

# NEWBRIDGE

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#### Term 3

Tuesday 21st January NPSA Meeting at 7.30pm Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January NPSA Cake & Uniform Sale Parents to look at books 3.15pm – 4pm Monday 3rd February Parents to look at books 3.15pm – 4pm Tuesday 4th February Parents to look at books 3.15pm – 4pm Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February Parent and Teacher Meetings Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February Parent and Teacher Meetings Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February End of Term 3

#### Term 4

Monday 24th February Start of Term 4 Tuesday 25th February **Book Fair Week** Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February EYFS Egg Theatre Trip Wednesday 5th March Year 4 Roman Baths Visit Thursday 6th March World Book Dav Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March NPSA Cake and Uniform Sale W/C Monday 10th March Book Week Wednesday 12th March Year 5 Residential Meeting 3:30pm Friday 14th March Ladybird Class Assembly 2.40pm Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March NPSA Meeting Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March Bee Class Assembly 2.40pm Monday 24th March Clubs finish this week Tuesday 25th March NPSA Meeting Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March Year 4 Assembly 2:30pm Monday 31st March Year 6 Dance Umbrella Friday 4th April End of Term 4

#### Inset Days 2024/25

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

Please <u>click here</u> for the terms dates.

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

We are fully commited to all children having access to a wide range of opportunities. This week, before school, at lunchtime and after school, the children in Year 1 to Year 6 have access to 27 different clubs. We are very proud of this offer. Additionally, with having our own school mini-bus, we have enabled a large number of the Upper School, and some Lower School children, to participate in a wide range of competitive and non-competetive sports and activities. The minibus has made a vast difference to what the children can access, and we are very proud of this, too. This week the minibus was in action, with two great events.

Year 5 and Year 6 Boys at the County Finals: Having won the Bath Schools' football tournament in Term 2, the boys set off on Tuesday, to Strode College in Street, to play in the Somerset County Final. What an occasion this was! The boys' conduct both on and off the pitch was impeccable; representing Newbridge in all of the ways I would ever hope for. It truly was a privilege to be there for the day with the team. The opportunity could not have been afforded without the boys' commitment and without the coaching, time and effort from Mr Farrier and Mr Wallace. I will let you read on, to know all about the outcome after a very long day. Well done boys, I am so proud of you all.

**Ten Pin Bowling Competition**: There was further action on Wednesday, when the Ten Pin Bowling Team visited Bath Leisure Cente to play against other schools, in conjunction with B&NES Sports Partnership, Bath Rugby Foundation and Bath College, There was some very skilled bowling, and a great deal of fun. The images below represent this.

**Young Voices 2025:** All preparations are being finalised for the musical event of the year. 121 children, forming the school choir, are completing their final rehearsals ready to take part in Young Voices 2025 on 29<sup>th</sup> January. Thank you to everyone who is pulling out all of the stops to make this happen, and to the children for their commitment and talent.

**Thank you, NPSA:** A lot of fun was had at the NPSA discos last Friday evening for the Upper School children. Special thanks to Mrs Banks who organised this event, and to all of the parent volunteers who ensured the night ran smoothly. The next NPSA meeting is online on 21<sup>st</sup> January at 7.30pm – all are welcome.

**Violent Knife Crime Reduction:** We are hosting a meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January from 6pm to 8pm on behalf of B&NES Violence Reduction Partnership. The meeting will focus on the serious and concerning matter of knife crime. Please see the poster below to book a free ticket via Eventbrite.

**Punctuality:** 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.

**Back to School Health Advice:** We have received this health advice from the UK Health Security Agency <u>Back</u> to School Health Advice and have been asked to share it with parents and carers.

**Parking around the school site**: Again, we ask that when collecting and dropping off, parents and carers do not park in a way which will cause a hazard to pedestrians and other drivers. This includes not parking outside the school gates, which is dangerous, and causes chaos.

**Idling Vehicles:** Keeping a vehicle engine running while parked and waiting, contributes to poor air quality, affecting the health of those in our community. Therefore, parents and carers are asked to turn engines off at pick-up and drop-off times to help create a cleaner, safer environment. B&NES are promoting the 'Kick the Habit' campaign, and you can read more about this <u>here.</u> Emissions caused by excessive idling can trigger asthma attacks and worsen health conditions, so please do turn your engine off to protect everyone's health.

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

**Google Classroom:** Please read the 'blog' posted on Google Classroom, today, telling you about the class learning and activities. This update is provided for parents and carers to continue conversations at home.

**Mojo Moves is back!** It was a great pleasure to welcome Cheryl back to school this morning, following a long break. We had the best disco dancing session – looking after our health and wellbeing. Everyone is very welcome, free of charge, every Friday morning at 8.10am.

With best wishes, and enjoy the weekend, Gill Kennaugh

 $\Rightarrow$  STARS OF THE WEEK

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1DO – Christopher B, Ivy S

20G – Arthur LF, Otis LP

**3DE** – Rose Y, Scarlett Rose F

**4B** – Georgie K, Olivier F, Ollie G

5HK – Izzy S-G, Jacob J

6KR – Ruby B, Thai P

Bees – Felix S-F, Lily S Ladybirds – Isaac W, Rosa N IG – Walter A, Sebby J

2R – Praise F, Oscar L

3M – Charlie D, Louis R

4BA – Alix M-C, Aria S

5F – Alba M, Jem C

6N – Amira A, Barney P

PE Stars of the Week: Sarafina D Class 4BA, Sonny M Class 6N Player Of The Day Flynn N - Class 6N Music Stars of the Week: Mackenzie P Class 4BA, Rueben L-L Class 3DE

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Oliver and Olivier were very keen to share what they had been up to at home.

Taking their learning about the Romans a step further, they collaborated to design and make this impressive shields and swords.

Aren't they great?!

# Little Free Library



We have lots of books in our book exchange- the Little Free Library in the foyer of the Upper School- ready to be given a new home. There are picture books and chapter books so there's something for the youngest to the oldest children to enjoy. We have lots of books in storage so you are welcome to simply

choose a book to keep with no need to exchange at this time. Happy reading!

Mrs Amor



# Ten Pin Bowling for KS2

Great fun was had by all on a trip to Bath Sports and Leisure Centre on Wednesday, to compete in the B&NES Schools' Ten Pin Bowling. Well done to: Felix, Leona, Sami, Izzy, Carla, Olivia, Dura Nia, Rue, Anouk, Hannah, Naleen, Victor and Ellie-Mae.

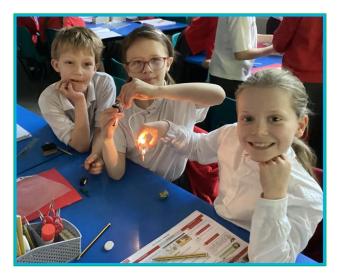


### Year 4 Electrical Circuits

This week Year 4 have been learning how to draw the symbols for electrical circuits and working together to create their own simple or not so simple circuits. They really enjoyed creating their own spinners for the motors!











### Year 6 Dance Umbrella

Clubs have started with a bang this week and the Year 6 Dance Umbrella have blown Mrs Bartlett and Mrs O Gara away with their talents. They have shown great promise and we are really looking forward to choreographing more of the dance next week. Well done Year 6!



### Space Day in Year 5

Year 5 kicked off 2025 with Space Day last Wednesday!

"We created rockets and then placed eggs inside. Using our knowledge of making bridges, we used straws to create a structure of trusses. The aim was that none our eggs would break (some of us made a parachute for our capsule)." **Niki. Harith said:** 5F had loads of fun this week. We made our own rockets (we had to protect a hard boiled egg that we attached to the top).









# County Finals Match Report

The Newbridge footballers were in action at the County Finals this week, with their remarkable talents seeing them reach the final and only narrowly missing out on leaving with the winner's trophy.

Following their success in winning the BATHNES Schools' Tournament in November, the A team went to Street to compete in the finals. Placed in a group with 5 other tournament winners the team absolutely shone, winning all 5 games and only conceding 1 goal on the way to the semi-finals.

This talented group of boys played such good football that they attracted attention of other schools not even in their group! Newbridge became known as 'the team to beat'! Highlights from the group stage included twice scoring winning goals with the last action of the game, one a volley into the roof of the net from Will, the other a header from Arthur. Flynn scored some sublime goals with quick feet and beating players. Tom and Harry assisting in 5 goals between them with great running and passing. Jake banging in two goals to keep the winning streak going, and Charlie, Barney and Rhed with brave defending to ensure the goal was protected. And of course, our goalkeeper, Sam, being ever reliable and strong making a host of saves.

The semi-final was tense and the two teams could not be separated, with the tie ending 0-0. A penalty shootout followed which was excruciating to watch! In the end, a jaw-dropping save from Sam proved crucial in ensuring Newbridge deservedly progressed to the final.

Playing against a team we had narrowly beaten in the group, 1-0, the final ended with a similar scoreline, but agonisingly in reverse. Despite creating lots of chances, we could not find a way past their keeper for a second time and in the end a well worked goal for the opposition won the game and the tournament.

Looking over the whole experience, it should not be underestimated what a remarkable achievement this is. To get so close to the Regional Finals required the team to play 13 matches in total, during which they conceded just two goals and lost only 1 game.

Well done and big congratulations to all the players, and as ever thanks to the parents and family members who came to give support, consolation, and doughnuts!

Player of the Day: Flynn, for exceptional talent and skill and a great competitive spirit.

Mr Farrier – Football Coach







### Everyone, Mojo Moves is back!

It was lovely to see Cheryl, this morning, and have her back in school leading our FREE early morning dance sessions.

It is a lot of fun, and a great way to start the day. It is open to all ages – parents, grandparents and toddlers, too.

There is no need to sign up, just come along at 8.10am on a Friday morning, in the Upper School Hall.





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Are you having a clear-out?



To keep the excitement of OPAL going, we particularly are requesting the following items, if you might have any, please.

Anything on wheels - Suitcases, pushchairs, trolleys, skateboards, scooters, bikes, wheelchairs, Trunkis
Fancy Dress clothing - Fun items for dressing up, any shape or size Kitchen – Pots, pans, utensils
Wellies – Size 5 upwards
Food Waste Storage Bins – Stoarge For Art World Materials Garden Trowels - Any small hand tools

Anything else, we'll give it a second life....surprise us!





## Knife crime awareness events



Bath & North East Somerset

Violence Reduction Partnership

### Join us at

Newbridge Primary School Wednesday 22nd January, 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Chew Valley School Monday 10th February, 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Parents and carers in B&NES are invited to learn about the devastating impact of knife crime and how they can support young people to steer away from its dangers at a series of events.

You will hear from a guest speaker with lived experience who has been personally affected by knife crime. There will be an opportunity to hear about the support available for children and families in B&NES and view a partnership film on county lines.

There will also be a panel discussion with an opportunity to ask questions.

Free tickets can be booked in advance via <u>Eventbrite</u>, search for **B&NES VRP** to find your nearest event.

The event is organised by the Bath & North East Somerset Violence Reduction Partnership which aims to prevent and reduce violence in our area.

### Any questions about the event can be emailed to

VRP\_Events@bathnes.gov.uk

Or book your ticket now on Eventbrite



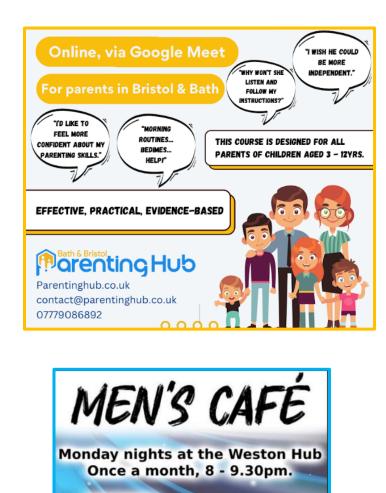
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Bath & North East Somerset Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP)









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