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Monday 3rd November Return to school Tuesday 4th November Forest School 4N Thursday 6th November Forest School 20G NPSA Fireworks Tuesday 11th November Forest School 4AB Wednesday 12th November Bath Blitz Walk 6B Virtual NPSA Meeting 7.30pm Thursday 13th November Forest School 2KO Bath Blitz Walk 6KR Friday 14th November Newbridge's Got Talent Tuesday 18th November Forest School 4N 5HK Herschel Museum Wednesday 19th November 5F Herschel Museum Friday 21st November Books and Bagels 8.15am NPSA Cake Sale Tuesday 25th November Forest School 4AB Friday 5th December NPSA Christmas Disco Saturday 6th December

Class 20G Wednesday 10th December Lower School Nativity Class 2KO

NPSA Santa's Grotto

Tuesday 9th December

Lower School Nativity

Thursday 11th December Y6 choir to Stratton House Monday 15th December Volunteers' Thank You Tuesday 16th December **Emmanuel Church Nativity Lower** School

Wednesday 17th December Christmas Lunch US Christmas Concert 6pm Thursday 18th December US Christmas Concert 9:30am **Lower School Christmas Parties** Friday 19th December

Last Day of Term 2 Keeping children safe:

A parent workshop is being held on 10th November at 9am, 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.

Inset Days 2025/26

Monday 5th January 2026 Friday 26th June 2026 Wednesday 22nd July. 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

This has been a really positive first term back to school, and bodes well for another successful year. From the moment staff arrived for our Inset Day on 2nd September, the pace and dedication have been relentless. Week by week, the children have built on prior learning and risen to our high expectations, resulting in a term that everyone should be proud of. A special well done goes to Ladybird and Bee Class, who have completed their very first term at school. My sincere thanks go to all of our staff, who go above and beyond every day to support and inspire our children. I hope that both staff and pupils enjoy a very well-deserved break.

Diwali Celebrations: On Monday, our whole school came together to celebrate the festival of Diwali. The day began with a whole school assembly, where pupils and staff learned about the significance of Diwali, its traditions and the values it represents such as light overcoming darkness and the importance of kindness and community. Throughout the day, the children engaged in a variety of activities that brought the spirit of Diwali to life. The day was an opportunity for our school community to come together and appreciate diversity.

Teacher/Parent Meetings and Interim School Reports: Thank you to those who joined the Parent/Teacher meetings; we hope these proved helpful. An interim pupil report will be sent home at the end of Term 2. This will provide an update on progress against age related expectations and next step targets.

Florence Nightingale Day: The children and staff were dressed for the occasion on Monday. It was Florence Nightingale Day, for Class 1DB and Class 1H. The day was themed on their current enquiry 'What makes a hero?' and the children came to school dressed as doctors, nurses and soldiers. The children worked across the year group and completed a range of activities and learnt about the impact of Florence Nightingale's work. The day highlighted what a hero is and the impact we can all have by showing care for others. Thank you to the parents who organised the children's outfits for the special day.

Prospective parent visits: Our House Captains, Year 6 tour guides and Class Ambassadors have represented the school superbly at recent visits. When welcoming and touring prospective EYFS parents, they spoke with confidence, kindness and pride, showcasing everything that makes our school special. They were an absolute credit to both the school and themselves. As always, visiting parents were 'wowed' by our pupils — and, as I often say, the children truly are our best advert.

Launching the NPSA's 'Newbridge Has Got Talent': This week, we have been excited to launch the NPSA's Newbridge's Got Talent sponsorship event, taking place on Friday 14th November. Every child can take part if they want to in a 10-minute playground challenge, seeing how many times they can repeat their chosen skill from cartwheels and skipping to drawing, times tables, tongue twisters, or keepie-uppies! Information and sponsorship forms were sent home on Monday 20th October so children can start practising and fundraising over half term. All money raised goes to the NPSA.

Library visit for Year 6: Our Year 6 pupils, who are the school's librarians, enjoyed a visit from the Librarian at Bath Central Library last week. There was an opportunity to learn more about how a public library runs and how reading can be encouraged. They shared tips on how to keep our school library organised, welcoming and exciting for pupils. Mr Mullee, who is overseeing our school library is working closely with the Year 6 librarians to promote reading across the school. Together, they are planning new displays, book recommendations and themed reading events to make the library accessible and inviting.

Newbridge v Combe Down: In torrential conditions yesterday, we invited Combe Down for a boys' football match. It was a close game, with both teams battling hard. Sadly, for our boys, Combe Down came out on top. Well done to all who played and endured the weather.

Safer School Streets: We are working with Bath & North East Somerset Council to explore the introduction of a School Street in the Lyme Road area, aimed at reducing traffic and creating a safer, healthier environment for residents, children and families during school drop-off and pick-up times. More information will be shared in due course, but meanwhile please save the date for a community drop-in event next term in the Upper School Hall on Monday 10th November between 3.10pm and 5.30pm

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.

The teacher's blog on Google Classroom will have further updates of the week, with photographs Have a lovely half term, and thank you for your continued support, Gill Kennaugh



Ladybird-Alexander M, Amelia SG Bee-Martha G, Willow D

IDE – Attlee L, Nancy H

20G – Oscar B, Sanvi R

3DE – Effie W, Samantha J

4AB – Ellis J, Peace F

5HK – April B, Olivier F

6KR – Audrey E, Naleen Y 6B – Amelie S, Ronnie H

1H - Max S, Spencer D

2KO - Ezrae W, Thea H

3M – Primrose H, Zain O

4N – Leo D, Rueben LL

5F – Georgie K, Oliver T

PE Stars of the Week Neula I Class 6B, Stuart D Class 6B

Music Stars of the Week Everyone in Year 6 Choir!



Thank you to everyone who supported our Harvest collection last Friday. We were able to make many donations to the Nest Project and Genesis Trust.

Around School This Week

On Friday, the Y6 members of the choir performed for the residents of Stratton House Care Home. Their singing was amazing and many of the children played the piano, too. As always, behaviour was excellent and they represented the school brilliantly.

From the staff and residents:

"It was so uplifting and heart-warming to hear you all sing so beautifully and hear some of you play the piano. We loved chatting to you all afterwards too. Thank you and we are looking forward to next time."











Throughout the day, Year 1 enjoyed a variety of exciting activities themed around Florence Nightingale, including drama, role play, bandaging, and history lessons. They gained a deeper understanding of what life was like in the past and discovered how Florence Nightingale transformed the world of nursing through her ground-breaking work. We would like to say a special thank you to Lizzie Sawyer and Heather Sanchez who took the time to join our day and taught the children about their roles within the hospital.

Florence Nightingale Day











Around School This Week

This Monday was Diwali, the festival of light, celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world. To celebrate Diwali, we took part in lots of different activities across the day including learning about the story of Rama and Sita, making Diwali decorations, learning new songs and dances and making rangoli patterns so the goddess Lakshmi would come and bring us good luck. It was a lovely day full of energy and positivity!













Around School This Week

"I really enjoyed it when the librarian came in because it was interesting finding out what goes on in the Central Library of Bath". Grace B.

"At the end of Cara's visit, she kindly gave us a couple of book marks each and stickers. We were very grateful for her visit and we really enjoyed it". Niki P and Sophie B



Save the Date: Help Shape a Safer School Street

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Venue: Upper School Hall, Newbridge Primary School
Date: Monday 10 November

© Time: 3:10–5.30pm (drop-in anytime)

You will join residents in the area to learn more, ask questions, and share your views and your input will help to shape its success.

OPAL This Week



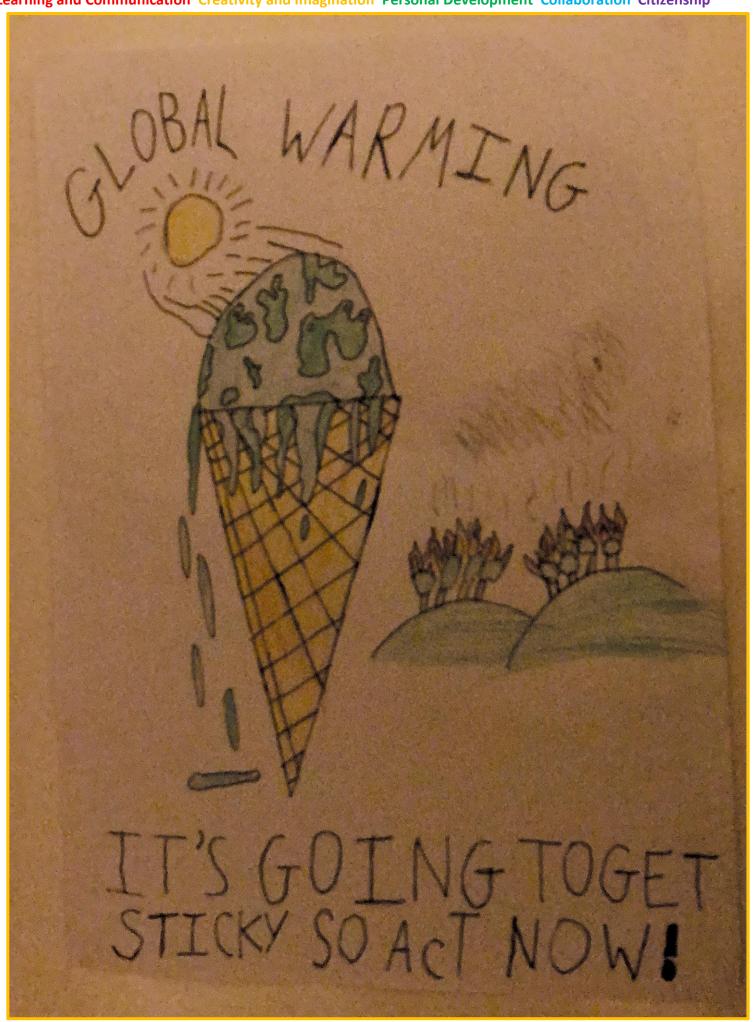










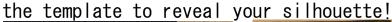


Autumn Art

Get creative at home with these craft

Autumn Leaf Silhouettes

Cut out a leaf template. You could find a picture online to print and cut out or draw round a leaf. Then, stick the template onto black card and paint all over. You could use a paintbrush or experiment with sponges or scrunched up foil for a different look. When dry, peel off













First, go on a hunt for autumn leaves! Then, stick them onto a sheet of paper in a circle. Then, cut out a lion's face to

Straw Firework Art

For more firework art, put a small blob of paint onto some card. Use a straw to blow the paint to create explosive fireworks!





Cardboard Tube Fireworks
Use scissors to create
snips in one end of a
toilet roll tube. Fan out
the snipped end, then dip
in paint and stamp onto
black paper to create
fireworks! Sprinkle some
glitter over the wet





Fixtures This Week

Newbridge v Combe Down

In the pouring rain on Thursday afternoon the Newbridge football team played a very spirited and disciplined Combe Down side in the B&NES Cup. It was a close match and even in the final moments of the game Newbridge could have forced a penalty shoot-out, but sadly on this occasion it wasn't to be.

Knowing that Combe Down have some very talented players, having played them in the League 1 a week earlier, the Newbridge boys set out with good energy and strength, contesting for every ball and controlling the midfield. In a tight first half neither side had any clear-cut chances, and it ended 0-0.

With conditions worsening and the pitch becoming very slippery, the second half didn't lend itself to the skilful football some of the boys like to play. An early Combe Down goal was followed by a second 10 minutes from the end. Newbridge kept going, and Arthur's goal one minute from time gave hope of a dramatic comeback. Right at the end a goal mouth scramble seemed like it might be taking the game to penalties, but Combe Down got away with it, and progress to the next round.

Player of the Day: Otis, for being vocal with encouragement and determined in tackling and driving forward.



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





Winning the gold medal for children's sports classes

We take what children love to do the most (running super fast, jumping high and throwing far) and mix it with imaginative themes, learning to follow instructions, making friends, developing skills and burning energy!









SCAN HERE TO BOOK A PLACE!











Your local weekly class:

Newbridge Primary School (BAI 3LL)

Saturdays: 9.00am (Didee) 9.45am (Little) 10.30am (Mini)

Contact:

Michael Pope

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www.miniathletics.com









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 **one skill** 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

Learning and Communication Creativity and Imagination Personal Development Collaboration Citizenship 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 Friday 14th 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 **Friday 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 **npsabath@gmail.com**. Thank you for your support!



Sponsorship Form

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

