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Term 4

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

Monday 13th May Year 6 SATS Week

Friday 17th May Year 3 Assembly

Sunday 19th May Family Fun Run

Monday 20th May Year 6 Kilve Court Residential

> Friday 24th May Year 5 Assembly End of Term 5

For Term Dates please look here

Inset Days 24/25

Monday 2nd September 2024 Friday

25th October 2024

Monday 6th January 2025

Friday 27th June 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

School life continues to be busy – we love all of the enriching experiences we are able to provide for our children – from trips out to visitors welcomed in. We are also grateful for the volunteer support offered by our parents and carers – as many of these experiences would not be possible without it; thank you.

Year 4 Assembly Today, we had another treat when both Year 4 classes performed to their parents and carers and the Upper School children all about the Romans. Seeing children engaging with confidence, enjoying the opportunity to perform, showing off their talents and loving their learning – it's what we all want to see. It was amazing – such a joy, and the atmosphere in the hall was electric. Well done, Year 4 – we are so proud of you. Well done, also, to Mrs Bartlett and Mrs Talley for co-ordinating the show to include 60 pupils.

Dance Umbrella Extravaganza I hope that everyone who was able to watch the Year 6 Dance Umbrella performance on Tuesday night, at The Forum, were wowed. Our Year 6 children filled not only the stage, but the whole auditorium with their energy, style, pizzaz and talent. They were all simply incredible! With a dance skillfully choreographed by Mrs Bartlett and Mrs O'Gara, the children had the time of their lives. They were buzzing, and we were, too. Thank you to our dedicated teachers for organising this opportunity, to all of the families for providing the costumes and for supporting our exemplary children. It was the best!

Collaborating with other schools I have mentioned before that we work closely with the other maintained schools in B&NES, to support our school improvement. As the B&NES Maintained Schools Hub, we are also a part of the South Gloucestershire Alliance, and this collaborative work affords excellent professional development, opportunities and support across the Local Authorities. Throughout the year activities and events are organised; in recent weeks we have hosted a Modern Foreign Languages monitoring visit, we have visited St John's Primary School to discuss Reading, we have visited a school in Gloucestershire to review Phonics, we have been involved in peer reviews with two of our schools in the form of a monitoring learning walk and, in addition, governors from the schools have undertaken training in their roles as subject link governors. In the upcoming weeks, we will meet as a Hub to moderate assessment in writing, we will engage in a Computing monitoring visit and be involved in training with the schools about SEND. We value this collaboration greatly.

Boys' Football v Moorlands Juniors The boys' team was in action again, yesterday, when they took on Moorlands, away. We are grateful to Mr Farrier and Mr Wallace for having arranged a mini-league with other local schools. Please read on for a full match report. We'd also like to offer a shout-out to Barney P who has been unable to play recently, although went along to support the team.

Defibrillators on site Please be aware that there are three defibrillators on our school site, for anyone to access in an emergency. They are kept in each of the Medical Rooms in the Upper School and the Lower School and also in the main office.

Parents' Evening Thank you to those parents who joined the online meetings this week. We hope they proved helpful. The next meetings are on Tuesday 26th March. Please note that you will receive a reminder one hour prior to a booked appointment. Please remember that if joining from separate locations, the parent or carer who booked the meeting will need to add the email address of the other parent/carer to system.

Extra-Curricular Activities The new clubs for Term 5 and Term 6 were issued this week. Please check out all that is on offer, and sign up – we believe that the children having access to these activities further enriches their learning experiences. The clubs will start the week commencing 29th April and will finish the week commencing 1st July. If your child is eligible for Free School Meals by benefit, please note that they are able to access any fee paying club free of charge – please email the office with the club preferences.

'Express Yourself' Day On Thursday 28th March, the children are invited to take part in 'Express Yourself' day, in return for a £1 donation for the NPSA. Children can wear their own clothes, dye their hair, wear nail varnish, etc. All clothing and shoes must be safe and appropriate. It is fine for children to choose not to take part.

Lost Property Before the end of term, please check through the large amount of lost property in the Upper School Cloakroom and the red box in the Lower School Hall.

Google Classroom Thank you to those who engaged with Google Classroom last week; this was 19% of our school, in line with last week's figure. Leaving a simple thumbs-up, in reaction to the 'blog' would be helpful, to know this update by the class teacher is valued.

With best wishes for a good weekend.

Gill Kennaugh



Ladybirds – Ottilie R, Arlo G Bees – Elijah O, Ezrae W

1EO – Isla H, Kipp S-M 1G – Jacob K, Harry M

2M – Ben W, Martha D **2R** – Izzy C, Peace F

30G – Jia W, Stanley M **3BA** – Roly H, Rue C

4B – The Whole Class **4T** – The Whole Class

5HB – William B, Elsa W **5F** – Oscar D, Romi H

6KR – Alfie G, Alden R **6N** – Albert C, Ethan M

Music Stars of the Week

Oliver R, Class 6N Rue C, Class 3BA

PE Stars of the Week

Iben G, Class 4B Alessia Z, Class 5F

Player of the Day

Larrell S, Class 5HB

Bath Half Marathon



Many staff took part in the Bath Half on Sunday 17th March. Well done to Mr Mullee, who is pictured, Mr Newman, Mrs Stock, Mr Day and Mrs Shaw-Butt – who all completed the course, showing great determination. Well done and thank you to Maya's dad, Alfonso, who kindly ran for the NPSA. There is a sponsorship link here should you wish to support his efforts.

Mrs Gamon had also trained to compete, but sadly, due to illness, was not able to take part.

We are proud of you all!

St George's Concert Hall visit

Last Friday, there was a visit to St George's Concert Hall in Bristol for a Brass workshop led by Bristol Brass Ensemble. We travelled on the mini bus with Mrs Stock at the wheel and arrived in the centre of Bristol at 10.30am.

The workshop was all about music, sound and science and was interactive and engaging. The children had the opportunity to listen to familiar pieces performed live such as the Pink Panther theme and Wallace and Gromit - they were absolutely enthralled!

The workshop had plenty of humour strewn in and amongst the learning, the children saw one of the musicians play weird and wonderful contraptions such as a garden hose and a drinking straw! The behaviour was impeccable and Newbridge certainly stood out - I was so proud!

Mrs Best - Music Teacher







Bee and Ladybird Classes present their assembly





Last week, our EYFS children presented an assembly to their parents and carers and to the Lower School.

They sang beautifully and recited a poem with confidence – showing everyone how much they have progressed since starting school.

Well done Reception!



Support for families and young people with special educational needs and/or Disabilities (SEND).

Explore the SEND Local Offer to find out what support there is available for young people with SEND and their families. Live Well B&NES includes details of wellbeing groups, social clubs, inclusive activities, holiday clubs, mental health support services and opportunities beyond formal education.

Dedicated information sections signpost to support around benefits and funding, Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs), health services and how to access impartial advice and guidance from specialist teams.

Parent/ Carers of young people with SEND can identify ways they can access support for their role as a parent **carer** of a child with additional needs. You can also apply for your child's free Rainbow Resource card providing discreet confirmation of their additional need, and enabling them to access dedicated activity sessions, quiet spaces and support, and in some cases concessions to venues across the South West.

Visit the SEND Local Offer to find out more.

Newbridge Boys v Moorlands Juniors



Moorlands 2-1 Newbridge

Another epic battle played out yesterday afternoon between the friendly rivals of Moorlands and Newbridge. This was yet another close meeting between these two very good sides, with some outstanding football played by both teams.

At half time, with both Newbridge sides having played a quarter each, the score was a nail-biting 0-0 and it was hard to predict who would get the first goal. Neither of our keepers, James and Sam R, had really been tested, as the midfielders battled for possession and searched for the killer pass.

It's fair to say that the pitch would have benefitted from a cut! The wet and warm weather meant grass on sections of the pitch was long, holding up the ball and preventing the through passes that we were trying to play. By the end of quarter 3, despite maximum effort and some lovely passing football, Moorlands were 2-0 up.

The final quarter saw relentless pressure from Newbridge, and the players ran themselves with everything they had. With 3 minutes left a sublime goal came from a Larell pass out wide, struck first time by Tom C into the box, and volleyed by Jake S into the far corner. It was a goal worthy of the Premier League!

That set up an exciting climax to the game as Newbridge increased the pressure searching from the equaliser, which we sadly couldn't find, but it was a phenomenal effort from the boys, and the match was played in great spirit. Both teams congratulated each other at the end – knowing we will meet again soon!

Squad: Sam E (Captain), Sam R, Rhed M, William B, Tom C, Shahan S, Charlie R, James W, Larell S, Arthur L, Tommy E, Jake S, Shadan S and Harry B – with Barney supporting from the sideline.

Year 6 Dance Umbrella – what a night!



On Tuesday, the Year 6 Dance Group took part in the 20th B&NES Dance Umbrella performance, at The Forum. It was an amazing evening with over 400 children taking part. The atmosphere was electric and full of energy. Our children were outstanding and performed like true professionals. Their timing was immaculate and their focus on point! But most of all, they had the best time and thoroughly enjoyed being on stage and performing in front of 1000 people.

We are so very proud of them and we, too, enjoyed making special memories with them all.

Thank you to all the parents who not only helped to provide super costumes but supported us on the night and gave us lovely comments, we really do appreciate it.

Mrs Bartlett and Mrs O'Gara

Key Stage 2 Assembly – a special visitor



On Wednesday KS2 were treated to a visit by a past pupil, Tobias Dean.

He spoke to the children about rewilderment and explained how the world is changing through climate change and human behaviour.

He certainly inspired us to change our ways and habits in order to protect our planet.





Everyone Active

Thank you to everyone who came along to our dance session this morning—it was GREAT!
This was our last session this term and dance sessions will continue in May.







OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL







While Sarah Webb is recovering, Jonny and Lesley Houston have temporarily taken over the organisation and running of the holiday club.

Holiday Club this Easter providing 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 Jonny Houston, an experienced Forest School leader, with DBS disclosure, First Aid training and public liability insurance. The site and all activities are risk-assessed.

Dates: Tues 2nd, Wed 3rd and Thurs 4th April

Tues 9th, Wed 10th and Thurs 11th April

Time: 9.00am – 4.00pm

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

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.













