



NEWBRIDGE News

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Dates

Term 3

Tuesday 31st January

NPSA Meeting

Monday 6th February

Year 1 Space Day

Friday 10th February

End of Term 3

Term 4

Monday 20th February

Start of Term 4

Friday 24th February

Feel Good Friday

Thursday 2nd March

World Book Day

Friday 3rd March

Ladybird Class Assembly
2.40pm

Friday 10th March

Bee Class Assembly 2.40pm

Monday 13th March

Year 6 Residential Meeting
3.30pm

13th/15th/17th March

Open Classrooms 3.20pm to
4.00pm

Thursday 16th March

Year 5 Residential Meeting

Friday 17th March

Year 1 Assembly 2.40pm

Tuesday 21st March

Parents' Evening

Friday 24th March

Year 4 Class Assembly
2.30pm

Wednesday 29th March

Parents' Evening

Friday 31st March

Feel Good Friday

End of Term 4

Dear Parents and Carers

We hope you have had a good week. With much improved weather and lighter evenings, we are all looking forward to Spring. With this, we are currently giving the Conservation Area a much needed rest, so that it can rejuvenate after the hard winter and Forest School use. Everyone loves Forest School sessions – and we look forward to it recommencing in Term 4.

Contacting the school

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

Google Classroom

Please do remember to read your child's Google Classroom Blog. This is written weekly, by the children or class teacher, to update you on the week's learning and activities. We have noticed a down turn in interactions with the blogs, but are keen to keep providing them, if they are valued. Please leave a comment or a thumbs-up, so we know you are reading them.

Young Voices – It's today!

After months of rehearsals and much planning, it's today that 70 of our pupils, along with staff and parent volunteers, have made their way to the Resorts Arena in Birmingham, to take part in the incredible event, Young Voices. Participating with thousands of other school children, our choir will have a day and a night to remember. We set off at 9.30am this morning and don't expect to be back until 11.30pm tonight. Good luck to everyone taking part and a very special, heartfelt thank you to Mrs Best, our Music teacher, who has championed this experience.

Feel Good Phase

On the last Friday of each month, we spend time focusing on everyone's well-being and achieving something positive. Today, our 'phases', for example Year 5 and 6, have combined, to share activities throughout the day. These have included producing collaborative art pieces, designing Roman shields and playing board games.

Year 3 and Year 4 visit the University of Bath

What a fantastic experience some of our children had on Tuesday, when they participated in a Multi-Skill event in the Sports Village at the University of Bath. The children loved trying out new sports, and were excited to be immersed in such an exciting environment whilst being supported by Team Bath coaches. Our team was Barney P, Cerys L, Henry G, Eli R, Afek H, Olivia S, Maddie H, Izzy S-G, Harith A, Niki P, Anisa G and Patrick W – who were superb Newbridge ambassadors – well done, all. Please read on for a full report.

A visit to Bath Share and Repair

More children walked to George St in Bath, to visit the Share and Repair workshop, this week. Class 6N visited on Tuesday and Wednesday to learn about the importance of fixing products, rather than throwing them away. Again, many thanks to the Share and Repair volunteers and staff for inviting our school and to Mrs Davies for coordinating it.

Extra-Curricular Activities

It's been great to see the extra-curricular activity programme taking off again, this week. Well done to everyone who is trying something new or continuing to commit to an activity they have enjoyed previously. A special thanks to those staff who give up their time to run a club.

NEU Strike Action

You will know that the NEU has planned industrial action for Wednesday 1st February. An email sent on Wednesday 25th January, detailed the classes and year groups which will be closed on this day. A further email, with more information, was sent to all parents earlier today.

Goodbye and Good Luck

Today, Justce D, from Class 4B, is leaving our school. We wish her every happiness in her new school, and look forward to hearing about her exciting adventures.

NPSA Meeting

The next NPSA meeting will be held on 31st January at 7.30pm, in the Blue Room. Everyone is welcome. For new families, this is the charity which supports school fundraising and our school community. You will find this week's NPSA Newsletter [here](#).

A role in our school

We are looking for someone kind, supportive and hardworking, to join our lunchtime team. We have a vacancy for a School Meals Supervisory Assistant from 11.45am to 1.15pm. Please contact the school office for further details.

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 requests must be completed using the online form, to which a response will be sent in return. The form can be found on the school website [here](#). Children who are not in class for registration at 8.55am will be marked as Late (L) and Unauthorised (U) after 9.10am. It is the recommendation of Bath and North East Somerset that our school issues Fixed Penalty Notices and this matter is currently being considered by the Governing Body. Children have a legal right to be in school and to receive an education. According to set criteria, if pupils accumulate unauthorised absence or late marks, a Fixed Penalty Notice can be issued. In a desire to give advance notice of this, please also note that absence due to holidays will be coded as unauthorised except in exceptional circumstances.

Dogs on site and at the gate

Please note that dogs are not allowed on the school site at any time, this includes being carried. Please can I ask that dogs are not tied to the railings, as to block the pavement in and out of school.

Term dates and the school calendar

Please refer to the school website [here](#) for the remaining term dates this academic year. For school events going forward, please refer to the calendar on the website at [School Calendar](#). You can view the proposed Bath and North East Somerset term dates [here](#) for 2023/24. The school will have five Inset days in these dates and although they have not all been agreed, we do know that Friday 1st September, will be an Inset day.

Going home arrangements

Thank you for continuing to inform the school office of any going home arrangements, that are not usual. These are only required for the Lower School children. Please can we ask that, whenever possible, the office is notified of these arrangements by 10am.

We hope you have a restful weekend, and especially those who will have a very late night, tonight.

Thank you for your continued support.

Gill Kennaugh

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★



★ **Bee** – Oscar L, Jacob **Ladybird** – Duncan C, Charlotte J ★

★ **IEO** – Darcey S, Quinn H **1G** – Louis R, Tessa G ★

★ **2M** – Matilda B-J, Beau G **2R** – Angus P, Sherhat Y ★

★ **3OG** – Kameron B, Carla L **3BA** – Chloe G, Rosy T ★

★ **4B** – Dylan B, Isobel M **4T** – Clara W. Shadan S ★

★ **5HB** – Katie M, Seb S **5G** – Patrick L, Imogen G ★

★ **6KR** – Sophie G, Fred E **6N** – William S, Mia K ★





Thomas, from Year 5,
created this stunning
pyramid at home, inspired by
the current learning about
the Egyptians. How brilliant
is it?!

Well done, Thomas.

Young Voices

2023.....ready for the off, with
great excitement this morning!





Well done to Heidi and Rosy, who, without prompting, set about on a litter pick at school. Well done – you are both brilliant , responsible Newbridge citizens!

Chloe, from Class 3BA, spent her weekend showing how much she wants to help our school. With a great deal of baking and and a brilliant cake sale, she has raised £60 to support the playground improvement fund. What a fantastic citizen she is!



Twelve children from Newbridge travelled to the University of Bath to take part in a Schools' Multi-Skill Festival, on Tuesday. The schools took over the big Sports Hall in the Sports Training Village and took part in various events lead by Team Bath coaches. In the morning, there were tennis, football and movement games. After a lunch, which was spent watching athletes training in the gym, we moved to the indoor running track for some athletics. There were sessions of hurdles, javelin throwing and long jump. All the schools then took part in fun relay races. The excellent day finished outdoors with a run around the 400m running track.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and were excited and enthusiastic throughout. They listened well to the coaches and tried their best at each activity, finishing the day tired, but happy!

Mr Seaborne



Year 3 and Year 4 visit the University of Bath for a Multi-Skill Festival



Year 3 completing a gymnastics lesson



The Year 3 have been working on balancing and rolling in gymnastics. This week, they held a V balance for 5 seconds before rolling into another balance. What amazingly strong gymnasts we have.





Year 6 visit



The Library is open after school daily until 4pm, run by a group of parents and their children - the library volunteers!

This term, there will be regular story times on a Friday after school, when announced.

Throughout Term 3 and Term 4, we'll be running a book cover design competition open to all children and their preschool siblings. Please deliver your entries to the library. Don't forget to write your name and class on your designs. Closing date 24th February.

We're working on sorting and improving our library book selection. If you can help us by donating any of these wish list book titles, please drop them into the library:

Boy, Everywhere, A.M. Dassu

The Boy Who Met a Whale, Nizrana Farook

Danny Chung Does Not Do Maths, Maisie Chan

Anisha, Accidental Detective, Serena Patel

Me, My Dad, and the End of the Rainbow, Benjamin Dean

An Alien in the Jam Factory, Chrissie Sains

The Night the Moon Went Out, Samantha Bains

Gaspard the Fox, James Mayhew,

Llama Glamarama, Simon James Green

The Proudest Blue, Ibtihaj Muhammed

Keep an eye out for more library updates - The Library Volunteers

OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT THE WILDWOOD

NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Our February 2023 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, with assistance from Bridget, Ellie and Dan.

Sarah is an experienced Forest School leader based in Bath, with DBS disclosure, First Aid training and public liability insurance. The site at The Wildwood and all activities are risk-assessed.

Mon 13th

Fully booked

(waiting list is being held)

Tues 14th

Fully booked

Wed 15th

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: £76 per child
3 day booking: £ 36 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 and there are limited spaces for under 8's in line with required ratios.



UK Health
Security
Agency



Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for **health protection in schools** or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.