



# NEWBRIDGE News

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## 'Meet the Teacher'

**Y2** - 9th September 2.45pm

**Y1** – Tuesday

10th September 2.45pm

**Dates Term 1**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September**  
Clubs atart

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September**  
Year 4 Jonathan Jungle  
2OG Forest School

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September**  
4B Forest School

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September**  
NPSA Picnic

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September**  
Flu Vaccinations  
2R Forest School

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September**  
4BA Forest School

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September**  
NPSA Bags to School

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September**  
NPSA Meeting at 7.30pm

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September**  
KS1 Phonics Meeting at  
2.45pm

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September**  
NPSA Cake and Uniform Sale

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September**  
2OG Forest School

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**  
Year 6 Fleet Air Museum Trip

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**  
4B Forest School

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup>, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> and  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October**  
Parents to look at Books

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October**  
2R Forest School

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October**  
4BA Forest School  
Parents' Evening from  
2.30pm

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October**  
Individual photos

## Inset Days 2024/25

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 6th January

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

## Term Dates 2024/25

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

Dear Parents and Carers

**A very warm welcome:** Welcome back to school. I hope you are well and are getting into the swing of the school routines. We are extremely pleased with the positive start to the term, the children's attitudes to learning and meeting our expectations have been evident throughout the whole school. Of course, we are thrilled to welcome our children starting school for the first time in Bee and Ladybird Class. We hope they will be very happy and successful in our care. The settling in period can be quite an adjustment, but it certainly seems as if the children are already comfortable in their new setting and are taking it all in their stride. Thank you to all of the parents for preparing the children for school; you should be very proud.

In addition, we welcome Jessica who has joined Year 1, Elodie who has joined Year 2, Jack who has joined Year 3, Flynn who has joined Year 4, Ernie who has joined Year 4 and Eloise who has joined Year 6. We hope that they and their families will also be very happy in our school community.

We also welcome Miss Hill, a teacher in EYFS, who starts out on her teaching career as she joins Newbridge. Sadly, we say goodbye to Clare this week, as she leaves her friends who are now in Year 2, to start a school closer to her new home. Wish wish Clare and her family every success and happiness.

**Back to school information:** Earlier this week I sent a letter to all parents with many school expectations and routines. This may be useful to refer to, and so you can find it on [this](#) page on the school website.

In line with the information shared at the Meet the Teacher meetings, you will find out about the routines in each class on the 'About Us' documents which will be uploaded on the class pages next week. The Spelling Lists for Year 2 to Year 6 will also be available on the class pages next week.

**Summer Works:** School life didn't stop at the end of the Summer Term. Throughout the entire holiday period, the school site has been a hive of activity. Mr Clark ensured all of the teams on site kept to timescale, meaning we were ready for the start of term. The whole of the Lower School building has been rewired, and with LED lights fitted. To complete these works, each classroom was repainted. In the Upper School, the majority of the lights have been replaced with LED fittings, and the outstanding work will be completed in half term. As well as this, a good friend of the school, Alan Dorrington, has helped remove the old adventure trail and uneven flooring in the Upper School. Our aim, once all of the waste is removed, is to lay wood chippings to improve the play area. If any parents would kindly be able to help with this, we will coordinate some weekend dates. Please let the office know if you are able to help.

The icing on the cake has to be re-siting of our new Library! We are more than thrilled that with the extremely generous support of the NPSA and many parents, this will soon be ready for use in the Upper School Foyer. We are so grateful to Fran Derrien who led on the project, and to James Nash who designed the space and who with Ro Derrien, constructed the shelving. Many hundreds of books had to be sorted, moved and placed on shelves and this took a team of parents - Becca Whelan, Kate Taylor, Katy Read-Barrow, and Sarah Keep. The window art and some final touches were completed by Lucy Smith and Fran Derrien. It looks amazing. All of this work has now freed up the old library space for whole class music teaching and so much more. This space has been repainted, too. What a treat for everyone to come return to.

**Thank you, Newbridge Citizens:** One of our school values is Citizenship, and we promote this, along with all of our other values throughout all of the learning, daily activities and responsibilities in school. Very often children impress us when they take on their own activities to help our school and our community. Thank you very much and well done to Etta and Grace, now in Year 3, who made delicious cakes and sold them to friends and neighbours, raising an astonishing £100 for the NPSA. Our thanks is also expressed to Emily, now in Year 1, who, at the weekend, completed a litter pick in Charmouth Road to ensure the pavement was clean and tidy for the return to school. Wasn't this a kind and helpful thing to do?! Well done and thank you, to you all.

**More exciting news:** You may know that this week the Dyson Cancer Centre at the RUH was officially opened by Her Majesty Queen Camilla. To her surprise, Riya, in Year 4, was asked to present flowers to Queen Camilla, at the opening. Of course she was thrilled to do this, and you can see a stunning photograph below.

We eagerly follow the progress of keen golfer, Rhed, who is now in Year 6. Over the years we have enjoyed hearing about his latest successes and seeing the magnificent trophies he has won. This week topped all of that, when he announced that he had won the Club's Championship in the summer holiday, beating all of the adult contenders, including his dad! With this outstanding achievement, and a score of -7, he was interviewed for the news and you can see the article on the link below.

Well done, Rhed, we are SO proud of you!



# Amazing Newbridge Citizens



Etta and Grace baked delicious cakes and held a cake sale in the holidays. Their efforts meant that together they raised an £100 for the NPSA! Thank you, girls.



Emily K, from Class 1DO, completed a litter pick during the holidays around the local area. She wanted everyone to have a clean walk to school. Thank you, Emily, you are a superstar!

## Wow, Riya.....what a special day



Her Majesty the Queen, officially opened the Dyson Cancer Centre at the RUH on Tuesday this past week. Patients, staff, supporters and guests from the wider community were on hand to mark the occasion. Her Majesty was given a guided tour of the new purpose-built centre, and before leaving the Dyson Cancer Centre, Her Majesty unveiled a plaque to commemorate the day and was presented with a posy by Riya G, from Class 4B.

## What a news item...Rhed, from Year 6



Well done, Rhed – a professional golfer in the making!

Please view the news report about Rhed's achievement:

<https://www.itv.com/news/westcountry/2024-08-29/the-10-year-old-golfer-who-beat-adults-to-win-his-clubs-championship>

# OUR NEW LIBRARY

Our children love their new library!

A big thank you to Fran Derrien and the following parents for making this happen:

Creation - James Nash, Ro Derrien.

Book organisation - Becca Whelan, Kate Taylor, Katy Read-Barrow and Sarah Keep.

Window Art – Lucy Smith

And of course, Mr Clark!





**Newbridge Primary School**



Online Safety Newsletter

Sept 2024

**Need app ideas?**

Internet Matters have curated a list of age-appropriate apps depending on what your aim is when your child is spending time online:

**Skill Building apps:**  
If you would like to help your child develop a new skill, then you might find some useful ideas here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/skill-building-apps-guide-for-kids/>

**Social Media Algorithms**

**What is an Algorithm?**  
Algorithms influence what we see on social media platforms and predicts what type of content we are most likely to interact with, thereby keeping us online for longer. The algorithm uses information such as who you follow, what you have searched for and what you have watched, liked or shared to determine what it thinks most interests you, to then show you this content more, for example, in the explore tab on Instagram.



This month's **Online Safety Newsletter** contains some excellent resources on apps that help support your children's learning, how to discuss distressing news with children and tips on creating healthy online wellbeing for the whole family.

[Click here](#) to find the link to the latest issue.



# Everyone Active

Sessions will continue each Friday morning at  
8.10am until 8.40am

We are looking forward to our first, free, dance session of the year next Friday with Lucy. 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.



## Neurodevelopmental Pathway Support Line



**B&NES Parent Carer Forum**

B&NES Parent Carer Forum is free to join. Just go to [www.banesspcf.co.uk/membership](http://www.banesspcf.co.uk/membership)  
Members get priority booking at all events, advance notice of activities, opportunities to meet other parent carers and much more.

Facebook: Banes Parent Carer Forum and BANES PCF Talk

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/banesspcf/?hl=en>

**The voice  
of parent carers  
of young people  
(0-25 years)  
with SEND**

- Workshops
- Cafes
- Family events
- Events for parent carers
- ND Helpline
- Peer to Peer Support

**The Neurodevelopmental Pathway  
Support Line is  
now open**

**Wednesdays 9am - 1pm  
Thursdays 1pm - 5pm**

**01761502515**

or email

**[ndsupport@banesspcf.co.uk](mailto:ndsupport@banesspcf.co.uk)**

**MORE SUPPORT LINES OPENING SOON, JOIN TO FIND OUT MORE**

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# 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  
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