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Term 5 Dates

Sunday 27th April NPSA Bounce and Buy 10am Monday 28th April Extra-curricular Clubs begin Tuesday 29th April Class 2R Forest School Thursday 1sy May Class 4BA Forest School Friday 2nd May Year 1 Assembly 2.40pm Monday 5th May Bank Holiday – school closed Tuesday 6th May Class 2OG Forest School NPSA Meeting 7.30pm Thursday 8th May Class 4BA Forest School Friday 16th May Year 5 Assembly Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th May Newbridge Arts Trail Friday 23rd May Year 3 Assembly 2.30pm Last Day of Term 5

Term 6

Monday 2nd June Term 6 begins Wednesday 4th June Upper School Sports Day Sunday 8th June Family Fun Run Monday 9th – 13th June Year 6 Kilve Residential Tuesday 17th June Lower School Sports Morning 9.15am – 10.30am Friday 20th June

NPSA Summer BBQ Inset Days 2024/25

Friday 27th June Tuesday 22nd July Please <u>click here</u> for the term dates.

Year 6 Production 2025 9th and 10th July at 6pm Year 6 Leavers' Tea 2025 Thursday 17th July 4.30pm to 6.00pm Year 6 Leavers' Assembly Monday 21st July 1.45pm

Inset Days 2025/26 Tuesday 2nd September Friday 24th October 2025 Monday 5th January 2026 Friday 26th June 2026 Wednesday 22nd July. 2026 Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you were able to enjoy some down time over the holiday period. It was a welcomed break from the demanding pace of the term, and the warm weather was a bonus. With the Summer Term ahead of us, there will be many more events and activities to come, so please check all of the published dates on this newsletter and on the school calendar <u>here</u>.

Year 5 return from Great Wood: There was much excitement and a few nerves on Wednesday morning, as Year 5 set off for their first school residential adventure. With bags packed, they boarded the coach to Great Wood in Somerset. It is an ideal setting for a first trip and we knew, that whilst presenting some new challenges, the children would have a rewarding time. The prime aim of the residential visit is to further develop resilience, confidence and independence, and from all accounts, the time away from home and the activities planned, afforded this. We are delighted that the children represented our school well, showing all of the staff, including those who work at the centre, how responsible and respectful they are. The trip could not have happened without the Newbridge staff stepping forward to accompany and support the children. Therefore, I express my thanks to Mrs Hansard, Mr Bacon, Mr Free, Ms Rhodes, Miss Mylan and Mr Wallace for making arrangements to attend. I am sure the children and staff will sleep well tonight.

Extra-Curricular Activities: This term's clubs will start from Monday 28th April and will finish the week ending Monday 7th July. Thank you all of those who have signed up, and to staff running clubs this term.

Punctuality: Arriving late to school is unsettling for the children and calls on the office staff to tend to the children at a busy time of the day. It is not only a legal requirement for children to attend school regularly, but also for children to be at school on time. All children must be in class for registration at 8.55am, therefore, they need to be through the gates by 8.53am. Children arriving after 8.55am are marked as Late (L). Children arriving after 9.10am are marked as Unauthorised (U). If families arrive late at school, children must be accompanied to the office to sign-in.

Going home arrangements: If there is a change in going home arrangements for Lower School children, these must be notified to the school office by 10.30am. It is difficult for the staff to manage these after this time and we wish to ensure that all children are collected safely. Thank you for your help.

Children's personal items: Please can we ask all parents and carers not to allow children to bring toys, games, expensive or special items to school. Inevitably there is upset if these are lost or damaged. Only children in the Upper School are permitted to wear watches.

Lessons in sustainability: Clara W, Alessia Z and Olivia S from Class 6KR wrote excellent letters about the changes they would hope to see in our city of Bath. With this, we sent the letters to Sophie Broadfield, Director of Sustainable Communities for Bath and North East Somerset, and asked if she might like to visit our Year 6 children and talk about her work. The girls were very excited to receive a response, and then to receive a visit from Sophie on 4th April! Read below for how they were inspired by her talk.

NPSA Updates: Our NPSA continues to work hard for our community. The end of term Easter events were particularly fun – combined £500 was raised for our children, our school and our community.

The next event will be a table top sale with an inflatable 'bounce-a-long' session, this Sunday at 10am.

With the NPSA AGM due later this term, please consider the current vacancies available on the committee. We are hoping to find a new Chair and a new Secretary. Please see further details below.

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.

Warmer weather: To enjoy and keep safe in the warmer weather, please can all parents ensure children are provided with a hat and a filled water bottle each day. Sun cream needs to be applied before school and cannot be brought to school for staff or children to apply.

B&NES Term dates 25/26: The Inset days for next year are Tuesday 2nd September, Friday 24th October, Monday 5th January, Friday 26th June and Wednesday 22nd July. The B&NES term dates for 25/26 can be found <u>here.</u>

Lost Property: Please remember to check in the Upper School Cloakroom on the pegs immediately on the left and right hand side, and in the blue box in the Lower School Hall. There is too much, and it all needs to go home.

With best wishes for a good weekend. Gill Kennaugh Learning and Communication Creativity and Imagination Personal Development Collaboration Citizenship

STARS OF THE WEEK

Bees – Dara F, Noah S

- 1DO Ivy W, Sanvi R
- 20G Isaiah P, Toby D
- **3DE** Darcy S, Erika G

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- 4B Beau G, Katie H
 - 5HK Whole Class!

6KR – Shadan S, Marley G 6N – Harry A, Flynn N

- Ladybirds Hamish B, Spencer D IG – Edie H, Jacob S 2R – Eva H, Teddy L 3M – Hugo S, Zeke S 4BA – Alice L, Hettie R 5F – Whole Class!

PE Stars of the Week: Clara W 6KR, Jake S 6N Music Stars of the Week: Ella E 4BA, Marley G 6KR

HEADTEACHER MENTION

Many congratulations to our Year 5 children who conquered their first residential visit this week. They will sleep well tonight!



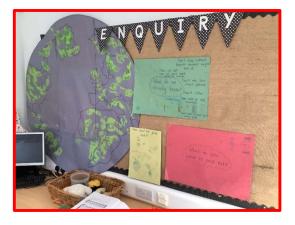


Year 1 Earth Day

To celebrate Earth Day, and to launch our new enquiry, 'How can we look after our planet?' Year 1 used their footprints to create a display that will hopefully make us all think about our own positive and negative impact on the environment. The children were already able to tell us so much about looking after our planet. We are looking forward to exploring this enquiry more this term.











Class 20G Forest School

Class 2OG kicked off Term 5 with an afternoon in our ever changing Forest School. We had a mix of weathers, but this didn't stop us from pond dipping (we found newts, dragonfly larvae and lots of tadpoles.) We had the opportunity to use the flora and fauna to print onto Calico, and as always, Clare taught us some fun games to keep us active too. Amazing fun as always!























Sustainability in Year 6

On the final day of Term 4, Year 6 were visited by Sophie Broadfield – the Executive Director of Sustainability in B&NES. Olivia, Clara and Alessia wrote persuasive letters about the environment following the exploration of the book 'The Promise' in English. We invited Sophie into Newbridge to share all of the upcoming sustainably plans in B&NES.

'We had the opportunity to ask Sophie questions about our local area, how she became passionate about the environment and how we can be sustainable in our everyday lives.' Alessia

'One of the things I was really interested in hearing about was the new Fashion Museum opening in Bath! Alessia, Olivia and I didn't



realise how important councillors are and how much they do for our local area.' Clara 'I couldn't believe how much we are adding to how the environment is being damaged. As a group, we want to have a positive impact on the environment in our local area and Sophie gave us lots of ideas of how to do this.' Olivia



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JOIN OUR TEAM!

Are you looking for a way to make a positive impact in your child's school community? The NPSA need YOU! We're looking for a new Chair and Secretary, beginning September 2025.



Chair

- · Lead on fundraising with the . With the support of the support of the committee
- Liaise with school to develop shared objectives
- Have fun, thinking of new and exciting ways to bring our wonderful community together!

Secretary

- committee, draw up agendas for meetings
- Attend meetings and take minutes (then circulate)
- · Be the point of contact for the Charity Commission

For the full job specification or to ask any questions, please email npsabath@gmail.com

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