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NPSA Newsletter



Welcome!

Quite literally a very warm welcome back to one and all! To those new families joining the Newbridge community, we hope that you have had a positive first week and that everyone has benefitted from the return to school routine. The NPSA has hit the ground running and we are very much looking forward to a fun filled year of fund raising and coming together as a community.

Term 1

Mon 4 Sep-Fri 20 Oct

Dates for your diary



Fri 15 Sep - Back to Summer, 5-8pm



Fri 22 Sep - Cake and uniform sale
(rota and info to come via class reps)



Sun 24 Sep - Scarecrow trail



Tues 26 Sep - NPSA meeting, 7.30pm

NPSA Committee

The next NPSA meeting is at **7.30pm on Tuesday 26th September** in the Blue Room at school and everyone is welcome to attend. The meetings provide the platform to meet other parents in the school, find out what is happening in your school community and to really become a part of your child's Newbridge experience. There is absolutely no requirement for you to speak in the meeting if you don't wish to; we totally understand that not everyone is comfortable doing so and there will be opportunities for you to anonymously have your say.

Dates for NPSA meetings: 26th Sep, 7th Nov, 23rd Jan, 19th Mar, 30th Apr, 2nd July (AGM)



There have been a few changes to the committee members this year:

Fran Derrien (r) replaces Ash Purves as the Chair.
Amy Swinburne-Goode (c) has been appointed Vice Chair.
Becca Whelan (l) replaces Kathy Runacres as Treasurer.

All other committee members remain the same. If you'd like to see who we are, or find a list of this year's class reps then you can do so [here](#).

Back to Summer



We thought it would be rather nice to start the year with a community gathering, giving everyone the opportunity to have a catch up and for new families to make some more connections. So on **Friday 15th September (5-8pm)**, we'd like to invite you all to bring a picnic and join us on the field for some musical entertainment - including some rather fantastic ex-Newbridge Students - and some inflatable fun.

There will be drinks refreshments available (card only) but please do bring your own cups. Tickets cost £2 per person with pre-schoolers going free. Tickets are limited (over 1/4 have already been sold!) so snap some up by using the QR code at the bottom of the page or by clicking [here](#).

If there are any remaining tickets, you will be able to pay for entry at the gate. It would be very much appreciated if you can bring bags to collect your rubbish to take home - thank you. If you are available to volunteer on the bar, manning the inflatable or with the tidy up, please let us know by emailing npsabath@gmail.com with subject heading "back to summer", or by contacting your class rep.

Get in touch

If you have an idea for an event you'd like to organise, or are able to help with one of our planned events, the best way to get in touch is by email - npsabath@gmail.com



Scarecrow trail – Sun 24 September

Thanks to all those wonderful people who have signed up to this year's Scarecrow Trail.

For those who haven't participated in this event before, houses around the Newbridge community host a scarecrow based on this year's theme "My favourite book". You'll be able to buy a map of the trail and answer sheet for £2 (details on when and where these will be available via class reps soon). Make your way round the trail and fill in your sheet guessing the books or characters.



The 100 Club

Two draws were made on 6 September. Numbers 67, 52 and 23 were August's winners. Numbers 66, 39 and 15 took the prizes in September.

The 100 club is a great, and very easy, way for you to support the NPSA and fundraise for the school. The money raised goes straight back to supporting our children. You can apply for a number by filling in a short online form. Further information is available on our [website](#).

The school calendar

We urgently need one more volunteer to co-ordinate this project so that we can get it underway. For more details, or if you can offer your time on this one, please email us at npsabath@gmail.com with subject heading "calendar".

Quiz night – Fri 10 November

The ever-popular, ever-competitive, Quiz Night will take place on **Friday 10th Nov.** More details to follow soon but it's worth starting to get your team together, including a team name, and brushing up on your general knowledge! If you would like to volunteer at the Quiz Night with tasks such as setting up, tidy up etc, please let us know by emailing us npsabath@gmail.com with subject heading "quiz night".



Fireworks night – Thurs 2 November

Can you volunteer to help in the run-up to this event, and on the night? Help needed includes things like:

- ★ Preparing and/or selling hot dogs and doughnuts
- ★ Working on the bar
- ★ Ensuring parents and children stay behind safety ropes (hi-vis jacket included!)
- ★ Helping with set up on the day, and tidy up after

Volunteers taking on specific roles are entitled to **one free ticket** (for the volunteer only), if they volunteer before ticket sales are open! If you can help, please email us with subject heading "fireworks". The food and bar will stop selling prior to the display, so volunteers can enjoy the fireworks too. Details about how to buy tickets will be available nearer to the time. Please note that the display itself is set up and run by a professional fireworks company who we have worked with for some years. **Volunteers do not need to do anything with the fireworks.**

Ticketing news

Following the success of our summer fair raffle, we've decided to trial the same platform for the "Back to Summer" event this Friday. If you still haven't got your tickets, please click on the link <https://go.rallyup.com/npsabacktosummer> to order.

This platform not only provides a smoother, more reliable experience, but also enables UK taxpayers to gift aid their donation, allowing the NPSA to claim an additional 25% on each sale.

To help keep our costs low, the platform suggests a voluntary tip to cover expenses. This tip goes directly to the platform, and is entirely optional. You can adjust this to £0.00 by selecting "Enter a custom tip" beneath the slider.

We'd really like to hear your feedback on this new platform, so please let us know if you have any comments or questions.



Good luck!

Best of luck to those running the Bath Half Marathon on **Sunday 15 October** to raise money for the NPSA! Please show your support for them by cheering them on or helping with their fundraising. You are all super stars!

THANK
YOU

The NPSA raised a really impressive amount of money last year for the school and a lot of fun was had doing so. This cannot happen without your support - thank you. If you are unable to join the meeting but would like to volunteer your time for an event mentioned above, or more generally, please feel free to email npsabath@gmail.com. In fact, we would love to hear from anyone with a fundraising or community idea that they are keen to implement, and you are invited to do so throughout the year.