



NEWBRIDGE News

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Dates Term 1

Tuesday 8th October

2R Forest School

Wednesday 9th October

EYFS/KS1 Phonics meeting for parents at 5pm – this is a repeated session

Thursday 10th October

4BA Forest School

Parent/Teacher Meeting online from 2.30pm

Friday 11th October

Individual photographs

Tuesday 15th October

Parent/Teacher Meeting online from 2.30pm
2OG Forest School

Thursday 17th October

Reading Meeting for KS2 parents at 2.30pm
4B Forest School

Thursday 24th October

Harvest Assembly – donations, please
End of Term 1 for children

Friday 25th October

INSET Day for staff

Term 2

Tuesday 5th November

2R Forest School

Thursday 7th November

NPSA Fireworks
4BA Forest School

Monday 11th November

Anti-Bullying Week

Tuesday 12th November

2OG Forest School
NPSA Meeting at 7.30pm

Thursday 14th November

4B Forest School

Tuesday 19th November

2R Forest School

Wednesday 20th November

Class 6N Bath Blitz Walk

Thursday 21st November

Class 6KR Bath Blitz Walk
4BA Forest school

Friday 22nd November

NPSA Cake and Uniform Sale

Inset Days 2024/25

Friday 25th October

Monday 6th January

Friday 27th June

Tuesday 22nd July

Term Dates 2024/25

Please [click here](#) for the terms dates

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you've had a good week. School life is going really well, and continues to be very busy.

B&NES Cross Country Championship: Read on to find out about the performance of Year 5 and Year 6 pupils at the annual B&NES Cross Country Championship held on Wednesday, this week. It was a privilege to watch them take part, with gutsy performances from all competitors.

Year 6 out and about: Our first out of school visit took place today. The Year 6 children travelled to Yeovilton to the Fleet Air Arm Museum, to immerse themselves in the history of WW11 as part of their enquiry, 'How can we learn from the past?' We look forward to hearing all about the visit in next week's newsletter.

Open Classrooms: The classrooms will be open to all parents from 3.20pm to 4.00pm today, and on Monday 7th October and Wednesday 9th October. This is an opportunity for parents and carers to view pupil books and the classroom. There is no need to book for these sessions and we politely ask that all visitors are respectful of the class environment and resources.

Parent/Teacher Meetings: Please remember to book your appointment to meet with your child's class teacher online on Tuesday 10th or Thursday 15th October. The booking system will close at 4pm on Tuesday 8th October. Mr Bacon, our Special Educational Needs Coordinator, will be available on alternative dates which are Tuesday 12th and Tuesday 26th November. Please know that parents do not need to wait for a Parents' Evening in order to talk with the class teacher about a concern or progress. Parents are able to request a meeting with their class teacher at any point in the school term, and we encourage this.

Valuing Difference: We always strive to create a rich and inclusive environment for our pupils. With this in mind, we are having a Valuing Difference Day on Friday 18th October. We want the children to appreciate the many ways in which people's backgrounds, abilities and experiences contribute to the richness of the world we live in. To make this day memorable, we are seeking volunteers from our community to share their own stories. We are particularly interested in hearing from individuals who are from an ethnic minority, live with a disability or have overcome significant adversity. A session would only need to last around 30 minutes and would involve sharing your story to one of our year groups and answering some questions from the children. Ideally, we would have a different volunteer for each year group. If you are interested in participating or know someone who might be, please contact the office by Friday 11th October.

Pupil Reports this year: In response to the 2024 Parental Questionnaire, we have reviewed when we report to parents. This year, a Teacher/Parent meeting will be held in Term 1, Term 3 and Term 6. An interim pupil report will be sent home at the end of Term 2, and Term 4, and an end of year report in Term 6. The report will provide an update on progress against age related expectations, a next step target, any information relating to support or an intervention that is in place and reference to our school values.

Individual and Sibling Photographs: Our regular company, Tulip, will take individual and sibling photographs on Friday 11th October. If your child has PE on this day, please send them in full uniform and they should bring their PE kit to change into. The children will receive a proof to bring home and images can be ordered online.

Celebrating Harvest: We love to celebrate Harvest together and will hold our annual Harvest Assembly on Thursday 24th October. For this assembly, we kindly ask that families, if possible, donate a non-perishable food item or, this year, a toiletry. All items received will be donated to Julian House – a Bath based charity supporting the homeless, and The Nest Project. The Nest Project is also a Bath-based charity and it provides support for families with children under 5 with essential items including clothing and equipment.

Julian House would welcome tinned items including tomatoes, soup, vegetables, meat and fruit, and jars of tomato pasta sauce and cartons of long-life fruit juice. The Nest Project would welcome nappies of all sizes, sensitive baby wipes, baby and children's body wash/shampoo/bubble bath, baby lotion and nappy cream. Please bring these items to the Upper School Hall on the morning of Thursday 24th October, at school drop-off – thank you in advance.

Our Curriculum: We wish to help parents know more about what we teach and with this, the progression of objectives and skills taught across the subjects and year groups. The staff have produced Curriculum Thread documents which you can find on the school website [here](#) for each subject.

Welcome: This week we welcome Arthur, who has joined Year 3. We hope that he and his family will be happy in our school community.

Please remember to read the teacher's blog on Google Classroom, for further updates.

Have a lovely weekend, Gill Kennaugh

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

Bees – Ezra S, Dara F

Ladybirds – Dimitris B, Ava C

IDO – Alys J, Ivy W

1G – Lainey P, Sebby J

2OG – Annie H, Ava L-R

2R – Lola S-W, Teddy L

3DE – Grace D, Darcey S

3M – Arthur I, Ellis J

4B – Hannah M, Ethel L-S

4BA – Sherhat Y, Lucy W

5HK – Audrey E, Henry G

5F – Alba M, Sunny M

6KR – Patrick W, Clara W

6N – Florrie S, Larrel S

PE Stars of the Week

Niki P, Class 5F William B, Class 6N

Music Stars of the Week

Saskia H, Class 4BA Jack B, Class 5F

★ HEADTEACHER MENTION

Mya W, from Class 3DE, took notice of the message I delivered in the first assembly of the school year. The assembly was based on a quote – "You must do the things you think you cannot do." Mya challenged herself to write a book, though not only in English, but in French. She recreated the story of the Enormous Turnip. Her dedication to this task was inspiring – the books are gorgeous, and her time and care reflect our school values.

Well done, Mya – you are a superstar learner.



Online Safety at Newbridge Primary School

On **Tuesday 22nd October 5:30-7pm**, we will be hosting an in-person Parents and Carers

Online Safety training run by South West Grid for Learning, in the Upper School Hall.

In association with this, we would like to invite you to complete a questionnaire in order for us to tailor the training to best fit the needs and desires of our families. To access the

questionnaire, please follow this link <https://forms.gle/RiohwizyiTvRxHzv8>.

Fixed Penalty Notice

If your child misses school because of an unauthorised absence of 10 sessions (or 5 days), the school may issue penalty notices.

Penalty notices will be issued separately to each parent, and for each child. The fine for each penalty notice is £120, with 28 days to pay. If you pay within 21 days, the fine is reduced to £60 for each penalty notice.

For example, a family with two parents (1&2) and two children (A&B) taking unauthorised absence would receive the following penalties:

- **Parent 1** = 1 penalty for child A plus 1 penalty for child B = 2 penalties
- **Parent 2** = 1 penalty for child A plus 1 penalty for child B = 2 penalties

Total payable by the family = 4 penalties (or £480).

If the family in this example had paid their fine within 21 days of being issued the penalty notice, they would have had to pay £240.

For further information:

B&NES Website for parents – Penalty Notice code of conduct.

<https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/pay-penalty-notice-non-attendance-school>
[Information for Parents and Carers August 2024 \(1\).docx \(live.com\)](#)

B&NES Year 5 & 6 Cross Country Championships



Year 6 Girls – Isabelle, Bethan, Chloe, Ella and Amira



Year 5 Boys – James, Tommy, Harith, Otis and Rory



Year 6 Boys – Harry, Flynn, Tom, William and Patrick



Year 5 Girls – Amelie, Mabel, Audrey, Olivia and Freja

On Wednesday, 20 Newbridge children took part in the B&NES Primary Schools' Cross-Country Championships at Odd Down.

The cool but dry conditions were perfect for running and the pace on the 1.2km course was fierce, with most races resembling more of a long-distance sprint!

A big thanks to all the parents who attended the event to cheer on Newbridge runners, with a special mention to Mrs Williams and Mr Boston for their assistance with transportation logistics.

It was also great to have Ms Kennaugh in attendance cheering children on at the finishing line and helped with a full collection of strong Newbridge sprint finishes.

Resilience and determination were demonstrated from all Newbridge runners with everyone successfully completing the course and achieving great team results for their respective year teams. You can see these below.

Mr Wallace
PE Lead



In between races, there was even time for some reading!



The final results:

Year 5 Girls: 8th place out of 14 schools

Year 5 Boys: 3rd place out of 16 schools

Year 6 Girls: 6th place out of 16 schools

Year 6 Boys: 1st place out of 15 schools

Well done to everyone who took part in the event, and there a few special mentions. Sadly, Barney from Year 6 was injured prior to the event and could not take part. He was sad to have missed out, but he was pleased for his Year 6 team mates. Stepping up at the last minute, with a call out for some trainers, Harry B was able to take Barney's place – well done boys for being so helpful and understanding. . In the Year 6 girls' race, Ella gave up her position, to stop and help two girls from other schools – what a superstar friend!

Allotment Plea



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have an allotment that is very messy and needs some TLC (tender loving care). Do you have the time and skills to help us? We would be very grateful if you could come every other Friday lunchtime between 12pm – 1pm.

We are Year 6 pupils who love gardening and we hope that with your kind help, the allotment is ship-shape before we leave Newbridge Primary School.

Please contact the School Office, if you are able to help us with this space.

Yours sincerely,

The Eco-Team

The Wombles

You may have seen us (Lyla, Alba and Mabel, in Class 5F) doing jobs for Mr Bacon and a few other teachers in the school, and that is because we are The Wombles.

Wombles are people who help around the school. We help with things like litter picking, organising things and much more.

So now you know what we are doing if you see us on the field or writing things while most people are out at break time.

If there is anything you spot that needs fixing, just ask The Wombles.



Extra Curricular Programme



The children at Newbridge are loving taking part in clubs this term. Pictured below are the Football Club ran by Michael Farrier and Dave Wallace; and our After School Club.

If you would like any information on the clubs that we offer, [please click here](#).



Well done Grace!

Last Friday evening, Grace D, from Class 3DE, was asked to cut the ribbon for the newly refurbished grounds at Larkhall Athletics.

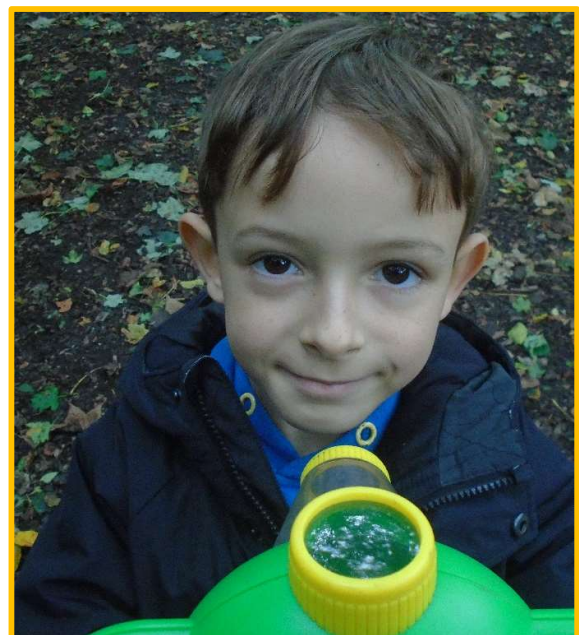
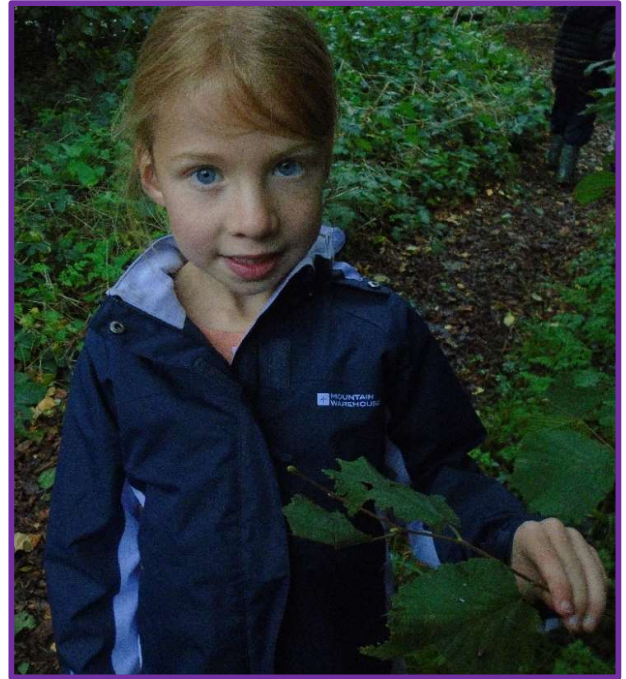
Grace represented the youth teams who play and train at Larkhall. Grace is the 600th youth player of the club and was given a special shirt with the number 600 on, as well as a big pair of scissors to cut the ribbon with.

We are all so proud of Grace and her ability to stand up in front of a large crowd and open the grounds. Well done, Grace.



Year 2 and Year 4 Forest School





Class 2OG and Class 4B have been loving their afternoons spent out in Forest School this week.

Class 4B spent some time picking apples this week and then made crumbles with Claire, yesterday.

Whereas, Class 2OG went on a bird hunt and made masks out in the Forest School Area.

Our New Library



We love spending more time in our new library during lesson time. Thank you to the NPSA for creating this beautiful space for us.

Are you interested in volunteering in our school?

Our generous volunteers are incredible 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

Everyone Active

Each Friday morning at 8.10am until 8.40am



Please come along to our free dance session next Friday morning. This will be held in the Upper School hall from 8.10am to 8.40am.

All ages are most welcome, pre-schoolers through to grandparents – there is no need to book, just come along.

Upper School children can come unaccompanied, but must stay in the Hall for the duration of the session. Lower School children must be accompanied.

Upper School children should put their belongings in their cloakroom before the start of the session and Lower School children leave their belongings in the Upper School Foyer.

Children should wear school PE kit and everyone should bring a filled water bottle.

It is a fun and positive start to the day - supporting everyone's well-being and health. Please come along.



OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



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: Monday 28th, Wednesday 30th and Thursday 31st October.
Please note, no holiday club on Tuesday 29th as there is tree work planned

Time: 9.00am – 4.00pm

Cost: 1st day booking: £40
2nd day or 2nd sibling £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



Navigating parenthood PARENTKIND WEBINARS

From supporting your child's health and wellbeing to ensuring success at every stage of school, our expert-led Navigating Parenthood webinars have helped hundreds of parents face the challenges of the parenting journey. Our new season of parent webinars is waiting for you... we can't wait to see you there!

 Helping your child achieve in school Liz Keable 18/09/24 / 7.30 - 8.30pm	 Caring for children with ADHD Gwendolyn Jones, Educating Matters 22/10/24 / 7.30 - 8.30pm
 Autism and transitions into secondary school Camie Caceres-Taguing, Beyond Autism 24/09/24 / 7.30 - 8.30pm	 Helping your child succeed in KS2 maths Lisa McLeod 08/11/24 / 12.30 - 1.30pm
 Socialising in reception: Finding friends, falling out and everything in between Lisa McLeod 03/10/24 / 12.30 - 1.30pm	 A nutritionist's guide to dealing with fussy eating Jenny Tschiesche, Nutritionist 15/11/24 / 12.30 - 1.30pm
 Supporting an anxious child Jennifer Wyman, Bridge the Gap 09/10/24 / 7.30 - 8.30pm	 Managing your child's smartphone life Matthew Carlton, Shine Workplace Wellbeing 19/11/24 / 7.30 - 8.15pm
 Dealing with bullying: Parenting Focus 15/10/24 / 7.00 - 8.00pm	<p>Find out more and sign up to our webinars here: parentkind.org/parent-training</p> 

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Newbridge Primary School

WE ARE HIRING

Join Our Team!

DO YOU WANT TO WORK WITH CHILDREN CARING FOR AND SUPERVISING THEM AT LUNCHTIME?

JOB POSITION : SCHOOL MEALS SUPERVISORY ASSISTANT

Newbridge Primary School is a large primary school on the outskirts of Bath with approximately 400 pupils on roll. This school is strongly committed to enabling each child to access a broad, enriched education of the highest quality. Our aspiration is to be the best we can be and we are very ambitious about what we can achieve for our children. The following post offers an opportunity to be part of a supportive, caring and committed school community who have high expectations of themselves and each other, and who have children at the centre of their philosophy.

As soon as possible, we would like to appoint a School Meals Supervisory Assistant to cover the following hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
 11.45am - 1.15pm
 £11.79 per hour
 Permanent Contract

The ideal candidate will need to be:

- Patient and caring
- Dedicated to all children achieving the best they can
- An excellent team player
- Resilient and energetic

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the children. We follow safer recruitment practices and appointments are subject to an enhanced DBS check.

**To find out more, please contact
 Newbridge Primary School**

enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk
 01225 421675

WHAT'S ON AT OUR MUSEUMS

	No1 Royal Crescent - Drawing Workshop Thursday 25 October - 5pm-7pm A playful workshop of drawing for adults and children* to do together. *KS2 and above
	Museum of Bath Architecture - Gothic Stained Glass* Monday 28 October: 10am-12:30pm Drop in and make your own stained-glass window decoration from recycled materials. No booking necessary.
	No1 Royal Crescent - Family Fun Portraits* Wednesday 30 October: 10-11am & 1-2pm Make a Georgian style family portrait in clay relief inspired by our new exhibition 'Being There'.
	No1 Royal Crescent - Mini Matchbox Keepsakes* Wednesday 30 October: 11:15am-12:15pm & 2:15-3:15pm Create a mini matchbox portrait with a bit of bling, taking inspiration from our exhibition 'Being There'.
	Herschel Museum - Stories in the Sky Planetarium Show* Thursday 31 October: see website for timings Join us at Bath Central Library for an exploration of myths and stories tied to the constellations from various cultures.

***Half term activities free for Discovery Card Holders**
 See our website for booking details <https://www.bath-preservation-trust.org.uk>

BATH PRESERVATION TRUST

OCTOBER FOOTBALL CAMPS

ST. MARTIN'S GARDEN

Early Bird Offer!
 Book before 18th October for just £15 per day! (20 a day after the 18th October)

Book for a single day or both days!

St. Martins Garden
 All camps run 10am-2pm
 Thursday 31st October
 Friday 1st November

Food and drink are not provided on the October Football Camps.

Book Online

For more information, contact us:
info@bathcityfoundation.org
www.bathcityfoundation.org

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OCTOBER FOOTBALL CAMPS

Girls Only

ST. MARTIN'S GARDEN

Girls Only Camps
 £10 per day!
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 October

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Knife Crime Awareness Event for Parents and Carers

The B&NES Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP) are pleased to announce that we have now arranged a parental knife crime awareness event at St Mark's School on Monday 21st October 2024, starting at 6pm.

Please book through our Eventbrite Link below. The event is aimed at parents and carers who would like to know more about the dangers of knife crime or are concerned that their children are at risk.

They aim to increase awareness of key issues surrounding knife crime, empowering you and your children to make informed and positive decisions to stay safe.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bnes-vrp-knife-crime->