath Half:** We wish to thank and celebrate the staff and parents who took to the streets on Sunday to run the Bath Half Marathon. To commit to the training is a huge undertaking, and then to run the race, raising funds for the NPSA is a significant effort all of the runners should be proud of. Thank you, and well done to Mr Newman, Mr Hollis, Mr Goldsmith, Mrs Wright, Mrs Taylor, Mr Sadar, Mrs Bell and Mr Banks.

The combined efforts, with Gift Aid, will raise approximately £6500, supporting our children, our school and our community. This is incredible – and we are truly grateful to you all, thank you.

**Bee Class Assembly:** Well done to all of Bee Class and Miss Hill for their first class assembly, performed this afternoon. Thank you to the many parents and carers who came along to support the children and enjoy the show. We were reminded of what is important about being a Newbridge citizen, and were entertained by an insight into life in EYFS. The children performed with pride and with so much confidence. It was a brilliant and fun end to another fantastic week. Well done, all.

**Year 6 to Life Skills:** On Monday, all of our Year 6 pupils had an exciting visit to Lifeskills in Bristol, where they took part in a series of hands-on scenarios designed to teach vital life skills. The children encountered real-life situations such as making emergency 999 calls, identifying hazards in the home, learning about road and fire safety and understanding the importance of personal responsibility. The session was not only informative but also great fun, and the pupils left feeling more confident about how to stay safe and make sensible choices in the wider world. A big thank you to the Lifeskills team for an invaluable learning experience, and also to our NPSA who generously funded the visit.

**OPAL:** We are well on our way through the 18 month journey to set out all of the OPAL objectives and actions. Last week, the OPAL working group attended a further session with our OPAL mentor, this included training for the lunchtime support staff around risk benefit. With this, we will start to move towards different types of play and consider how other parts of our site can be used. Encouraging children to take managed risks—whether climbing, balancing or using loose parts creatively, helps them develop resilience, problem solving skills and confidence. Through OPAL, our aim is to support children in making informed choices about risk while reaping the benefits of adventurous and imaginative play. We will update you further when we move into this next stage. In the interim, we are working on an exciting project – to build a large, beach-themed sandpit between the Upper School and the Lower School, at the bottom of the field. This needs a little more planning, but we are keen to achieve this as soon as possible. Thank you for your ongoing support with all we have achieved in OPAL so far. It remains a big hit!

**Our NPSA:** Thank you to those who attended the meeting on Tuesday evening. As ever, there was much positive planning, looking into the Spring and Summer Term events. Tonight, is our annual Quiz Night. This always proves to be a fun evening, and is a firm favourite on the school calendar. Sincere thanks to Neil Clews who has again stepped forward to plan and organise the evening. Following on, there will be a Cake and Uniform Sale on Friday 28th March, and an Easter Egg Hunt on Friday 4th April. Also look out for the 'Decorate an Egg' Competition.

**'Express Yourself' Day:** On Friday 4th April, the children are invited to take part in 'Express Yourself Day', in return for a donation for the NPSA. Children can wear their own clothes, dye their hair, wear nail varnish, etc. All clothing and shoes must be safe and appropriate. If children choose not to take part, this is of course fine.

**No Nut Policy (Nut Aware School):** Please can all parents and carers note that we have a 'no nut policy'. This means that there cannot be any food items on site which contain nuts, for children to access.

**Defibrillators on site:** Please be aware that there are three defibrillators on our school site, for anyone to access in an emergency. They are kept in each of the Medical Rooms in the Upper School and the Lower School and there is also one in the main office.

**B&NES Term dates 25/26:** The Inset days for next year are Tuesday 2nd September, Friday 24th October, Monday 5th January, Friday 26th June and Wednesday 22nd July. The B&NES term dates for 25/26 can be found [here](#).

**Welcome:** We welcome Eva, who has joined Class 2R. We hope that she and her family will be very happy in our school community.

**Google Classroom:** Please remember to read the 'blog' posted on Google Classroom today, telling you about the class learning and activities. If you have a problem logging on, please contact the office.

Good luck if you are attending the Quiz Night, and have a great weekend.

Gill Kennaugh

# ★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★



★ Bees – Attlee L, Louie K	Ladybirds – Ellie E, Jasper B	★
★ 1DO – Freya G, Orla H	1G – Elijah O, Hettie M	★
★ 2OG – Bonnie HH, Duncan C	2R – Lilou R, Ted P	★
★ 3DE – Noa J, Rex R	3M – Bella C, Sophia A	★
★ 4B – Benji B, Rue C	4BA – Albie S, Joe M	★
★ 5HK – Arthur L, Hayley Mc	5F – Leona K, Ronnie H	★
★ 6KR – Chelsea L, Maddie H	6N – Ella M, Ruby E	★

## PE Stars of the Week:

Ella E Class 4BA, Phoenix K Class 4B

## Music Stars of the Week:

Oliver T Class 4B, Louis W Class 4B



## Spring Singing Concert

We would like to inform you of the Spring Singing Concert that will take place on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, from 3:30-4:30pm**. This event will be held in the Upper School Hall and it will include a variety of songs from the choir, as well as many group and solo performances. ★

We hope to see you there!

Paula and Hayley (5HK)

# Year 6 Life Skills

Our trip to Lifeskills in Bristol was a real highlight for our Year 6 children this week. They took part in interactive activities that taught them practical skills for staying safe in everyday situations, such as road safety, fire safety and making emergency calls. They found it engaging and informative, and it was great to see them thinking about how these lessons can be applied in real life. The children behaved very well and responded politely and sensibly to all that we asked of them.



*'It was interesting to find out about things we don't usually know or encounter – for example, it takes a car travelling over 20mph, 30 plus metres to react and stop.'*

*'Trampolines are a hazard, and are a cause of many accidents. Also, within the house we learnt about things that may be unsafe such as trip hazards and carrying hot water. In addition, we learnt which emergency numbers to call such as 999, and 105 for problems with electricity.'* – Grace and Poppy

# OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL Easter 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 Jonny Houston, an experienced Forest School leader, with DBS disclosure, First Aid training and public liability insurance.**

**The site and all activities are risk-assessed.**

**Dates:** Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**Time:** 9.00am – 4.00pm

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



## *Self Portrait Tea Towels*

This year the **NPSA** are producing keepsake tea towels – one for each house featuring every child’s self-portrait. Order either **blue, green, red** or **yellow** to represent your child’s house.

(Makes great gifts for family members too!)

Order deadline is **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April** so get your orders in quick:

<https://npsa.rallyup.com/teatowels/Campaign/Details>

Cost per tea towel is £8

Delivered early June





**PRIMARY CHOIR DAY – HOLIDAY COURSES**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April and / or Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April**

Dear Parents and Carers

We are delighted to invite your child to join us for a Junior Choir Day Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April or Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025. This is a fantastic opportunity to join with other children in the area and have fun singing in a choir under the guidance of our highly skilled West of England Music and Arts teachers.

Did you know that singing in a choir is not only fun but develops musical skills, helps build social skills, improves self-confidence and relieves stress.

To be able to join this Junior Choir Day your child must be in Years 3, 4, 5 or 6.

**WHERE AND WHEN:**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April Haywood Village Academy, Whitney Crescent, Weston-super-Mare, BS24 8ES

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April Unity Oldland Methodist Church, West Street, Oldland Common, BS30 9QS

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April St Peter's Church, between Church Road North and Church Road South, Portishead, BS20 8EN

You may attend a Monday and Wednesday course if you wish. You will need to apply for both separately.

**TIME:** 9am – 3.30pm. Parents / Carers are invited for a short performance at 3.15pm.

**WHAT TO BRING:** packed lunch and drinks for the day

**WHAT TO WEAR:** comfortable clothing

**COST:** £25 for the day. No charge if your child is eligible for pupil premium.

**HOW TO SIGN UP AND PAY:** <https://wema.org.uk/Easter-Sing>

Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis so early booking recommended. Bookings will close on 3<sup>rd</sup> April or earlier if all the places have been filled.

I do hope your young musician can join us for this exciting opportunity.

If you have any further questions, please email: [music@wema.org.uk](mailto:music@wema.org.uk)

Best wishes

Alice Bodiley

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JOIN US FOR SOME

# Easter fun!

## Easter Hunt

AROUND SCHOOL

FRIDAY 4TH APRIL 3:20PM

£2 ENTRY

CRACK THE CODE AND WIN A PRIZE

## Decorate an egg competition

1. HARD BOIL AN EGG
2. HAVE FUN WITH DECORATIONS
3. BRING IT TO SCHOOL (NAMED!)
- ON FRIDAY 4TH APRIL TO DISPLAY
4. 1ST 2ND AND 3RD PRIZE WILL BE AWARDED

(EGGS CAN THEN BE COLLECTED AT THE END OF THE DAY)



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to request a sign up link**

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