



NEWBRIDGE News

www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk
enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk

Issue 3.01 05.01.24

Term 3

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

Tuesday 20th February
Forest School 2M

Wednesday 21st February
Forest School 4B

Friday 23rd February
Feel Good Friday

**Tuesday 27th February to
Tuesday 5th March**
Book Fair

Tuesday 27th February
Forest School 2R

Wednesday 28th February
Forest School 4T

Monday 4th March
Book Week

Tuesday 5th March
Forest School 2M

Wednesday 6th March
Forest School 4B
Year 5 Residential Meeting at
3:30pm

Thursday 7th March
Year 6 Residential Meeting at
3:30pm
World Book Day

**Monday 11th, Wednesday 13th
and Friday 15th March**
Parents to view books
Clubs finish this week

Friday 15th March
EYFS Assembly

Tuesday 19th March
NPSA Meeting

Thursday 21st March
Parents' Evening

Tuesday 26th March
Parents' Evening

Thursday 28th March
Express Yourself Day
End of Term 4

For Term Dates please look
[here](#)

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year and welcome back to Term 3. I hope you were able to enjoy the holiday period and found time to relax and catch up with friends and family. It has been a prompt start back to term but, as ever, the children have risen to our expectations and have managed the week well.

Absence in term time and punctuality

Please know that absence in term time will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. All absence requests must be completed two weeks in advance, when this is possible. All absence requests must be completed using the online form, to which a response will be sent in return. The form can be found [here](#). Arriving at school on time ensures a calm start to the day for everyone. Therefore, all children must arrive through the school gates by 8.53am to be in class for registration at 8.55am. Children who are not in class at this time will be marked as Late (L) and Unauthorised (U) after 9.10am. Please ensure that you bring your child to the Office, to sign them in, if they are late.

School Uniform Reminders

It is important that everyone upholds the school dress code as this reflects our high standards and expectations. Please note the following: children are not permitted to wear boots; hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back at all times, with no elaborate hair pieces; the only jewellery allowed is stud earrings – no bracelets, rings, necklaces or hoop earrings; nail varnish is not permitted; uniform items should be grey and not black for trousers, shorts and pinafores, socks should not be coloured - only black, white or grey; skorts can be worn for PE only and trainers can only be worn on PE days.

Healthy Schools

We promote healthy eating throughout the school for Breakfast Club, After School Club, the morning snack and for school meals. With this, whilst it is a lovely thought that parents wish to bring in cakes and treats on children's birthdays, we do not support these requests. Parents sometimes ask what can be provided as a packed lunch. We suggest that sugary and salty snacks are kept to a minimum and that the lunch contains some fresh fruit and vegetables. [Here](#) are some useful packed lunch ideas by the NHS. Please note that there should not be any nut products in school, at all.

Year 4 launch their new enquiry

Year 4 got off to a quick start this week and launched their new enquiry by welcoming visitors on Wednesday. History came to life when the Roman Baths brought their workshop into school. The children handled 2000 year old artefacts including a Roman bowl from France and original mosaic tiles from Bath.

Eco Ambassador Applications

Grace in Year 5 and Hayley in Year 4 have continued to be diligent in working on the eco-ambassador applications. We have been incredibly impressed with the passion and ideas all of the applicants have shared and wish to thank everyone for applying. The chosen ambassadors, on this occasion, will be announced in assembly on Monday.

Extra-Curricular Activities

For those children entitled to free school meals eligible by benefit, there will be no charge applicable for fee paying clubs. Please contact the office to know where there are remaining spaces. All clubs start on Monday 15th January.

Contacting the school

For all correspondence, please can parents use the email address enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk.

Severe Weather

Please be advised, that if it is necessary to close the school in the event of severe weather, parents and carers will be notified by email. This decision will be made as early as possible and will be determined by understanding the safety of the school site and which staff are able to travel to and from work.

Google Classroom

Please read the 'blog' posted on Google Classroom today, telling you all about the class learning and activities. 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 therefore the blog is provided in response to this. If you could leave a simple message, we would love to hear from you and to know the updates are valued.

Compassionate Community - Bath

You may know that we support this charity by the children designing and writing Christmas cards for members of our community who may be in need of friendship and thought around the Christmas period. Whilst I am very sure many of the cards touched the hearts of those who received them, we are aware of one lady who reached out on social media to say thank you to Ruby in Year 5 for the beautifully designed card and for the sentiment expressed with the words inside. It was evident just how much this kind and thoughtful gesture meant to the lady at a time of need. You will know how much we value and promote kindness and giving back at Newbridge Primary School and therefore it was so heartening to know of this impact. Thank you to everyone who provided a card and brought happiness to others.

Trial one way traffic system

We have received information from B&NES Council about a trial one-way traffic system on our neighbouring roads. Please see extracts from the letter received.

We are writing to inform you of a proposal to trial a one-way system along Charmouth Road, Lyme Road and Lyme Gardens from Spring 2024. The proposal is the outcome of significant consultation and co-design already carried out with the local community as part of our Liveable Neighbourhood (LN) programme. Should the proposal be approved, we would install the one-way system in Spring 2024 for a minimum of six months as part of an ongoing consultation. The aim is to reduce traffic congestion, improve pedestrian safety and encourage more walking and cycling through the area. These roads are particularly dangerous near the school during school pick-up and drop-off. Under the trial, all motorised traffic for Charmouth Road, Lyme Road and Lyme Gardens would enter the area from the Charmouth Road junction with Newbridge Road (A4), travel west along Lyme Road, and south along Lyme Gardens to exit the area. Signage would inform drivers of the one-way system and remind them to consider cyclists travelling in both directions. Your comments are important to us, and our advisors will be happy to talk to you and address any concerns you might have. In the meantime, you are welcome to contact an advisor on 01225 394025 or at LN@bathnes.gov.uk.

Have a lovely weekend.

With best wishes,

Gill Kennaugh

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★



Ladybirds – Annabel B, Oscar F

Bees – Emily H, Walter A



IEO – Annie H, Oscar R

1G – Billy C, Juliette S - L



2M – Magnus B, Lucy C

2R – Izzy C, Isaac H



3OG – Sherhat Y, Joe M

3BA – Beau G, April B



4B – Ben W, Harrison H

4T – James R, Lyla R-B



5HB – Isobel M, Bethan T

5F – Oscar D, Deniz T



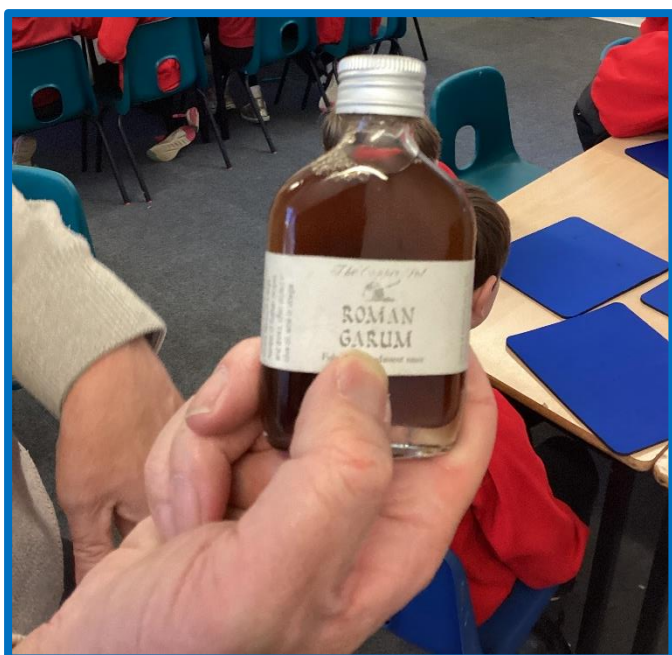
6KR – Elisa P, Nora B

6N – Julia F C, Elisabeth W



Year 4 Roman Baths Visit

History came to life for Year 4 on Wednesday when the Roman Baths brought their workshop into school. The children got to handle 2000 year old artefacts, including a Roman bowl from France and original mosaic tiles from Bath. They also got to smell a special Roman fish sauce recipe.



Year 6 Blood Smoothies

Year 6 have begun their new enquiry 'What makes us human?'. They have begun by exploring the content of blood by making 'Blood Smoothies'. Each ingredient represented a different component of blood. Have a look at their facial expressions to see what they thought of the taste!

BLOOD SMOOTHIE

Have a go at making your own blood using the smoothie ingredients below. Each ingredient represents a different component of blood.

Blood smoothie recipe

- 300g raspberries or strawberries (red blood cells)
- A few small white marshmallows (white blood cells)
- 1 teaspoon of sprinkles (platelets)
- 400ml pineapple juice (plasma)



Method

Blend all the ingredients inside a blender to make your blood.





Everyone Active

Thank you to everyone who came along to our first fun dance session of the year – it was **GREAT!**

Sessions will continue each Friday morning at 8.10am until 8.40am.

