

The School Day

Timings of the school day

Gates open at 8.45am
Gates close at 8.53am
Registration is at 8.55am
Lunchtime begins at 12:00 noon
Afternoon registration is at 1:00pm
Playtime is at 2:30pm (Lower School only)
The end of the school day is at 3:15pm

Arrival to and Departure from School

Lower School (Early Years Foundation Stage to Year 2)

In the Lower School children arrive with parents or carers from 8:45am. EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 children should enter their classrooms from 8:45am and before 8:53am, when the register is taken. EYFS children should enter their classroom, via the lower school foyer entrance, from 8.45am and before 8.53am.

At the end of the school day, all children in the Lower School must be met by a responsible adult. The class teacher will dismiss children into the care of a parent or carer. If your child is to be collected by someone other than the named parent or carer, please inform the School Office, via email, of the collection arrangements so that this can be shared with the teacher. If a parent or carer is late collecting a child from school due to an emergency, then please telephone the School Office.

Upper School (Years 3 to 6)

In the Upper School children more often arrive by themselves. Children can begin entering the school from 8:45am. Gates close at 8:53am. Registration will commence at 8:55am.

Punctuality is important so that learning can start promptly. If children arrive in class after 8.55am, they will be marked late.

Children in the Upper School are dismissed by their class teacher at 3.15pm.

Contact Information

Please keep contact information up to date and provide details of two emergency contacts.

Communication

You will receive information from school via email and the weekly newsletter. If you have concerns, please make contact your child's class teacher via enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk
Parental groups often set up informal WhatsApp groups. Please note that these groups are separate from school.

School Uniform, Code of Dress and Equipment

The Newbridge Uniform

All children will follow the school's code of dress, as we believe that dress and appearance reflect the standards to which we aspire.

Uniform can be purchased from a variety of outlets. Uniform with the school logo is available from Scholars, 4 Terrace Walk, Bath BA1 1LN Tel: 01225 462206

The uniform is as follows:

Winter

- Red sweatshirt or sweatshirt style cardigan. Sweatshirts with a school logo are optional and available from Scholars.
- White polo shirt with optional logo
- Grey trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafore dress
- Grey or white socks
- Grey or red tights
- Black shoes (no boots)

Summer

As above, plus -

- Red and white school dress (striped or checked)
- Black closed-toe sandals

PE Kit

- House t-shirt (as advised by the school office)
- Lower school black shorts, black trainers
- Upper school black shorts, white socks, trainers
- If required a tracksuit in plain dark colour (navy or black)

Other

- Hair should be kept tidy and off the face. Hair longer than collar length should be tied back.
- All watches must be removed for all P.E. sessions
- No jewellery should be worn; only watches (Key Stage 2) and stud earrings are allowed
- Nail varnish and cosmetics are not allowed in school
- Temporary tattoos are not allowed
- Suitable shoes only are to be worn
- Trainers, apart from PE or as an option for playing on the field or playground, are not allowed to be worn in school
- Sweatshirts and cardigans should not be tied around the waist

Please can all parents and carers ensure that all clothing and belongings are clearly named

Equipment

Children should not bring any stationery (pens, pencils, notepads etc) into school from home. We provide everything that the children need.

Children need a book bag to carry books and possessions to school.

Children will need a water bottle which must be named.

Children will need wellies and a waterproof coat and trousers when participating in Forest School. In the Summer we ask that children wear hats. A Newbridge hat can be purchased at the School Office.

Healthy Lifestyles, Healthy Children

Drinks

We ask that your child only has water to drink in school. They should come to school each day with a freshly filled water bottle, which can then be re-filled in school.

Free milk is available for children until the day of their fifth birthday.

Snacks

Newbridge Primary School belongs to the 'Free Fruit for Schools Scheme' which provides fruit to EYFS, and Key Stage 1 children. We encourage the children to eat healthy snacks of either fruit or vegetables during snack time.

Key Stage 2 children may bring in a healthy snack for consumption at break time. This must be a piece of fruit or vegetable.

School Meals

Our school meals are popular and accommodate all tastes as well as providing excellent value for money. All children in Early Years Foundation Stage, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal under a government initiative.

For Years 3 through to 6 there is an on-line payment system. Dinner money should be paid in advance weekly, monthly or termly.

A vegetarian alternative is always available to the main meal, as is a choice of vegetables or salad and traditional pudding, fresh fruit, or voghurt.

If your family receives elements of Universal Credit, you may be eligible to claim for free school meals. Please enquire at the School Office for further details.

Even if your child wishes to have sandwiches, please apply for free school meals, as eligibility may mean your child can access additional provision in school including part payment of trips, clubs, and activities.

Packed Lunches

You may prefer to send your child with a healthy packed lunch, please ensure all lunch boxes and containers are clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

We ask that packed lunches do not contain nuts as we have some children in school who are severely allergic to them. Only water is to be drunk with the packed lunch and this is provided at each meal time. Please do not send another drink to school.

Travel To and From School

We encourage walking, scooting, or cycling to school. We have a bicycle/scooter racks where bikes/scooters can be stored during the school day. The school cannot take responsibility for any loss/damage so please do ensure that a padlock is used to secure your property.

Medical Needs

If your child has prescribed medicine that may need to be administered in the school day, an indemnity form needs to be completed by the parent.

If your child has sickness and diarrhoea, they will need to stay off school for 48 hours after the last episode.

Website

To find information, based on our different policies, please click here.

For sign up information for Extra Curricular clubs, please click here.

For useful forms, including Medical Indemnity, Request for Absence and Application for Free School Meals, please <u>click here</u>.

The School Year, Holiday Dates and INSET days

B&NES Term dates. Please see below for INSET days.	
Term One	
Start:	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025
Finish:	Thursday 23 rd October 2025
Term Two	
Start:	Monday 3 rd November 2025
Finish:	Friday 19 th December 2025
Term Three	
Start:	Tuesday 6 th January 2026
Finish:	Friday 13 th February 2026
Term Four	
Start:	Monday 23 rd February 2026
Finish:	Thursday 2 nd April 2026
Term Five	
Start:	Monday 20 th April 2026
Finish:	Friday 22 nd May 2026
Term Six	
Start:	Monday 1 st June 2026
Finish:	Tuesday 21st July 2026

Public Holidays:

25th December 2025 – Christmas Day 26th December 2025 – Boxing Day 1st January 2026 – New Year's Day 3rd April 2026 – Good Friday 6th April 2026 – Easter Monday 4th May 2026 – May Day Bank Holiday 25th May 2026 – Spring Bank Holiday 31st August 2026 – Summer Bank Holiday

The Staff training days (INSET days) are:

Tuesday 2nd September 2025 Friday 24th October 2025 Monday 5th January 2026 Friday 26th June 2026 Wednesday 22nd July 2026

The school year is based on a calendar of 195 days for the 2025/2026 academic year. There are five days set aside for staff training which means that the school will be open to receive pupils for the legal minimum of 190 days (380 sessions).

Useful Contact Numbers and Addresses

Admissions & Transport, B&NES	01225 394312
Children Missing Education Service	01225 394241
Family Information Service	0800 073 1214
Parent Partnership, B&NES	01225 394382
Student Support Section	01225 394317
Bath & North East Somerset Council	01225 477000
Children's Service	
PO Box 25, Riverside, Temple Street	
Keynsham	
BRISTOL BS31 1DN	
School Nurse	01225 831666
St. Martin's Hospital, Bath	

For more information about the school, please see our school website