



NEWBRIDGE News

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Term 3

Tuesday 23rd January
NPSA meeting 7.30pm -
online

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
3.20pm to 4.00pm

Clubs finish this week

Friday 15th March
EYFS Assembly 2.40pm

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

I hope you have had a good week. It was only today that I have realised we are half way through the term already – as the weeks speed by we make sure that every second counts and that the children are always immersed in meaningful and exciting learning.

Our collaboration with other schools To strengthen our work in school and to develop our practice, you may know that we work in an informal arrangement with other local schools. We have formed the B&NES Maintained Schools' Hub, and after a year and a half working closely together we are all benefitting from the activities we commit to. Our Inset day at the start of January was with five of these schools - having nearly one hundred teachers together to access training on engaging pupils in their learning was powerful. At this event, although we have been trialing it since September, we launched the use of the Kagan Model, which is a model designed to encourage pupils learning collaboratively together. You can find out more about this [here](#). Our B&NES Hub work involves many different activities - from the moderation of writing, to monitoring in each others' schools with a subject specific focus, to subject cluster meetings whereby subject leads from each school meet to develop their subject, share resources and work on shared actions. Our teachers speak highly of this professional development and you will see from last week's newsletter that it is shining a spotlight on the foundation subjects and strong leadership by our teachers.

Eco Ambassadors – inaugural meeting Feeling proud and responsible, our newly formed Eco Team met today. They were brimming with ideas and activities they would like to see happen across the school to help our environment. We have decided, that whilst the team establishes itself, that an activity everyone can be a part of and support, will demonstrate immediate impact of the teams' work and commitment. Therefore, for the next two weeks, the team are campaigning for all lights and screens in school to be turned off when not in use. The team would like to ask for families to do the same in their homes, please.

Extra-Curricular Activities Again, we are delighted that many children have signed up for extra-curricular activities this term. Our extra-curricular programme and our commitment to competitions and events which allow the children to represent their school, is a priority. The school choir totals an incredible 110 children, and with all other registers combined, 290 places have taken up. This is great - and we still have spaces for pupils who are eligible for free schools meals by benefit. Please ask at the office.

Thank you, Newbridge Citizens Our children and families continue to demonstrate their care and support for our school and our community. We are most grateful to parents and children, linked by Class 2R, who rallied and formed a team to help with the maintenance of our Forest School area. On a recent Sunday, they worked hard to repair the path which had been damaged by the recent removal of redundant classrooms. This project was led by Lora Speers and we are most grateful for all of her efforts, with the team, in ensuring the path has been repaired. I know that Sarah Webb, who leads Forest School would like to also pass on her thanks. Emily, from Ladybird Class, has been a superstar citizen. She took it upon herself to collect litter in her street – looking after the environment and making it a nicer place to live.

Dress code reminders We have noticed that a number of children are not following the school's dress code in relation to jewellery and accessories. Friendship bracelets are not permitted, nor bracelets and necklaces. Some children are wearing hooped earrings, however only plain stud earrings are allowed, for health and safety reasons. For PE, if children are wearing earrings other than studs, they will need to be removed.

Google Classroom Please read the 'blog' posted on Google Classroom today, telling you about the class learning and activities. 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. There has been a down turn in interaction with this and the teachers would like to know that their time spent completing the blog is valuable.

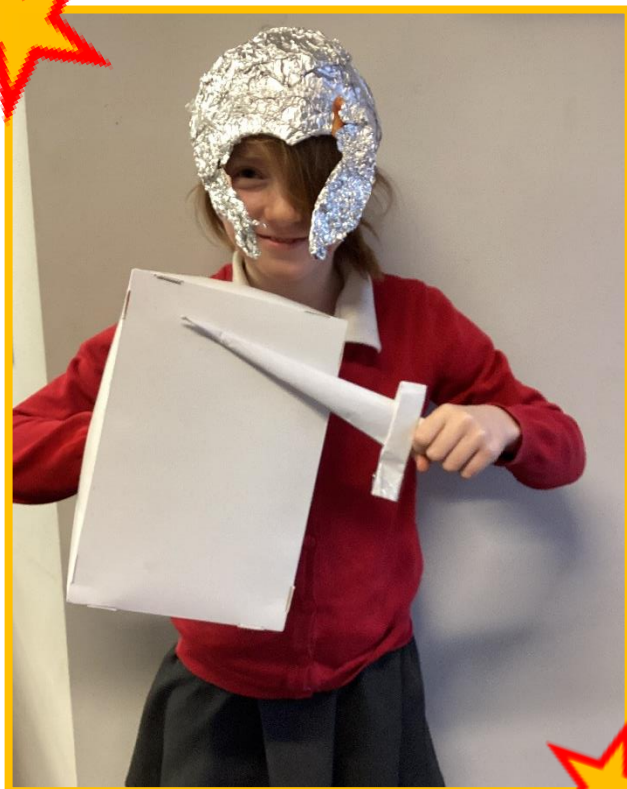
Severe Weather Please be advised that if it is necessary to close the school parents and carers will be notified by email. It is rare for this to happen but not unknown. Any necessary decision will be made as early as possible and will be determined by understanding the safety of the school site and which staff are able to travel to and from work.

Wishing you a good weekend.

Thank you for your continued support.

Gill Kennaugh

A HEADTEACHER MENTION



Anisa, from Class 4B, bounds into school every day. She likes to give everything a go, including developing her learning at home. Last Friday, she arrived at school donning the Roman outfit she had made. It was brilliant! Well done, Anisa.

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★



★ Ladybirds – Eartha L-S, Hugo T ★ Bees – Monty M, Myron L ★

★ IEO – Ava M, Gethin T ★ 1G – Isabella I, Oscar B-J ★

★ 2M – Darcey S, Heidi T ★ 2R – Peace F, Alex B ★

★ 3OG – Saskia H, Lucy W ★ 3BA – Louis W, Arthur C ★

★ 4B – Izzy SG, Henry G ★ 4T – Thomas B, Amelie S ★

★ 5HB – Rumel H, Ava-Daisy A ★ 5F – Fern D, Patrick W ★

★ 6KR – Frankie R, Henry B ★ 6N – Emma H, Katie M ★

★ Music Star of the Week ★
Rémi F, Class 6KR Felix B, Class 4B ★



A ROUND SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Forest School Path Repair

Lora Speers (mum of Zeke and Solly), helped by a group of volunteer parents and children, kindly repaired the Forest School path. They spent last Sunday (7th January) digging out the mud and surfacing it with wood chippings so that it now has a decent surface to walk on.

The volunteers were: Andrew and Arthur; Helen; Andrew; Bex, Bess and Jonny; Ade and Primrose; Rob, Zeke and Solly.

Thank you all, so much.



Year 3 Maths Lessons

Last week, Year 3 learnt how to multiply 2 digit numbers with exchange. This is not an easy task but the children have worked so hard. On Thursday last week, we had many teachers, as the children that had mastered the skill were teaching the others! It was amazing and everyone made such improvements.



NPSA NEWS

Bags2School - Tuesday 23rd January

If you are having a clear out this weekend then please bring in your bags of clothing to the lower school foyer (the entrance that reception, Yr1 and Yr2 use) from Monday. This excellent scheme enables your clothing to be given a new life, as well as raising money for the school. Please note that uniform cannot be donated - this can be given in at the next uniform sale we hold at school. Please check the website for the list of acceptable and unacceptable donations <https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect>

NPSA Meeting Online

The next NPSA meeting is Tuesday 23rd January at 7:30pm. We are trialing an online meeting to enable more people to attend. These meetings are for everyone, but that doesn't mean you have to contribute! You can simply listen in to see what happens, or if you've always wanted to contribute but have never been able to attend a meeting then we hope to hear from you. We will be discussing up and coming fundraising events and ideas, along with an exciting new project that we'd like to get started on in school. Please use this link to join us <https://meet.google.com/wnp-drqf-yqz>



Well done to Emily K, in Ladybird Class, who spent the weekend with her dad, litter picking.

We really appreciate the work you have done for our Newbridge community Emily – thank you!

A big thank you to all of the generous volunteers who come into school 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





Everyone Active

Thank you to everyone who came along to our fun dance session this morning – it was

GREAT!

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



OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



February 2024 Holiday Club days provide 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 Sarah Webb and Claire Pickman, both experienced Forest School leaders based in and around Bath, with DBS disclosure, First Aid training and public liability insurance. The site and all activities are risk-assessed.

Tues 13th

Wed 14th

Thurs 15th

Full – Waitlist

Time: 9.00am – 4.00pm

Please bring morning snack, packed lunch and a water bottle.
Campfire snacks will be provided in the afternoon

Cost: 1 day booking: £40 per day – siblings £38 per child per day
2 day booking: £78 per child
3 day booking: £38 per child per day

Booking essential, please email valair1@hotmail.com or call on 07825 610145 for a booking form.
Spaces are limited to 20-25 children per day.

Come in!
For tasty food
and good company



Free meals
Wednesdays
7.00pm

Everyone is welcome

FoodCycle Bath
Walcot Methodist
Chapel
Nelson Place
BA1 5DA



Sit and eat with us
Come inside for a
warm, tasty
meal.

No referral
needed, just
turn up!

Website: www.foodcycle.org.uk
Email: bath@foodcycle.org.uk
Phone: 02077 292 775
Registered Charity Number 1134423





Girlguiding
88th Bath City Rainbows

A new rainbows unit has opened in Bath!

Once a month on a Saturday
9am-12pm

Girlguiding HQ,
Walcot street

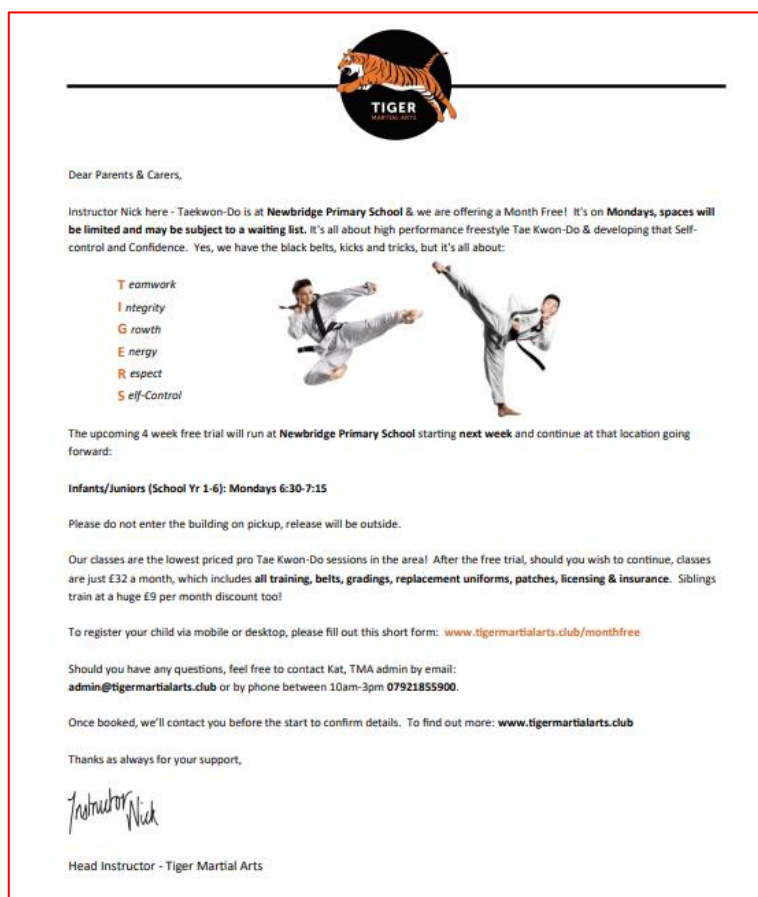
For girls aged 4-7 years

Leaders:
Holly & Jess

Rainbows
88th Bath City Rainbows

linko.page/88thbathcity

For more information please contact:
88thrainbows@girlguidingbath.org.uk



TIGER
MARTIAL ARTS

Dear Parents & Carers,

Instructor Nick here - Taekwon-Do is at **Newbridge Primary School** & we are offering a Month Free! It's on **Mondays**, spaces will be limited and may be subject to a waiting list. It's all about high performance freestyle Tae Kwon-Do & developing that Self-control and Confidence. Yes, we have the black belts, kicks and tricks, but it's all about:

Teamwork
Integrity
Growth
Energy
Respect
Self-Control

The upcoming 4 week free trial will run at **Newbridge Primary School** starting **next week** and continue at that location going forward:

Infants/Juniors (School Yr 1-6): Mondays 6:30-7:15

Please do not enter the building on pickup, release will be outside.

Our classes are the lowest priced pro Tae Kwon-Do sessions in the area! After the free trial, should you wish to continue, classes are just £32 a month, which includes **all training, belts, gradings, replacement uniforms, patches, licensing & insurance**. Siblings train at a huge £9 per month discount too!

To register your child via mobile or desktop, please fill out this short form: www.tigermartialarts.club/monthfree

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact Kat, TMA admin by email: admin@tigermartialarts.club or by phone between 10am-3pm **07921855900**.

Once booked, we'll contact you before the start to confirm details. To find out more: www.tigermartialarts.club

Thanks as always for your support,

Instructor Nick

Head Instructor - Tiger Martial Arts



**Skills for Work -
Volunteering Opportunities
2024**

FREE ENTRY

The Event Will Be Held On:
Wednesday 31st January
10:00am - 12:00pm
at Bath Central Library

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