

# NEWBRIDGE

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Monday 19th February Start of Term 4

Tuesday 20th February Forest School 4B

Wednesday 21st February Forest School 2M

> Friday 23rd February Feel Good Friday

Wednesday 26th February to Monday 4th March Book Fair

> Tuesday 27th February Forest School 4T

Wednesday 28th February Forest School 2R

> Monday 4th March **Book Week**

Tuesday 5th March Forest School 4B

Wednesday 6th March

Forest School 2M 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

Tuesday 12th March Forest School 4T

Wednesday 13th March Forest School 2R

Friday 15th March EYFS Assembly 2.40pm

Tuesday 19th March **NPSA Meeting** Forest School 4B

Wednesday 20th March Forest School 2M

Thursday 21st March Parents' Evening online

Tuesday 26th March Parents' Evening online Forest School 4T Wednesday 27th March

Forest School 2R Thursday 28th March

**Express Yourself Day** End of Term 4

For Term Dates please look <u>here</u>

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

We have reached the end of Term 3 and are now, unbelieveably, half way through the academic year. The children deserve their half term break as they have applied themselves to their learning and a wide range of activities with 100% commitment.

Internet Safety Day: The children have all been made aware of the importance of keeping safe online, again, this week. Below, for parents, there is an online safety newsletter which provides helpful links to advise parents around supporting their children to be safe when using the internet and gaming. For those who were unable to join a recent meeting held by Knowsley for parents about online safety, please find a link to the recording here.

Celebrating Henry's culinary skills: We enjoy knowing about and celebrating what the children do out of school, including past pupils. Read on below for a great write-up by Henry, from Class 6N, about his winning culinary skills when competing in a recent team event with three past Newbridge pupils. Well done, Henry (and Bess, Amuri and Bill) – we look forward to hearing what happens next.

A warm welcome: This week we have enjoyed welcoming Samantha, who has joined Class 1G. We very much hope that she and her family will soon feel a part of our school community. We also welcome Mrs Derrien as a member of our teaching team, as she commences her role in Class 5HB, due to Mrs Berridge taking

Year 1 Space Day: If you had chance to glimpse sight of the wonderfully created alien and space outfits worn by Year 1 earlier this week, you too would have been so impressed. The children had great fun and were excited to role-play and learn about constellations and the solar system. Thank you so much to the parents and carers for supporting a memorable day for the children.

Year 5 Egyptian Day: It has been quite a week of creative learning. Year 5 were immersed in their learning about the Egyptians on Tuesday – they made Egyptian recipes, created clay pots and even mummified a fish! 'Wow' days are held at the start or end of an enquiry, to launch or celebrate new learning.

PE and Forest School days from Term 4: Some PE days will change from the start of Term 4. Year 2 and Year 4 will also swap their Forest School day. Please see a grid below, detailing the changes.

Poetry and Performance Week: In the week beginning Monday 4th March, we will be celebrating all things related to words and drama through a 'Poetry and Performance Week'. A letter was sent out earlier today detailing the activities planned for this week and a poetry competition for the children to take part in. On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, the children are invited to wear their pyjamas to school for World Book Day.

Bath City Farm: I am very sure many families have visited Bath City Farm, however, if not, perhaps it could be a half term visit. As a charity, it affords free entry and is a beautiful, safe space for families to play and wander, whilst seeing animals up close. This term, we were fortunate to secure regular visits to the farm, supported by Natural England. With use of our own mini-bus, the children were delighted to engage in the sessions each week. Feeding and handling the animals was the biggest hit – with the chickens and goats being the firm favourites. Thank you to Sadie, from Bath City Farm, for welcoming us each week and for ensuring such a positive and fun time was had by all.

Children's Mental Health Week: The week is national Children's Mental Health Week, with the theme, 'My voice matters'. The children's mental health charity, Place2Be, set up Children's Mental Health Week to highlight the importance of mental health for children and young people. For further information please see this website Children's Mental Health Week.

Lost Property: Please can all parents and carers check the mounds of lost property we hold in school. For the Upper Schoool, this is hung on the two rows of pegs immediately inside the Upper School Cloakroom. For the Lower School, this is in a red box in the Lower School Hall.

Thank you: Thank you for the kind words of condolence which have been expressed to Mrs Amor, and Maisie and Lucy - two former Newbridge girls, this week, following the death of Mr Matt Amor. She is comforted by the love shown by the whole Newbridge community. By request, a collection for Mrs Amor and the girls, from past and present Newbridge parents, has been started. Here is the link should you wish to contribute. This has been a very difficult week in school and the staff team are also grateful for the care and understanding that has been expressed towards them.

Wishing you a really great half term.

Best wishes, Gill Kennaugh

# A HEADTEACHER MENTION



Duncan C, from Class 1EO, made this model of the Solar System after being inspired by their enquiry this term, all about Space.

The photograph isn't able to depict just how clever his design is.! Duncan was supported in making this with the help of his sister, Sunny, from Class 4T.

Well done Duncan, you are a learning superstar!



# **STARS OF THE WEEK**



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*	Ladybirds – Sienna S, Emily K	Bees – Ethan H, Atharv K
*	IEO – Toby D, Nancy F	1G – Agnes W, Praise F
*	2M – Mya W, Henry J	2R – Sophia A, Louis R
*	30G – Nell W, Anouk H	3BA – Whole class
*	4B – Anisa G, Chloe G	<b>4T</b> – Kameron B, Niki P
*	5HB – Chloe G, Harry B	5F – James W, Rufus O
*	6KR – Elisa P, Harry R	6N – Beau B, Zoe M

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# **MASTER CHEF SUCCESS**

On Sunday 4 February I entered into the Scouts' Avon County cooking competition.

I was in a group representing the 69th Bath with Bess, Bill and Amuri (all former Newbridge students). The theme was the Olympics and we had to create a three course meal. We prepared by having a meeting to share our ideas, which agreed the menu, and we also did a practice session. We had two hours to complete our cooking only using camp equipment like a gas stove.

We made a Greek salad (starter), a pork Souvlaki in a pitta filled with salad and for dessert a Greek style cheesecake topped with fresh figs. The judges came to look whilst we were cooking and then after eating the meal they had a discussion about who was going to win. It was a really close result, with one point in it.... and we won!!! Everyone in my group was awarded a trophy and a certificate and we are off to the South West regional competition, soon. My favourite part was smashing the biscuits to make the cheesecake base - and eating what we made, it was delicious!

Henry H, Class 6N





Well done Henry, Bess, Bill and Amuri – what incredible chefs we have in our midst.

Please let us know if you need any taste testers!

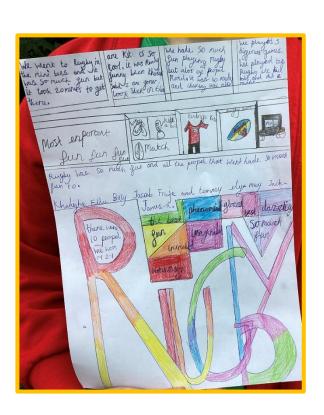


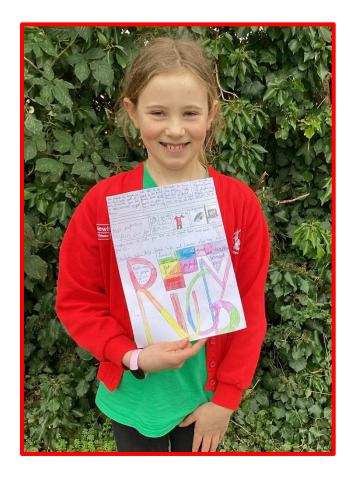
# Tag Rugby at Walcot Rugby Club

The team:
Ellie-Mae H, Jack B,
Tommy E, James R,
Jacob H, Billy F,
Khadeja K and Ella R



Ella R, Class 4B, designed this brilliant poster to celebrate the successes of the Tag Rugby Match at Walcot Rugby Club.





# Year 5 Egyptian Day

On Tuesday, Year 5 enjoyed an incredibly immersive Ancient Egyptian day, during which they were able to sample Egyptian cuisine, create pottery, learn about the mummification process and produce models of inventions created thousands of years ago.



The day began with the children

working together in teams to prepare the ingredients needed to create a delicious Egyptian mezze. Each group sliced onions, garlic and tomatoes, before they added lemon juice and cumin. The mixture was then combined with chickpeas and simmered in a tomato sauce. The children enjoyed the dish with warm flatbreads!



After break, the children began designing their own canopic jars in the image of one of the four 'sons of Horus'; Imsety, Hapy, Duamutef, and Qebehsenuef. Whilst the children produced their work using air drying clay, they learned about the significance of each god and how the gods related to the different organs found within the human body.

At various points during the day, the children took part in a range of other activities linked to Ancient Egypt including; assembling a pharaoh mask, creating a death mask for a fish and constructing a paper model of a shaduf.

In the afternoon, the children observed Pharaoh Handson mummifying a fish; talking the children through each step of the process as he treated the body with natron salt, Nile water and magical amulets, before the fish was stuffed and wrapped in linen. It was explained that the four different canopic jars were used to hold certain organs that were removed during the process. Finally, the children



were also introduced to "Tuna-Khamun" a previously mummified fish, who is now celebrating his 10<sup>th</sup> birthday!

# Year 1 Space Day

On Monday we had Space Day in Year 1. First we ordered the solar system. Then we were training like an astronaut. My favourite activity was making the saucers.

By Ava L-R

Yesterday it was Space Day in 1EO and 1G. The first thing I did was space craft. Next I did space training. Finally I did a constellation. I had a great day!

By Olly









# Oldfield Sports Leadership Netball Coaching



Last week, Year 6 children welcomed sixth form students from Oldfield School, who are taking part in a sports leadership programme. They ran a series of short sessions based on netball skills, which the children thoroughly enjoyed.





#### **Volunteering in School**

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





Established by the UK Safer Internet Centre (<u>UKSIC</u>), Safer Internet Day is celebrated around the world. This year, on Tuesday 6th February 2024, it will be celebrated with the theme:

Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online.

MY CHILD KEEPS ASKING TO PLAY A GAME, OR DOWNLOAD AN APP THAT I DON'T KNOW ABOUT, WHAT CAN I DO?

Click <u>here</u> to access some useful websites that cover gaming and app information about age ratings, content, in app purchases and connecting with other users.

#### WHO INFLUENCES MY CHILD?

An influencer is someone who shares their ideas/opinions and may be paid to promote certain products on social media.

The NSPCC have created an article detailing all you need to know about influencers.



The influencers of influencers
What you need to know about online influencers
NSPCC

#### **BFING KIND ONLINE**

An excellent set of videos and resources (created by the <u>BBC</u>) for parents and children about how to make the internet a kinder place.



# PE Days and Forest School Days for Term 4 to Term 6

	PE	PE	Forest School
Reception	Wednesday		Monday
Year 1	Tuesday	Friday	
Year 2	Monday	Thursday	Wednesday (alternate weeks)
Year 3	Wednesday	Thursday	
Year 4	Tuesday (when not	Thursday	Tuesday (alternate weeks)
	Forest School)		
Year 5	Monday	Wednesday	
Year 6	Wednesday	Friday	

Class 2M will have Forest School on 21<sup>st</sup> February Class 2R will have Forest School on 28<sup>th</sup> March Class 4B will have Forest School on 20<sup>th</sup> February Class 4T will have Forest School on 27<sup>th</sup> February







Thank you to everyone who came along to our last dance session of the term— it was **GREAT!**Sessions will continue next term, each Friday morning at 8.10am until 8.40am.





## **Google Classroom**

Please read the 'blog' posted on your child's Google Classroom today, telling you about the class learning and activities. There was an increased number of comments and interactions last week, which we are grateful for. The teachers take additional time to complete the posts weekly and therefore it is important that we know this work is useful and valued.

# **Requests for Mojo Moves Free Dance Session**

Please email the School Office at <a href="mailto:enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk">enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk</a>
with requests for music at the next
Everyone Active Mojo Moves dance session, on Friday.

## **Inset Days 2024/25**

These are the five Inset Days (days when the children do not attend school) for the academic year 2024/25.

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024 Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025 Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025

## **Lost Property**

Please look at the pegs inside the Upper School Cloakroom and the red box inside the Lower School Hall – there is so much that must be claimed.

### **Position Available: Clerk to the Governors**

We are looking for someone with administrative skills who can manage information effectively and sensitively. The successful candidate will be required to:

- 1. Prepare meeting agendas
- 2. Take minutes
- 3. Maintain an electrical filing system
- 4. Manage the governing body's needs and keep up to date with statutory requirements

The role does require some flexibility. Meetings mostly take place in the evenings on prearranged dates within the school year.

Salary - £1200 per year.

Please contact NPSGovernors@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk for further details.



# **Pancake Party!**

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2pm to 5pm

£1 from each pancake sold with be donated to

The NPSA

Face Painting, mini disco & crafts at the

The Locksbrook Inn



### **Calling all Year 4 to Year 6 competitive Table Tennis players**

Parents and carers can access the online form and register directly with the organiser.

Players need their own bat and dark clothing.

Any questions/queries, please email to junior@kesbath.com

Please <u>click on this link</u> to book your child a place in the tournament





