



NEWSLETTER

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DATES FOR TERM 1

Tuesday 13th September

- Y6 - WW2 Workshop

Sunday 11th September

- NPSA Scarecrow Trail

17th & 18th September

- Newbridge Arts Trail

19th/20th/22nd/23rd

September

- EYFS Settling in appointments

Monday 26th September

- Clubs start

3rd, 5th & 7th October

- Classrooms open to view books 3.20pm - 4.00pm

Tuesday 11th October

- Open Afternoon for Prospective Parents

Thursday 13th October

- Parents' Evening (Online)

Tuesday 18th October

- Parents' Evening (Online)

Friday 21st October

- End of Term 1

Tuesday 1st November

- Open Afternoon for Prospective Parents

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are well and are getting in the swing of the school routines.

We continue to be extremely happy with the positive start to the term and, with this, recognise how much the children wish to achieve all of the routines and our expectations. They have all been brilliant.

A very warm welcome

It has been a very new start to the year for some colleagues and children. We offer a very warm Newbridge welcome to Mr Newman, who is a member of our Senior Leadership Team and Year 6 teacher, Mrs Berridge who is teaching in Year 5, Mr Mullee who is teaching in Year 2 and Mrs Gamon who is teaching in Year 1. A number of children have joined in year groups across the school, too: Isabella has joined Class 2R, Joey has also joined Class 2R, Sherhat has joined Class 2M, Naleen has joined Class 3BA, Jimmy has joined Class 4B and Milo has joined Class 5G. We hope they all, and their families, will be very happy in our school community.

And, of course, our Reception children have all joined Bee or Ladybird Class this week, following their visits to school last Friday. We are thrilled to welcome each of them to Newbridge Primary School, and hope they too will be very happy and successful in our care. All of the staff have been incredibly impressed with the confidence the children have demonstrated, along with the kindness and thought they have offered the other children. The settling in period can be quite an adjustment, but it certainly feels as if these 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 of them.

Google Classroom 'blogging'

Please know that all class teachers, from today, will be posting a short 'blog' on their Google Classroom Stream on a Friday. Google Classroom has proved to be a brilliant aid over the past few years for sharing learning and information and we wish for all families to access this. The teachers will provide an overview of the week, with photographs and any necessary reminders, and with this, there will be fewer photographs in the newsletter, celebrating school life. We really welcome engagement on the 'stream' from parents: so if you could leave a simple message, in response to the blog, we would love to hear from you.

Back to school information

By the end of next week, teachers will issue parents with information about the routines in each year group, the curriculum areas being taught this term and any relevant spelling lists. These will be uploaded to the school website, for each class, and will be found at <https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/classes>.

A brilliant Newbridge citizen

Well done to Georgie, now in Year 3, who has shown what a brilliant Newbridge citizen she is. In demonstrating our school values, she decided to help our Newbridge community, by undertaking a litter pick at the old Hartwell's site, on Newbridge Road. Thank you, Georgie, for your citizenship – we are very proud of you.

Attendance and punctuality

School attendance is mandatory for all pupils of compulsory school age and it is a priority to ensure children attend school regularly and are punctual each day. The school gates open at 8.45am and all children must be in their classrooms, for registration by 8.55am. Beyond this time, a child is marked as Unauthorised, or Late. Coming into class on time, supports all children to have a smooth start to their day, and allows for maximum learning opportunities.

If a child is absent, we must fully understand the reason for absence, and this must be telephoned into the school office before 9.30am. Any absence not reported will be recorded as unauthorised.

Extra-curricular activities

We will be offering extra-curricular activities from the week commencing 26th September. Details of these activities, and how to sign-up, will be provided as soon as they have been prepared. Again, we will offer clubs for no charge, to those children who are in receipt of free school meals, eligible by benefit.

Homework

We are currently revising the school homework policy and will share this with you, shortly. We will be renewing the Doodle subscriptions, but wish to approach this slightly differently, to increase engagement. Therefore, until this is in place, Doodle 'extras' will not be set. Meanwhile, the children can read at home and practise times tables, number bonds and the provided spelling lists, as year group appropriate.

Our NPSA – The Scarecrow Trail

Thank you very much to all of the families who have made scarecrows for this weekend's trail, our first NPSA event of the school year. We usually hold the trail in July, but decided to move it to now, as a welcoming start to the new year for everyone. The scarecrows will be displayed on a set route on Sunday from 10am to 4pm, with the theme amazing animals from books or screen. The trail map is available at Basil's Bakery on Locksbrook Road until Saturday, or at the school gate at pick up, today. Very kindly, Vicki Hirst has organised the event, with the support of other NPSA members - thank you very much for supporting our school and our community.

Gardening – Our School Allotment

Are you green fingered and have longed for your own allotment? If so, we have the ideal solution. We would really like to make the most of our school allotment and for the community to be able enjoy it, but we are in need of parents, or family members, to offer the allotment some expertise and TLC. If you are interested in working towards this, so that the children can become involved and benefit from the allotment, please send an email to enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk.

Open Afternoons for Reception children 2023/24

Looking ahead to our Reception intake for September 2023, please know, and share with friends, that our prospective open afternoons will be held on Tuesday 11th October and Tuesday 1st November, 2022 at 1.30pm. To register interest in attending on one of these, please contact the school office at enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk.

Term dates and the school calendar

Please refer to the school website for the term dates this academic year, including the agreed Inset days. These are in line with the Bath and North East Somerset term dates. <https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/school-life/termdates>. For school events going forward, please refer to the calendar on the website at <https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/calendar>.

This is currently being updated, however, events have been agreed for Term 1 and 2, at this time.

Email address for parents

For all correspondence, please can parents use the email address enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, and enjoy the Scarecrow Trail, if you are able get out and about to see it.

With best wishes



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STARS OF THE WEEK



Bee Whole Class

1EO Luke W & Darcey S

2R Bella T & Joey L-A

3OG Leona & Kameron B

4B Amira A & Henry N

5G Milo T & Henry B

6KR Scarlett S & Tommy W

Ladybird Whole Class

1G Sophia D & Theodore P

2M Sarafina D & Sherhat Y

3BA Grace B & Eddie M

4T Rakib K & Fern D

5HB Katie M & Barnaby B

6N Charlie B & Mia K

Music Stars of the Week

Jem C & Tom M



GEORGIE from

2R's

'Litter Pick'

WELCOME TO LADYBIRDS & BEE CLASSES







Dear Parents,

Instructor Nick here - Taekwon-Do is now at **Newbridge Primary School** & we are offering a Month Free! It's on **Mondays** during term time and is exclusive to Newbridge Students. It's all about:

Teamwork
Integrity
Growth
Energy
Respect
Self-Control



The upcoming 4 week free trial will run at **Newbridge Primary School** starting **Monday 12th September** and continue at that location going forward:

Infants (School Yr 1-2): Mondays 6:35-7:15

Juniors (School Yr 3-6): Mondays 7:15-8:00

Our classes are the lowest priced pro Tae Kwon-Do sessions in Bath. After the free trial, should you wish to continue, classes are £32 a month, which includes **all training, belts, gradings, replacement uniforms, patches, licensing, insurance & VAT**. Siblings train at a £9 per month discount.

To register, please fill out this form: www.tigermartialarts.club/monthfree

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact Kat, Tiger Admin on:
admin@tigermartialarts.club or **07921855900**.

Once booked, we'll contact you before the start to confirm details.

Many thanks,

Instructor Nick

Head Instructor & DSL

Tiger Martial Arts