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Wednesday 26th February to Monday 4th March Book Fair

> Monday 4th March Book Week

Wednesday 6th March Year 5 Residential Meeting at 3:30pm

Thursday 7th March Year 6 Residential Meeting online at 5pm

World Book Day

Friday 8th March Year 4 Roman Baths Visit NPSA Cake Sale and Bingo Night

Monday 11th, Wednesday 13th and Friday 15th March

Parents to view books 3.20pm to 4.00pm

Clubs finish this week

Tuesday 12th March Year 1 Westonbirt Trip

Friday 15th March EYFS Assembly 2.40pm

Tuesday 19th March NPSA Meeting 7pm

Thursday 21st March Parents' Evening online

Friday 22nd March Year 4 Assembly 2.30pm

Tuesday 26th March Parents' Evening online

Wednesday 27th March EYFS Egg Theatre Trip

Thursday 28th March Express Yourself Day End of Term 4

Term 5

Monday 15th April Start of Term 5

Wed 17th – Fri 19th April Year 5 Great Wood Residential

Sunday 21st April NPSA Bounce-a-long and Table Top Sale at 10am

Friday 26th April Year 1 Assembly 2.40pm

Tuesday 30th April NPSA Meeting at 7pm

> Monday 6th May Bank Holiday

For Term Dates please look <u>here</u> **Dear Parents and Carers**

We hope you have had a good week. Again, we have so much to share and celebrate across the school and this newsletter is only some of our updates. Please remember to read the 'blog' posted on your child's Google Classroom today, telling you about the class learning and activities from this week. Last week, 12% of the school engaged with the 'blog' and we would like this percentage to be higher, if possible. The blog came about due to feedback in a parent questionnaire which said that parents wanted to know more about what was taught over the course of the week. If you are unsure of how to log on to Google Classroom, or have misplaced the password, please contact the school office. Leaving a simple thumbs-up, in reaction to the 'blog' would be be great.

Poetry and Performance Week: Next week, from Monday 4th March, we will be celebrating all things related to words and drama through a 'Poetry and Performance Week'. Monday's whole school assembly is planned to be a highlight, with a poetry recital. Year 6 will perform poems they have written along with staff members and whole year groups. The foucus on poetry and words will continue with story swaps and the very talented Ms Card, as a story teller. Thursday is World Book Day and the children are invited to wear their pyjamas to school for World Book Day. On Friday, we will celebrate the success of the week, by joining together, again, as a whole school to share poerty that has been created over the course of the week. Alongside this, the Book Fair will continue to be available in the Upper School Foyer, after school, until Monday.

Year 4 Football Tournament: If you thought the FA Cup was exciting, you were not at Odd Down Sports Ground on Tuesday for the tournament of the season! I won't spoil the fun here, but please read below for a thrilling report written by Mr Farrier, our fantastic football coach. The Year 4 team; Charlie, Sam, Harith, Tommy, Eddy, Arthur, Ben, Otis and Jack competed in the B&NES Schools' Football Tournament and it was a day they will never forget!

Parents' Evening and viewing children's learning: Prior to online Parents' Evening consultations, parents and carers are invited to view the children's learning on Monday 11th, Wednesday 13th or Friday 15th March from 3.20pm to 4.00pm. On Friday 8th March at 7.00pm, the booking system for the online Parents' Evening consultations will be opened on School Cloud and details about how to book an appointment were sent this week. The online consultations will be held on Thursday 21st March and Tuesday 26th March from 2.30pm to 5.50pm and we ask that all parents make an appointment. Following the consulation, a mid-year progress report will be sent to all parents and carers.

Mobile Phone Policy: Whilst the government has published guidance for all schools to help manage pupil mobile phones in schools, our policy remains the same. Children should only ever have a phone in school for the purpose of supporting independence when walking to and from school, without an adult. This should therefore only apply to the older children – those in Year 5 and Year 6. The phone must be turned off before entering the school gate and must immediately be handed to the class teacher on arrival in the classroom. The phone must not be turned on until having left the school site. Parents must not use the phone as a way of sharing collection arrangements, as all messages relating to this should be through the school office before 10am and only after this time in an emergency situation. If a child turns their phone on, on the school site, it will be confiscated by a member of staff, until the parent collects it. Please note that the school cannot be held responsible for the security of pupils' mobile phones at any time. This policy has been clearly explained to the children in Year 5 and Year 6 and we ask for your full support in upholding it.

Congratulations! We were delighted to hear that Mrs Berridge gave birth to a baby boy last Friday. We send many congratulations to Mrs Berridge, her husband and their daughter.

Big Bath Sleep Out: Good luck to our incredible Newbridge citizens who have chosen to take part in the Big Bath Sleep Out, tonight, raising awareness of homelessness and funds for Julian House. Sonny, Bethan, Isabelle and Dylan, all from Year 5, will sleep in Alice Park with only cardboard and a tarpaulin for shelter. This challenge comes on the back of their Cake and Cookie Sale last Saturday, for the same cause. In total, with sponsorship, they have now raised £485. Aren't they amazing and such positive role models to us all?

Our NPSA: There are a number of events and activities on the horizon, planned by our dedicated NPSA members. Friday 8th March sees a Cake and Uniform Sale in the Upper School Hall after school and also an Adult Bingo night, from 7pm, with tickets for this fun evening available here. On Sunday 21st April there is a 'Bounce-a-long' inflatable session and a Table Top Sale, from 10am. On Tuesday 30th April, an NPSA meeting will be held at 7pm and on Sunday 17th May it is the annual Fun Run on the school field. Thank you, sincerely, to everyone who is making these events happen, and therefore supporting our school and our community.

Thank you for your continued support and best wishes for a lovely weekend.

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Ladybirds – Ivy S, Emma R

1EO – Bonnie H-H, Phoebe H

2M – Ava B, Finlay H

30G – Ivy C, Khaleesi M

4B - Naleen Y, Grace B

5HB – Henry N, Dylan B

6KR – Amelie L, Millie M

Bees - Elliot F, Arabella T

1G – Stella N, Effie W

2R - Theo C, Jacob S-G

3BA – Audrey B, Ben T

4T – Nikki P, Charlie R

5F – Maddie H, Tymofii L

6N – Henry H, Beau B

Music Stars of the Week

Arthur L, Class 4B Tymofii L, Class 5F

PE Stars of the Week

Aria S, Class 3OG Saskia H, Class 3OG

PE Player of the Match

Eddie M, Class 4B

HEADTEACHER MENTION

To tie in with this term's enquiry 'What can we learn from the past?' Jem, from Class 4T, created this wonderful scale model of a Roman villa, at home.

Not only has Jem demonstrated excellent modelling skills, he has also demonstrated, in talking about the model, his in-depth knowledge and understanding of how the Romans lived.

Jem, you continue to be a learning superstar!



FEEL GOOD FRIDAY

Last Friday, there was another 'Feel Good Friday' and we loved it! The theme this month is 'Being a Buddy' and we spent time with our buddies taking part in collaborative activities.

Year 1 and 4,

Year 2 and 5 and

Year 3 and 6.

EYFS spent time thinking about what being a buddy means to them. We loved hearing the laughter and seeing the smiles as they spent time connecting with each other.

"I'M ENJOYING BEING WITH MY BUDDY, HAVING FUN AND LEARNING NEW COMPUTING SKILLS!" ANOUK, Y3









1"M ENJOYING THE FACT I CAN SPEND SOME 1:1 TIME WITH MY BUDDY! I'M REALLY GETTING TO KNOW HER BETTER WITHIN THE COMPUTING SESSION.' ZELDA, Y6





I'M FINDING IT FUN HOW
I CAN TEACH MY BUDDIES
HOW TO LEARN AND
PLAY ON DIFFERENT
ONLINE PLATFORMS AND
THEV'RE REALLY
ENJOYING IT!
SEB, Y6

'I'M ENJOYING SPENDING TIME WITH MY BUDDY. SHE'S KIND AND IS HELPING ME WITH MY LEARNING.' AUDREY, Y3





Table Tennis Success

Another great success for Louie A, from Class 6N and Tom M, fromClass 6KR who competed in a Table Tennis competition at the weekend.

It was very challenging as they were up against children older than them, but they were resilient and both came joint 3rd in the competition, winning 5 straight games.

Well done, boys!



Year 4 English and Art Work



Khadeja K and Iben G, from Class 4B, have been studying Cubism, and created these stunning designs.

They were also asked to review a book in English last week and they had to persuade a friend to read it. Unsurprisingly, they were successful.

Well done, girls.

Year 4 B&NES Schools' Football Tournament



Newbridge Year 4 TOURNAMENT WINNERS!

Tuesday was a memorable day at Odd Down as nine of our Year 4 boys WON the B&NES Schools' Football Tournament! With 16 schools and over 150 players taking part, this was an incredible achievement.

The team played 6 fixtures – over 1 ½ hours of football – and did not concede a single goal. This was largely down to some determined defending from Eddie, Otis and Team Captain, Charlie, and outstanding goalkeeping from Sam.

Supported by the defence, our midfielders and strikers used skill, pace and energy to score 8 goals in total. The link-up play between Arthur, Tommy, Jack, Harith and Ben was great to watch, and demonstrated how well the boys play as a team.

Having got through the group stages, the Quarter Final saw Newbridge once again drawn against Moorlands (who we haven't had a great record against!). But, a goal from Ben a few minutes from the end, and hard work from Charlie, Otis, Eddie and Sam in defence/goal, got the team to the Semis. There we met a very strong WASPS team. Every player had to work their socks off, including through an additional 5 minutes of extra time, where it ended 0 - 0. A penalty shoot-out saw goals from Tommy, Arthur and Harith, and thanks to a great save from Sam, we were into the final!

Playing Pensford School, the match was end to end and very tense. Following a foul, Newbridge had a free kick on the edge of the area. Clever thinking from Tommy, who everyone thought would shoot, saw him pass the ball to an unmarked Harith who swept the ball into the goal, to the cheers of all the supporting parents. More hard work carried the team through to the final whistle, with Charlie lifting the trophy on behalf of Newbridge Primary School.

HUGE congratulations to Sam, Charlie, Otis, Eddie, Arthur, Tommy, Ben, Jack and Harith. Worthy winners, and great ambassadors of NPS!

Thank you very much, indeed, to Mr Farrier who has coached the team and enabled the boys to have such a memorable day.





"The whole team enjoyed every game they played, especially the game against WASPS, as we know a few players from their team. Sam did an incredible job at saving the penalties and we all worked well as a team. Interestingly, we all played in different positions than we were used to and this tactic clearly paid off. Well done team!"

Jack T and Arthur L, Class 4B







Everyone Active

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







Dylan, Isobel, Sonny and Bethan (Class 5HB) are all doing the Big Bath Sleep-Out tonight, Friday 1st March, to raise awareness of homelessness and funds for Julian House.

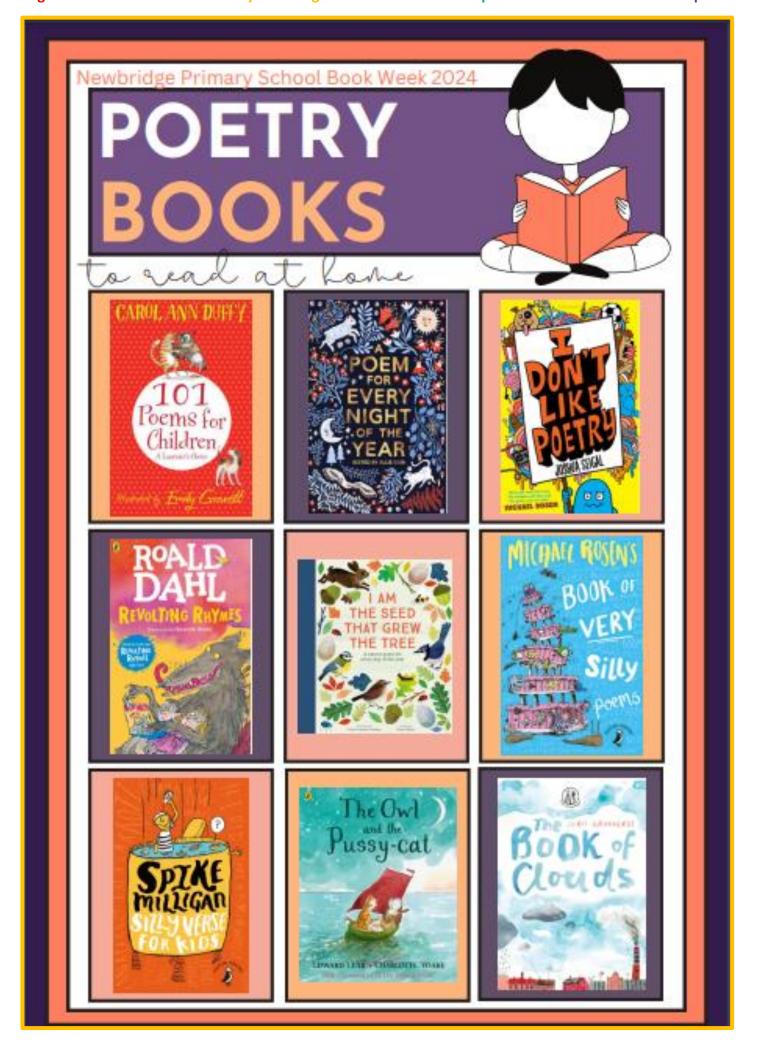
This is the link to their fundraising page, should you wish to support this worthy cause:

https://julianhouse.enthuse.com/pf/te a m-rozzy



Poetry and Performance Week







POETRY COMPETITION

Anisa G, from Class 4B, has been working hard on her poem for the Poetry Competition.

Don't forget to submit your poems to the class teacher by Friday 8th March.

The winners will be announced in the whole school assembly the following Monday.

Please contact the office, or go to the library, if you would like a copy of the entry sheet.

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 enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk
with requests for music at the next
Everyone Active Mojo Moves dance session, on Friday.

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.

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





