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Term 3

Monday 3rd February
Parents to look at books
3.15pm – 4pm
Tuesday 4th February
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Wednesday 5th February
Parent and Teacher Meetings
Tuesday 11th February
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Friday 14th February
End of Term 3

Term 4

Monday 24th February Start of Term 4 Tuesday 25th February **Book Fair Week** Friday 28th February EYFS Egg Theatre Trip NPSA Cake Sale Wednesday 5th March Year 4 Roman Baths Visit Thursday 6th March World Book Day Friday 7th March NPSA Cake and Uniform Sale Wednesday 12th March Year 5 Residential Meeting 3:30pm Friday 14th March

2.40pm
Tuesday 18th March
NPSA Meeting
Friday 21st March
Bee Class Assembly 2.40pm
Monday 24th March

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Clubs finish this week
Tuesday 25th March
NPSA Meeting
Friday 28th 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 27th June Tuesday 22nd July Please <u>click here</u> for the terms dates. Dear Parents and Carers,

Young Voices – what an extravaganza! 112 choir members attended Young Voices at the BP Pulse Live Arena in Birmingham on Wednesday. What a breathtaking experience this was for everyone – performers, staff, volunteers and families. It was a day and night we will all remember.

For many months, the children have committed to learning the songs and dance movements, both at home and through their attendance at choir rehearsals. Their investment paid off when they could perform with joy with over 5,000 other school children and to a packed arena. We are extremely proud of every single child who took part and who stepped up to this challenge. Undoubtedly, this experience will have instilled confidence and the belief that anything is possible. It was a long day, having set of at 9.15am and with the coaches not returning to school until midnight, however, the children remained in high spirits throughout. It was a true pleasure to have enabled this opportunity. It could not have happened without the support of the school staff and volunteers. Thank you, sincerely, to Mrs Best who has led on Young Voices since September, but who passed the reins to Mrs Keep, on her first day of covering Mrs Best's materinity absence! Mrs Dinsdale, Mrs Amor and Mr Newman accompanied the trip, too. Our volunteers, who committed to the day deserve huge thanks; we appreciated their time and care greatly, and we could not have managed without them – Miss Page, Mrs Ficquet, Joe Laishley, Mrs Clarke, Mrs Slowgrove, Mrs Aliri and Mrs Stacey. Parents who travelled to watch the performance were also buzzing with what they had experienced. The performance by the children's choir and guest artists, including MC Grammar, Tommy Blaize, Souparnika Nair and Urban Strides, was electric. We have received some lovely emails and kind words of appreciation for holding the trip and we are grateful for these, but please know that being able to provide this opportunity for the children comes with a huge amount of joy for us, too. Thank you, again, to everyone who made the day possible let's do it again, in two years' time!

Learn a New Skill Day: Today, the whole school focused on learning a new skill. The children mixed by House Teams experienced different activities throughout the day. These ranged from bird watching, to yoga, to Zumba, to animation, to mindfulness activities, to dance, to team building, to drama and art, with much more in between, The whole school has been a hive of excitement. We will share photographs next week.

Junior Leadership Team: Applications are now open for the next round of the JLT (Junior Leadership Team). All information and the application process has been published on Google Classroom with some slides below, too. This is for years 1 to 6.

Open Classrooms: The classrooms will be open to all parents from 3.20pm to 4.00pm today, Monday 3rd Fand Tuesday 4th February. This is an opportunity for parents and carers to view pupil books. There is no need to book for these sessions and we politely ask that all visitors are respectful of the environment and resources.

Parent/Teacher Meetings: Online Parent/Teacher Meetings are being held on Wednesday 5th February or Tuesday 11th February. Mr Bacon, our SENDCo, will also be available on these dates. The booking system is now open, so please remember to sign up to one meeting per child, per family. The meetings are held online to enable parents to join from different locations, to ensure every parent's meeting is equal in length, and to support teacher workload.

Thank you, NPSA: Thank you for all of the donations for the cake sale, today. These were greatly appreciated. In support of the NPSA, very kindly, ten parents and staff have signed up for the Bath Half, being held in March. Details of who is running and how to sponsor them, is below.

Staffing: This week it has been a pleasure to welcome Mrs Berridge back to work following maternity leave. She will teach in Class 5HK. Mrs Keep has been covering this leave, and now she will take over from Mrs Best and teach Class 4BA on a Monday, and all of the Music for the Upper School.

Collecting children for appointments: If a child has to be collected for an afternoon appointment, please collect at 12pm or 1pm. This way, the child will not be at lunch/on the playground.

Dropping off at school: If using the Newbridge Hill entrance, please can parents of Lower School children walk their child as far as the office, so that we know they will reach their classroom safely.

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.

With best wishes, Gill Kennaugh

★STARS OF THE WEEK

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1DO – Alys J, Jessica T

20G – Ava M, Olly H

3DE – Finley H, Heidi T

4B – Whole Class

5HK – Anisa G, Otis H

6KR – James W, Rhed M

Ladybirds - Ava C, Jaxon H

1G - Ayaz H, Phoebe P

2R -Eddy S, Fleur D

3M – Jacob SG, Xanthi D

4BA - Whole Class

5F – Jem C, Olivia K

6N – Bethan T, Ella M

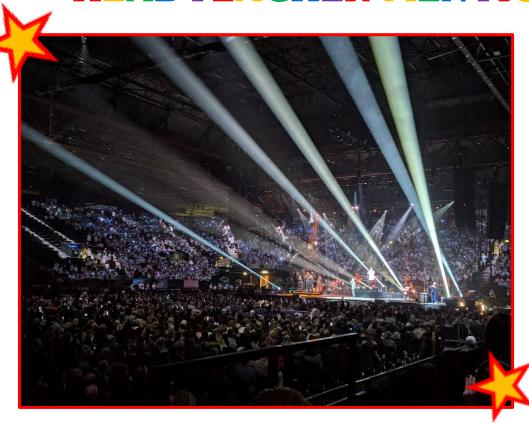
PE Stars of the Week:

Chloe G Class 6N, Ruby E Class 6N

Music Stars of the Week:

Everyone who participated in Young Voices

HEADTEACHER MENTION



Everyone who rehearsed for Young Voices 2025!

YOUNG VOICES 2025















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Thank you to everyone who made Young Voices 2025 possible. It was a day and night to remember.

Sparkles and Buzzers in Year 5







This week the children in Class 5HK and Class 5F collaborated to create vehicles using Crumble controllers. Crumble controllers are electronics controllers that connect to a computer using a USB cable. The children assembled circuits that included motors, 'sparkles' (multi-coloured LED's) and buzzers. The children learned how to link the controllers to the laptops in order to upload different algorithms (programming instructions). The children absolutely loved the task and finished the project with an exciting race!





Winter Festival of Sport for Year 2



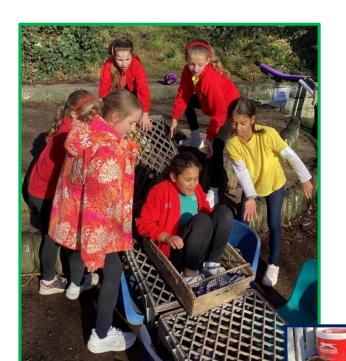
On Wednesday, Year 2 were invited to take part in the Sports Festival at Oldfield School. We set off at lunchtime to walk there and were greeted by the Sports Ambassadors. They lead the ten activities on the top playground which involved tag rugby, football, jumping, throwing, catching, etc. The weather was kind and it was lovely to spend a whole afternoon outside. The Newbridge children were really well behaved, as always, demonstrating our school values.







OPAL This Week



Our OPAL journey has continued in earnest this week with children embracing all sorts of imaginative, creative and collaborative play across the school site.

Water World has seen creative water course buildings erected. The Play Pod has seen loose parts used in the Upper School for den building, role playing and even the creation of a slide!

The Lower School has seen children digging their hearts out in Digger World, venturing into the new Garden to explore and being creative in their new Art World.

A massive thanks to Mr Clark and the Play Team for their continued hard work and commitment to make lunchtimes fun and engaging for all our children.

Please keep supporting your child's OPAL journey by making sure they are attending school every day with a warm waterproof jacket with a hood.









Counter Balance in Year 6

Year 6 have been working hard on the topic of 'Counter Balance' for the last two weeks, exploring how they can work collaboratively in pairs and small groups to create balances with total stillness and great body tension.





















JLT Needs You!



...to join the Junior Leadership Team!

JLT Members are elected by the pupils in their class to*:

- Go to meetings and take part in discussions.
- Let the class know what was discussed at meetings.
- Take the views of classmates to the JLT.
- Be involved in projects that the JLT runs.

Inside the brain of a JLT member...



*Mrs O'Gara, Mr Bacon and other staff will draw up a short-list for each class based on the application

I'm interested in joining the JLT! How do I apply?

Think about what would make you a great member of JLT. The information here should help you. You can apply in writing, by making a PowerPoint slide show, or by recording a short sound file or video which would be uploaded to Google Classroom*.

Applications Need to be submitted into your Google Classroom Folder by Sunday 2nd February 20251







OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL February 2025







Holiday Club provides 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 either Jonny Houston or Claire Pickman, both experienced Forest School leaders, with DBS disclosure, First Aid training and public liability insurance. The site and all activities are risk-assessed.

Dates: Tuesday 18th, Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th February

Time: 9.00am – 4.00pm

Cost: 1st booking: £40

2nd day or 2nd child: £38

Please note, payment will be asked for at time of booking

Booking essential: Please email Lesley on musiclch@yahoo.co.uk for a booking form.

Spaces are limited to 20 children per day.

Your booking will be confirmed once your completed booking form and

payment have been received.

Please bring: Weather appropriate clothing, morning snack, packed lunch and a

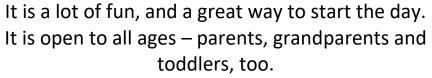
water bottle. Campfire snacks will be provided in the afternoon







Everyone, Mojo Moves is back!



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







