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Dates

Monday 17th July Year 6 Production 7pm

Tuesday 18th July Year 6 Production 7pm

Wednesday 19th July Year 6 Leavers' Tea and Disco 4.15pm to 6.00pm

Thursday 20th July Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 1.45pm

End of term for all pupils

Inset Days 23/24

Friday 1st September 2023 Tuesday 2nd January 2024 Friday 28th June 2024 Monday 22nd July 2024 Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Term Dates 23/24

You can view the Bath and North East Somerset term dates here for 2023/24

LOST PROPERTY

We have too much lost property in school. Please look at the racks on the left and right immediately inside the Upper School Cloakroom and in the blue box in the Lower School Hall, today. It will be placed outside the office next week and all needs claiming.

Dear Parents and Carers

Although it's nearing the end of term, each day continues to be jam-packed. There have been some real highlights this week, making the end of the year memorable for all.

Volunteers' Thank You

It was lovely to be able to thank those volunteers who could attend on Monday, to a short musical recital and the choir singing in the whole school assembly. We can never say thank you enough when considering the many, many hours of support each volunteer has given to our children, our families and our community. Please know we are most grateful.

Year 5 visit Oldfield School

On Tuesday, Year 5 went on an exciting trip to Oldfield School. The children had the opportunity to take part in lessons and found out more about what it is like at secondary school. The children were met by members of the English faculty who showed them around the library, helped them create a story and even taught them some Shakespearean insults! The children then had an opportunity to look around the school, to have a break in the cafeteria and to meet the school dogs!

Year 5 and 6 Basketball Tournament

We accomplished a first on Tuesday, when Mr Newman took our Year 5 and Year 6 basketball team to a B&NES tournament. Looking the part, Troy J, Oliver R, Barney B, Seb S, Seb B, Finn G and Albert C had 'a blast', as Seb B, Captain, said. The team played brilliantly, though sadly encountered a shoot out, to be knocked out after winnng the group stage. Onwards and upwards for next year – well done, team.

Year 3 perform at The Forum

Our Year 3 dance troup had a special evening on Tuesday. Following much practise earlier in the year with Mrs Amor and Mrs O'Gara, they performed at The Forum, having been invited to join with Oldfield School's celebration of dance. It was a magical evening, with stunning performances from all ages. Our dancers overcame some nerves and showed everyone just how brilliant they are. Their dance and the enjoyment they got from it was very special to see. Thank you, all.

EYFS out and about

Tuesday was a very busy day, and to add to it, the children in Ladybird and Bee Class went on an exciting visit to The Victoria Art Gallery. This was their first school visit, beyond the local area. Read on to find out more...including what the most exciting part was!

Farewell to staff members

At the end of term we say goodbye to a number of staff. Firstly, to Mrs Hill who works in the school office and who will retire from her role after 25 years. This is an incredible commitment to our school community. We thank her for her dedication and loyalty and we wish her a very happy retirement – she deserves every moment of it. Another member of staff who has a long association with our school, is also retiring. Mrs Bateman, a teaching assistant, has made the difficult decision to step away from her position to spend more time with her family. Many of you will know Mrs Bateman as your children, or even you, will have passed through Early Years. She has worked tirelessly for 27 years, supporting hundreds of children, their families and our school. We thank her and wish her every happiness in her well-deserved retirement. Although not a member of staff, we must recognise Mrs Cavil, a long standing supply teacher, who will retire from this role at the end of the academic year. She has committed 38 years to the teaching profession, in a number of schools and must be congratulated for this. What an achievement! Of course, we wish her every happiness. We also say goodbye to Mrs Titchener, who has recently returned from her maternity absence. She has secured a new teaching position near to where she lives. She has been a member of the teaching staff for two and half years and we thank her for her commitment to our children and our school.

Netball - Newbridge v Widcombe

There was sporting action on Monday, when we hosted Widcome Junior School in a netball match. With a year of training and commitment, the teams produced great results. Plaese read on to find out more from Mrs Slinn and Sophie E, in Year 5.

Year 6 Production

We are very excited to see our Year 6 children perform 'Oliver' next Monday and Tuesday evening. Excitement has been building today with the anticipation of the upcoming occasion. The children have worked extremely hard and, as always, it's been a huge team effort. I know that everyone will enjoy every moment of the show, and the performances will be a lasting memory of the children's time at Newbridge Primary School. Good luck everyone!

Lunch Boxes and Lost Property

Please can all parents and carers check for lost items - we have too much lost property in school. Please look at the racks on the left and right immediately inside the Upper School Cloakroom and in the blue box in the Lower School Hall. It will be placed outside the office next week and everything needs to be claimed. There are also many lunch boxes in the Upper School main corridor which need to be claimed.

Extra-Curricular Activities this year

Thank you for supporting your child to join the extra-curricular programme this year. We are pleased to have enabled a wide range of activities and opportunities. I would like to offer a special thanks to the teaching staff who have committed to leading these activities beyond their school hours. This thanks is extended to Mr Farrier, Mrs Slinn and Mrs Magrath who have led activities in a volunteer capacity.

Google Classroom

We are in the process of setting up the new Google Classrooms for next year. Please log in to the current Google Classroom for your child and accept the request to join the new 'classroom', so that all accounts are enabled for September.

Cake Sale, Book Sale and Uniform Sale

Thank you very much to the NPSA for organising today's sales, to everyone who made a donation to enable them to happen and to all those who came along – helping raise funds for our school.

With best wishes for a restful weekend, before the final week.

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*	Bee - Whole Class	Ladybird - Whole Class	
*	IEO - Chloe B, Finlay H	1G - Finn O'Byrne, Finola S	
*	2M - Nell W, Albie S	2R - Ethel L-S and Georgie K	
*	30G - Victor B, Harith A	3BA − Hayley M, Evie J	
*	4B - Harry B, Bethan T	4T − Poppy H, Alice S	
*	5HB - Greta H, Albert C	5G − Remi F, Maya CL	
*	6KR - Joey B, Mohammad H	6N - Whole Class	

Bee and Ladybird Class Out and About













On Tuesday, the children in Ladybird and Bee Class were thrilled to be embarking on their first school trip, to the Victoria Art Gallery and Parade Gardens. They took part in a workshop about an artist called Kaffe Fassett, who creates beautiful quilts. The children created their own patterned vases, taking inspiration from his materials. They enjoyed exploring and having a snack in Parade Gardens, before the most exciting part... the coach back to school!



Year 6 Netball v Widcombe

It was a lovely match to end the year on. Both teams were evenly matched so it meant a fair game for all. I was blown away by all of the players' drive to play well and win. Each and every one of them was fully committed to winning the ball, which resulted in some lovey through court passes and wonderful interceptions. Widcombe had a thirst to pull it back in the last quarter, intercepting most passes in our end third, but our centre court and defence did well to hold them off. The final score was 9 - 7 to Newbridge.

It really was lovely to see how far the team have come in their netball. There are some strong Year 5 players who together could field a good team for next year - *Mrs Slinn, Netball Coach*.

(Thank you, Mrs Slinn, for your commitment this year – we have been very fortunate to have your support and help. We know the team have appreciated it).

By Sophie E, Year 5 –

On Monday 10th July, the Newbridge Netball Team competed in a match against Widcombe Primary School. Our teams consisted of both Year 5 and Year 6, where as Widcombe were made up of entirely Year 6 children.

We played 2 matches each (our teams were split into two groups due to uneven numbers) and scored 9 goals overall. Widcombe scored 7. It was a difficult match but we really enjoyed it. There were a lot of near misses from both sides and Widcombe played very well but were the winning team! We were so pleased.

Our players were: Oliver, Lauren, Scarlett, Emma, Sophie G, Sophie E, Mina, Ursie, Evie, Lynn, Zelda, Lara, Julia, Chloe, Imogen and Isabelle.

We would like to thank Mrs Slinn for her hard work and dedication, we have been really lucky to have her as a coach.

Year 5 visit Oldfield School



Greta and Katie reflected on their visit to Oldfield School.....

'We had an English day which involved going to the library (with lots of books in it!). We then played a game and my team won! After that we went to an English class about re-writing fairy tales and we also learnt a bit about Shakespearean language." **Greta**

"I enjoyed seeing the library and learning about the Shakespearean language." **Katie**

NPSA Scarecrow Trail 24th September 2023 10am-4pm

Would you like to create a scarecrow for the trail?

Please sign up here, if you are interested.

Sign Up for Scarecrow Trail September 2023



We love Forest School

Forest School has come to an end for another year. It is a highlight of our curriculum offer and everyone loves it.

Thank you, very much, to Sarah Webb who leads the weekly sessions with Year 2 and Year 4.

Every child and teacher will say they benefit from such skilled and creative work.

Newbridge Basketball Team – first competition

On Tuesday, the basketball team travelled to Wellsway School to play in the B&NES tournament. We played five games in which all players took part, and we had a blast! With Seb B as Captain, we fought our way to 1st place in our group after facing tough competition from Saltford. Sadly, we fell in the semi-finals because of a 2-1 defeat in the final shootout, after drawing in regular time.

Troy, Oliver, Barney, Seb S, Seb B, Finn and Albert had a brilliant time. All in all, it was an amazing experience for all of us!

Thank you to Mr Newman for being our coach. By Seb B.



Year 3 Perform at The Forum





Creative Twerton

The regular creative sessions at 'Creative Twerton' are free to attend and the group provides free lunch and refreshments.

All of the sessions are run by professional artists and creative producers.

Drop in to learn new skills, start a new creative project of

https://lostrobot.org/creativetwerton/

good company.

your own, or simply make and chat in

107 High St, Twerton

Wow! What a wonderful opportunity Oldfield School offered Year 3 on Tuesday, as we were invited to their Evening of Dance at The Forum. When the children were in Year 2, the Dance Club never got to perform their dance so this was a welcome chance to finally show off their dance skills to their parents. The dancers were incredible and astounded everyone with their polished and joyful performance. We are so incredibly proud of everyone!





Grow Your Playground...more stallholders



Well done to Mina (Class 6N) who sold Kimbap (Korean Sushi) at the Summer Fair and raised £66.50 for GYP.

Thank you, Mina – you are amazing – and it tasted amazing, too!



Well done to Harith (Class 3OG) and Amira (Class 4B) for raising funds for GYP.

You are shining stars!



Jack (Class 3OG) and Ava (Class 1G) ran a sweet and book sale for GYP. They also set up a 'throw a water balloon at Jack' stall which was so much fun on a really hot day.

Thank you Jack and Ava, for being brilliant Newbridge citizens.



Poppy (Class 4T) you are amazing. Thank you for taking so much care and selling strawberry plants for GYP!





A perfect opportunity for children & teens interested in exploring the performing arts...

SHOW IN 3 DRYS

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MUSIC DANCE ACTING

with experienced practitioners all culminating in a performance for family & friends at the end!

Thursday 31st August - Saturday 2nd September

The Forum, Bath | Ages 6-12 & 13-17 | 9AM-4PM

FOR BOOKING PLEASE VISIT WWW.BATHBOXOFFICE.ORG.UK & FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT WWW.CLARION(ALLARTSACADEMY.ORG.UK



Summer Reading Challenge 2023

Simply sign up to the challenge at the Bath Central Library from 8th July or create an account online at: https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/

If you create an account online, children will create their own avatar and set a goal for how many books they would like to read.

All they then have to do is log all the books they have read when they have read them and leave a review. There is also the chance to unlock special online badges and a certificate to print at home when they reach their challenge goal.

If you'd rather take part in person, then children can sign up at the Bath Central Library and they will be given a special collector folder, stickers and other incentives as well as help you find books to read for the challenge.

The Bath Central Library is also hosting many fun and free activities over the summer, go to the following website to book:

Bath Library Summer Reading Events

We hope you have lots of fun and enjoy reading this summer!

OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL







Our Summer 2023 holiday club days provide 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

JULY Tues 25th *Wed 26th Thurs 27th

AUGUST *Wed 2nd *Thurs 3rd

Tues 22nd FULL Wed 23rd FULL Thurs 24th

Tues 29th Wed 30th FULL *Thurs 31st

- Indicates no more space for Unders 8's
- We operate awaiting list for those dates that are full

Time: 9.00am – 4.00pm

Please bring morning snack, packed lunch and a water bottle. Campfire snacks will be provided in the afternoon

Cost: 1 day booking: £40 per day – siblings £38 per child per day

2 day booking: £76 per child

3 + days booking: £ 37 per child per day

Sessions will be led by Sarah Webb, Claire Pickman and Jonny Houston, all experienced Forest School leaders based in and around Bath, with DBS disclosure, First Aid training and public liability insurance. The site and all activities are risk/benefit-assessed.

Booking essential, please email valair1@hotmail.com or call on 07825 610145 for a booking form. Spaces are limited to 20-25 children per day and there are limited spaces for under 8's in line with required ratios