



NEWBRIDGE NEWS

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Term 5

Wednesday 1st May
NPSA Meeting at 7:30pm

Monday 6th May
Bank Holiday

Monday 13th May
Year 6 SATS Week

Friday 17th May
Year 3 Assembly 2.30pm

Sunday 19th May
NPSA Family Fun Run

Monday 20th May
Year 6 Kilve Court
Residential

Friday 24th May
Year 5 Assembly 2.30pm
End of Term 5

Term 6

Monday 3rd June
Start of Term 6
Year 4 Multiplication
Screening

Monday 10th June
Assessment Week
Phonics Screening Y1/2
Year 4 Multiplication
Screening

Friday 14th June
NPSA BBQ

Tuesday 25th June
Year 4 Stonehenge visit

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,

Year 1 assembly, today: This afternoon the Year 1 children impressed us with all that they have been learning. They thought of one thing that they had learned for every letter of the alphabet, and it was brilliant! They delivered their lines with such confidence – everyone in the room was brimming with pride. Well done, Year 1.

Year 5 and 6 Rugby Tournament: On Thursday, our children entered the B&NES Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Tournament held at Odd Down Sports Complex. Mr Wallace and Mrs Martin accompanied the team and both spoke highly of the children's play and conduct. Well done to Samuel, Oliver, Barney, Seb, Katie, Archie, Emma, Patrick, Thomas, Remy, Bethan and Isobel.

Use of the school mini bus: You will know that we are fortunate to have our own school mini bus to transport children to and from events and sports matches. This has fitted with our aim of enabling as many children as possible to proudly represent the school and to meet new experiences. In order to support the running costs, we will now ask for a £1 voluntary donation when your child is transported. The voluntary contribution will be mentioned in the initial consent form and an ongoing 'wallet' will be opened in School Gateway, for any donations. Thank you in advance.

Thank you for your help: Our school allotment has not had the attention it deserves since a band of parents left the school when their children moved to secondary school. However, very generously, throughout the Easter holidays Harrison's mum and grandma used their skill and energy to bring the allotment back under control, and now it looks superb. Thank you, so much, we are all very grateful.

Mobile Phone Policy: We are very aware that more and more children have their own phones. The older children – usually Year 6, can only bring their phone to school to support their independence when walking to and from school and only **if absolutely necessary**. The phone must be turned off when entering the school site and only turned on after leaving the site. All phones must be handed to the class teacher on arrival at school. We are also aware that children are members of online platforms, such as WhatsApp, and this is mentioned in an article further in the newsletter. Being a part of these groups can cause issues and upset, which we have had to manage in school. Please can I remind all parents that WhatsApp is a platform for young people aged over 16 years. Here you will find some helpful guidance from the NSPCC about safety considerations [Is WhatsApp safe for my child?](#) I urge you to read this and, if possible, attend an online safety meeting for parents on Wednesday 8th May at 4pm as advertised below.

Our Curriculum: For all of the curriculum documents which set out the progression of learning through 'threads' for each subject, please see the link [here](#).

Formalised trial of a one-way system on neighbouring roads: From the end of May 2024, B&NES will trial a one-way system for motorists along Charmouth Road, Lyme Road and Lyme Gardens. The trial will be in place for a minimum of six months from the week beginning Monday 27 May 2024, alongside a public consultation. During this time, the council will also monitor traffic movements to measure any impacts. At the end of the six month consultation, it will consider all of the outcomes alongside wider council policy, to inform a decision on whether to make the trial permanent. For full details of this formal trial scheme, please see <https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/lymeroadetro>.

The Newbridge Arts Trail: We will be taking part in The Newbridge Arts Trail again this year. It is on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th May from 10.30am - 5.00pm. We will exhibit work from every year group, alongside the work of local artists, in the Blue Room. Parents will be notified if their child's work is on display. Many other examples of art will be on display in the local community, and we hope that families will be able to enjoy this long-standing event. A map of the trail will be sent out next week.

NPSA Updates: Thank you to Anna Dawson, Lucy Anderson, Fran Derrien and the many volunteers who organised the 'Bounce and Buy' last Sunday. The feedback from it has been very positive and the event raised over £1000 towards our library fund, which is incredible! There is an NPSA meeting on Wednesday 1st May at 7.30pm and everyone is most welcome to come along and to share their ideas and offer their support.

Google Classroom: Please remember to log into your child's Google Classroom account to see all of the detail about what has been taught this week and the activities completed. The staff value your interaction, so please leave a comment or a simple thumbs-up.

Have a lovely weekend,
Gill Kennaugh

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

Ladybird – Freya G, Leo H

Bee – April H, Walter A

1EO – Whole Class!

1G – Whole Class!

2M – Willow T, Magnus B

2R – Xanthi D, Henry O

3OG – Angus P, William C

3BA – Finn C, April B

4B – Ioan H, Ben W

4T – Sami R, Jack B

5HB – Florrie S, Ruby E

5F – Whole Class!

6KR – Eloise P, Bertie O

6N – Spike F, Daniel A

Music Stars of the Week

Elisabeth W, Class 6N Kiere G, Class 3OG

PE Stars of the Week

Fern D, Class 5F James W, Class 5F

Player of the Day

Barney B, Class 6N

★ A HEADTEACHER MENTION ★



Katie was very eager to share the learning she had completed at home. Although not related to her current learning in school, Katie decided to find out more about the solar system and set this knowledge out, in stunning art work.

If you look carefully you can see all of the planets, in order.

You are a learning super-star, Katie!

NPSA Bounce and Buy

Thanks to everyone who attended Sunday's Bounce and Buy fundraiser. The sun was shining, the children were bouncing and the table top stalls offered a great range of items for all.

An impressive 30 volunteers made the event possible, with a further 8 stall holders giving their time to help raise money for the school. An impressive £1000 was raised which will go towards the relocation of the library.



The library volunteer team have also been working hard to clear the current library of duplicates and well used books - these are currently in the Upper School Foyer, please take a look and make any donation you can if you'd like to take some home.

Year 2 visit from King Edward's School

Year 2 were lucky enough to be visited by some Year 6 children from King Edward's School on Monday. The Year 6 children had planned, written, edited, illustrated and finally published their own stories - a project which took them about 6 weeks to complete.

All of the stories were originals, so our Year 2 children had the chance to listen to a story being told for the very first time. There were some really creative story ideas, and all the children from KES were natural story tellers. The children loved the chance to meet some new faces, and listened brilliantly to the stories. A huge thank you to all the children and staff from KES who made this possible.



Year 5 and 6 Tag Rugby Festival



The school mini bus was back in action this week as 12 pupils competed in the Bath & District Tag Rugby Tournament at the Odd Down Sports Complex. For some pupils it was their first venture out on the mini bus and that in itself made for an exciting start to the morning.

The standard of rugby at the tournament was very high and Newbridge quickly rose to that challenge with a bold and expansive style of their own, involving lots of mazy running and crisp, accurate offloading out of the tackle.

The first game was a contender for match of the tournament. Newbridge narrowly missed out on the win, with an 11 tries to 12 loss in a game that went right down to the wire against a very strong Bitton team.

Game 2 saw Newbridge find their stride as they exploited space and pace on the flanks of the pitch, to run in 9 tries with a convincing win over Chew Stoke.

Game 3 saw another strong team performance, lots of tries and some impressive interlinking play to defeat Castle Primary School.

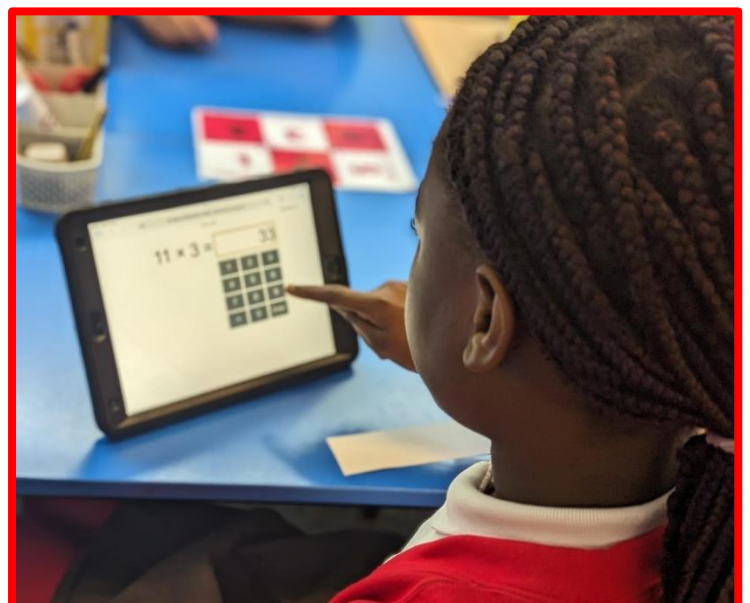
Game 4 was a quarter final match against St John's. The lead exchanged hands frequently as both teams played some great rugby. Unfortunately, St John's edged it in the end, running out winners with 5 tries to Newbridge's 4.

All in all, we had a fabulous morning out and all pupils involved did the school, and each other, proud. Well done, all!

Mr Wallace and Mrs Martin

Year 4 Science

Year 4 have been really busy this week. They had great fun on Wednesday investigating how different chocolate melts at different temperatures, as well as practising their times tables ready for the Multiplication Check in June. Well done Year 4!



Using our Forest School area

This week Year 4 returned to the forest. It was a joy to see the smiles and laughter as the children enjoyed the fresh air.

We challenged the children to create European landmarks from what they could find in the wild wood, to link in with their enquiry: 'What Makes A European Country Unique?'

From the leaning tower of Pisa to Big Ben, their creations did not disappoint. We also got the chance to check up on the trees we had planted with Mr Houston last term - we're pleased to say they are thriving.





A big thank you...

A big thank you to Harrison, in Class 4B and his Mum, Saffy, and Grandma, Jo, who helped clear the allotment plots at the top of our school.

They did this during the holidays. The allotment looks incredible and we are so grateful to Harrison, his Mum and Grandma for all their hard work.



Are you worried about the safety of your child online?

Technology is a part of our everyday lives, but with developments in the digital world happening so quickly, it can be hard to keep up with the latest in online safety. Ofcom's recent annual study of children's relationships with the media and online worlds found that children aged 5 to 7 are increasingly present online with a third using social media (e.g. TikTok, WhatsApp, Instagram) unsupervised.

Online gaming among 5 to 7 year-olds has also seen a significant increase with more children of this age playing shooter games than ever before. Whilst tech firms have a legal responsibility to keep children safe online, it is also important for adults to regularly talk with children about how to stay safe online.

The NSPCC website and GetSafeOnline has a wealth of information and age-based advice about online safety. Each term, we begin our computing topics with an online safety lesson, in which children learn about age-appropriate online risks and how to make informed decisions.

As a school, we also have access to the Knowsley Online Safety parent/carer information sessions, the next of which is on Wednesday 8th May 4-4:45pm. These 30 minute sessions cover current trends, understanding the risks, practical suggestions, signposts to further support services as well as offering a 15 minute Q&A. A link to access this online session will be emailed out nearer the time.

Please [click here](#) to visit the NSPCC website and [here](#) to visit GetSafeOnline.

In partnership with Knowsley CLCs, all parent/carers are invited to an:

Online Safety Information Session

Current trends – what children are doing online and what apps/games are popular amongst children.

Understanding the Risks – a look at the risks associated with using technology. In particular when using social media, online gaming & live streaming.

What can you do? – suggestions on how you can support your child with their online lives and what parental controls are available to help you.

Further Support – signposting to services that are available to help you.

**WEDNESDAY
8TH MAY
2024**

4PM – 4.45PM

Knowsley
City Learning Centres

CHARACTERS
STAGE SCHOOL



Annie

Casting

Extra Little Orphans

Aged 4-7 for

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Instructor Nick here - Taekwon-Do is at **Newbridge Primary School** & we are offering a Month Free! It's on **Mondays**, spaces will be limited and may be subject to a waiting list. It's all about high performance freestyle Tae Kwon-Do & developing that Self-control and Confidence. Yes, we have the black belts, kicks and tricks, but it's all about:

- T eamwork
- I ntegrity
- G rowth
- E nergy
- R espect
- S elf-Control



The upcoming 4 week free trial will run at **Newbridge Primary School** starting **Monday 15th April** and continue at that location going forward:

Infants/Juniors (School Yr 1-6): Mondays 6:30-7:15

Please do not enter the building on pickup, release will be outside.

Our classes are the lowest priced pro Tae Kwon-Do sessions in the area! After the free trial, should you wish to continue, classes are just £32 a month, which includes **all training, belts, gradings, replacement uniforms, patches, licensing & insurance**. Siblings train at a huge £9 per month discount too!

To register your child via mobile or desktop, please fill out this short form: www.tigermartialarts.club/monthfree

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact Kat, TMA admin by email: admin@tigermartialarts.club or by phone between 10am-3pm **07921855900**.

Once booked, we'll contact you before the start to confirm details. To find out more: www.tigermartialarts.club

Thanks as always for your support,

Instructor Nick

Head Instructor - Tiger Martial Arts



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