

NEWSLETTER

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Tuesday 13/10/20

- Forest School for **2G**
- Parents' evening

Wednesday 14/10/20

- Y4 Forest School for **4C**

Tuesday 20/10/20

- Y2 Forest School for **2T**

Wednesday 21/10/20

- Y4 Forest School for **4H**

Friday 23/10/20

- School photographs
- **End of Term 1**

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have had a good week despite the many challenges we are all facing and the uncertain times that lie ahead.

I looked back at the school calendar and at the events and activities we would usually be holding now; these include school trips to Life Skills and the Fleet Air Arm Museum, Year group assemblies, the Harvest Festival, the residential trip meetings and cake sales. It is still so difficult to believe that we are in this situation. That said, school life continues to be very positive and every day we are thankful that we are fully open and able to ensure the children have access to the education and socialisation they deserve.

We continue to move forward too as a school, by modifying and developing our practice and the school's operations in light of the restrictions. Importantly, below, I refer to remote learning, should this ever be needed.

Everyone's safety

Firstly, I sent out a safety message this week and in case you missed it, I have written it again, as we need everyone's support. With more cases of Covid-19 being reported across the country it remains imperative that the set procedures are followed when dropping off in the morning and when leaving in the afternoon. Thank you for your help and support in the following:

- Pupils can only be dropped off by one member of their household;
- When approaching the school, and when waiting, families must ensure that they observe the 2 metre distancing rule;
- Parents/Carers must not gather in groups at the school entrances and are requested to leave promptly at drop off and collection;
- Parents/Carers must arrive at the allocated collection times to ensure there are not excess people waiting who have arrived too early;
- At the Charmouth Road gate, parents should enter, in single file, as soon as their 'lane' is clear, knowing their year group collection is next;
- Parents and children should always file through the one way system, and not return to use the same gate;
- Children should always remain on the pavement, using both pedestrian gates. Only parents/carers should use the vehicular entrance;
- We ask that parents considerably give way to others and move to one side to allow parents/carers and children to leave safely.

The collection times, dictated by your youngest child, are:

Reception (Charmouth Road)	Year 4 (Newbridge Hill)	3.05pm
Year 1 (Charmouth Road)	Year 5 (Newbridge Hill)	3.10pm
Year 2 (Charmouth Road)	Year 4 (Newbridge Hill)	3.15pm
Year 3 (Charmouth Road)		3.20pm

Remote Parents' Evening

Thank you to everyone who engaged in the remote parents' evening last evening. We know that it was successful for many parents, and that unfortunately, due to a problem with the company's site, not the school, some sessions in the earlier part of the evening were missed. Some of these have already been rescheduled and we will contact you if yours is still outstanding. This is a new system due to the current restrictions; however both parents and teachers offered positive feedback about being able to connect in this way. The next planned remote parents' evening is on Tuesday 13th October.

DoodleMaths and DoodleEnglish

This week, you will have received a letter from Mrs Keynes about DoodleMaths and DoodleEnglish. We are most grateful to the NPSA for purchasing DoodleMaths for every child. We had already purchased DoodleEnglish when the school had to close in March, and this subscription still stands.

Your child will be able to access all four online programmes: DoodleMaths, DoodleTables, DoodleEnglish and DoodleSpell. By today, all children will have received their username and passwords. We really hope that you and your child find these programmes helpful to have access to at home.

Remote Learning

In the event of a partial or full school closure, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we will share all learning activities through G -Suite and Google Classroom. This is a space where children will be able to access their learning online. It is a free resource that can be accessed from any device connected to the internet - laptop, desktop computer, Chromebook, tablet or mobile phone.

The types of activities uploaded to Google Classroom will be similar to those shared by teachers last academic year. However, in moving to this platform, we hope to make learning more interactive between the pupil and the teacher.

Of course, I hope that this form of teaching and learning will not be required, however we have to be prepared now, in case we need to move to this system quickly. The 'classrooms' have been set up and each pupil has been assigned a username and password. In the event of any closure we would like you to have some familiarity with the system. Therefore, on Wednesday 14th October you will receive full details of how to login and navigate the platform. A small 'assignment' will be waiting for your child as we wish to test the system to ensure you can log on. Please look out for the information to support you doing this, which you will receive by email.

Black History Month

Activities to promote Black History Month are happening across the school. Next week we will share some of this learning.

NPSA Events

I am sure you were impressed with the long list of great events that were advertised in last week's newsletter and again in this week's edition. Thank you to everyone who is driving these forward. The NPSA epitomises our strong community and, as ever, I am most grateful for all of their work for our school and families. Please look out for the link to sign up for the Autumn Trail.

Government Guidance Documents**What we can and cannot do following revised restrictions**

Please see a link to a government document about what we now can and cannot do, following the revisions by the government. This was last updated on 22nd September, 2020.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do>

School reopening

Please find guidance for parents and carers relating to school reopening. This was last updated on 1st October, 2020.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

Eligibility for Free School Meals

If you are in receipt of, or are currently applying for, any of the below listed benefits, your child(ren) may be entitled to free school meals. This is different to all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receiving the government funded school meals. The qualifying benefits are: Income Support; Job Seekers Allowance; Employment Support Allowance; Child Tax Credit; Pension Credit; Working Tax Credit run-on; Asylum Seeker or Universal Credit. I have attached the application form which provides further information. If you are not able to access this form, have any queries or would like to register by telephone, please contact: (01225) 394317 or email freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk

Additional Support

Please get in touch if you are in need of support with essential food and household items, due to current financial challenges. Please contact me in confidence via

contact.yourschool@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk. I will respond and outline the help we can give. Please be reassured that all stages of this process will be managed carefully and sensitively.

Mental health and wellbeing

Please do not hesitate to get in touch via email or by calling the school, if you are worried about your child's well-being. Here are some helpful links:

Better Health Every Mind Matters

Public Health England has launched a new mental health campaign to support children and young people called Better Health Every Mind Matters. This is a part of the wider Every Mind Matters campaign that is already available for adults. The aim of the campaign is to:

- Equip parents/carers and young people to take action to protect and improve children and young people's mental wellbeing
- Build mental resilience to navigate the Covid-19 outbreak and evolving mental health challenges
- Provide support for those children at greater risk of worsening mental health

The [Better Health Every Mind Matters](#) website is for young people aged 13 - 18 and the parents/carers of children and young people from 5-18.

Online resources

These are other online resources that you may find useful may be useful:

[MindEd](#), a free educational resource from Health Education England on children and young people's mental health [Bereavement UK](#) and the [Childhood Bereavement Network](#), provide information and resources to support bereaved pupils, schools and staff.

Barnardo's 'See, Hear, Respond'

Barnardo's 'See, Hear, Respond' service, provides support to children, young people and their families who are struggling to cope with the emotional impacts of coronavirus (COVID-19). You can access via the <https://www.barnardos.org.uk/see-hear-respond/self-referral> or Freephone 0800 151 7015.

School Nursing

B&NES School Nursing Service is available Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm.

Please contact the Bath Area on 01225 831666 or the Norton Radstock Area on 01761 408111

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Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely



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CURRICULUM CORNER

Super Spellings

Can you come up with a **mnemonic** for your spellings this week?

Here's an example!

FRIEND - Fluffy rabbits in England nap dozily

STARS OF THE WEEK

Bee Arthur C, Sophie S

1K Harith A, Sophie B

2T Olivia S, Grace W

3OG Lucy A, Zelda L

4C Minnie F, Daisy S

5B Jacob W, Bess P

6B Gracie B, Charlie G

Ladybird Hetty R, Leo T

1R Harrison H, Rosy T

2G Flynn N, Lilliana C

3KR Finley A, Frankie R

4H Delphi-Rae M-C, Xavier S-G

5H Amuri V, Felix K

6A Whole Class



SCHOOL LIFE THIS WEEK

"This week, **Reception** went to Forest School. We had lots of fun exploring a new environment, building dens, making potions and taking turns on the tyre swing!"





Year 1 Learning outside

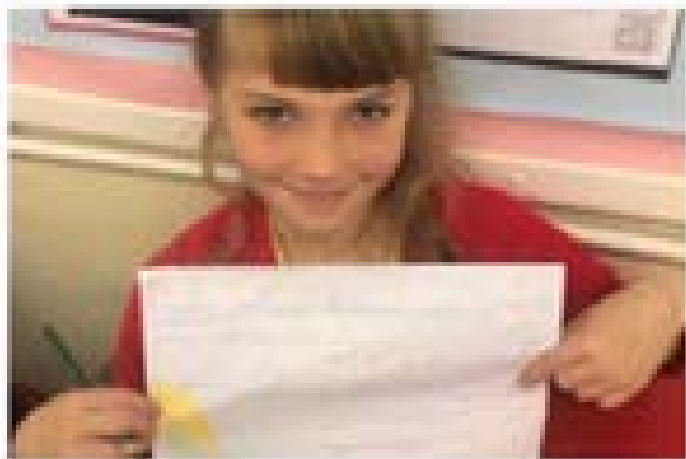




Year 2 on the field and with their numicons



In Art, **3OG** have been working on their drawing and sketching technique. They have been using shading to create richer colours and hues.



Year 3 have started to make their 'Moving Monsters' this week. We have been using our designs to create a monster with a moving part - using a pneumatic system! Can you guess which parts might move?



Year 4 Forest School Fun



Year 5 work on The Iron Man and tessellation in maths.



Winter Snow

The trees have no leaves
For it is winter.
The snow covers the
ground
For it's winter.
The Christmas tree is up
For it's winter.
But it is all over
For it's now spring.



Summer Stars

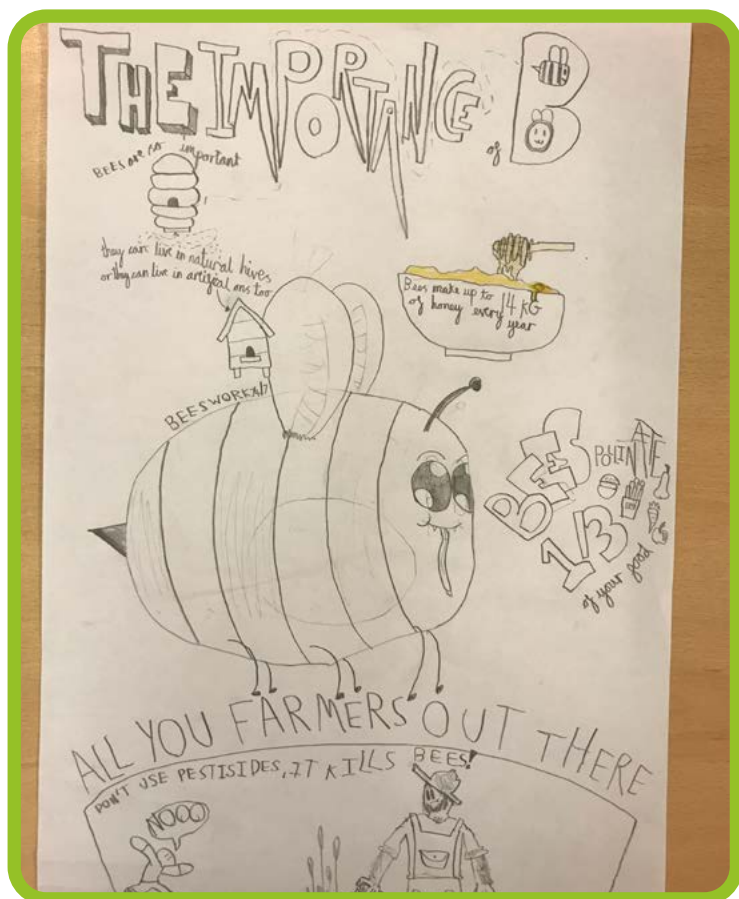
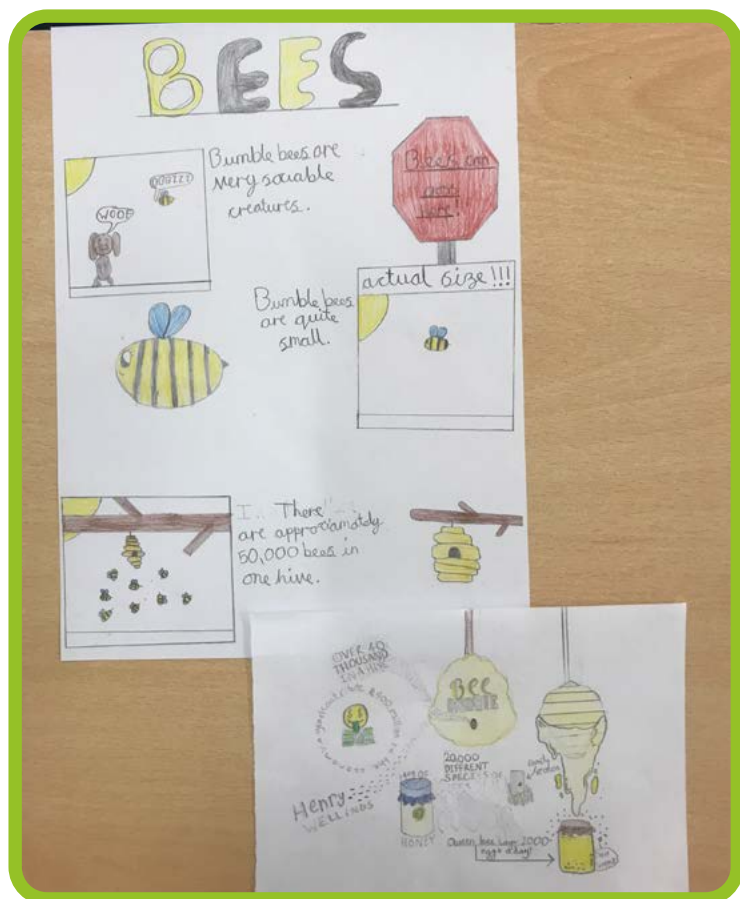
The intergalactic stars
Wheel through the sky,
The summer nights are the
best
For star gazers.
Enjoy finding shapes,
With your friends and
family.



by Ellie M (5B)

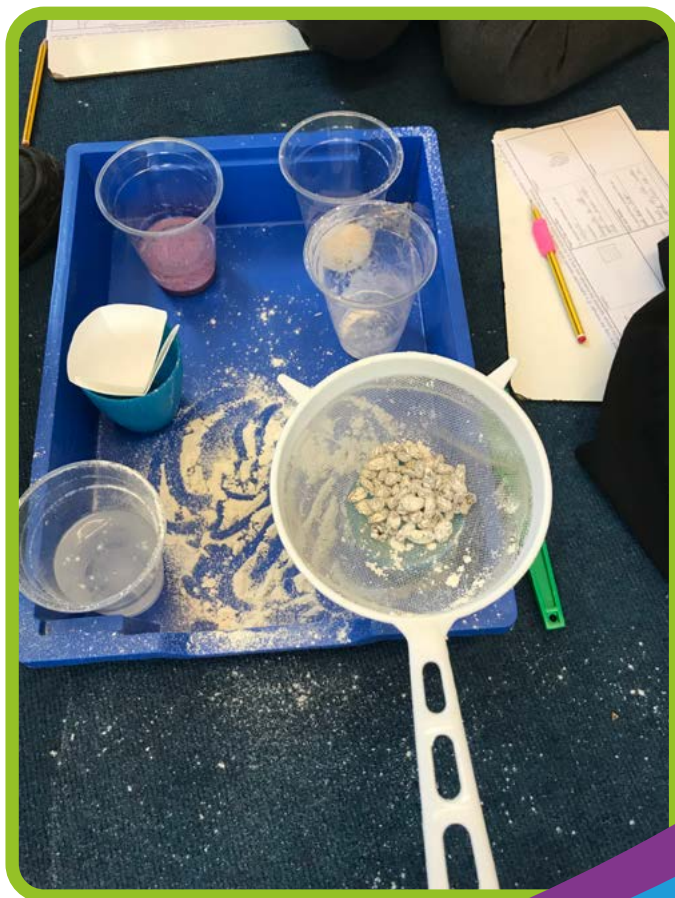
Year 6 designed infographs all about bees and their importance to the world. They redirected information and then presented it in an eye catching format.





Year 6 were investigating different processes to separate different mixtures of materials





WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

This year, World Mental Health Day falls on Saturday 10th October. At Newbridge, we will be holding our now well-established Feel Good Friday on 23rd October, the last day of Term. This will mark the first anniversary of the Feel Good Fridays, and we will be organising events within the classes by way of a celebration.

If you would like some ideas to celebrate at home tomorrow, then there are lots of ideas and resources available online.

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/campaigns/world-mental-health-day>

<https://www.who.int/campaigns/world-mental-health-day/world-mental-health-day-2020>

<https://www.mind.org.uk/get-involved/world-mental-health-day/>

<https://www.time-to-change.org.uk/get-involved/world-mental-health-day/>

<https://www.rethink.org/get-involved/awareness-days-and-events/world-mental-health-day/>

NPSA NEWS

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help with the events we have coming up this term. We now have teams busily working on the Pumpkin Carving Competition and Autumn Trail – much more on these below – and our December event, as well as ***TEASER ALERT*** something really exciting planned for January 2021.

Pumpkin Carving Competition

For the first time ever, the NPSA is running a pumpkin carving competition! There are three categories:

1. Lower school children
2. Upper school children
3. Adults

You can carve or decorate your pumpkin however you like. **To be in the competition, you will need to complete an entry form by going to buytickets.at/npsa and then deliver your pumpkin to school between 10am and 12pm on Saturday 31st October**, where it will be included in our Autumn Trail. Visitors will be able to vote for their favourite pumpkin and there will be prizes for the winners. **Entry to the competition costs £2 per pumpkin.** Entry is open now and you have until 17th October to enter. **Everyone who enters a pumpkin will also get one free entry to the Autumn Trail** (although please note that you do still have to book your Trail ticket, so that we can monitor numbers.)



Autumn Trail

Come to the school woodland on Saturday 31st October between 1pm and 4pm to complete the puzzles and games on our Autumn Trail. View the pumpkins and vote for your favourite, and enjoy a few sweets on the way round. Tickets cost £2 (one free ticket with every entry into the pumpkin carving competition) and you will need to book your timeslot online. **Tickets will go on sale before half term – more details in next week's newsletter.**



Virtual Quiz

Coming soon - our first virtual quiz night. Don't forget, **Friday 20th November at 8pm** will see the first NPSA virtual quiz night. Tickets go on sale after half term.

Amazon Smile & The Giving Machine

Many of you will choose to shop local this Christmas, but if you are shopping with Amazon, please consider using Amazon Smile and generating FREE MONEY for the NPSA. Simply shop at smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1014793-0 or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon shopping app, and Amazon will make a donation to the NPSA - and it won't cost you a penny! With Amazon Prime Day coming up on 13th & 14th October there will be plenty of tempting offers available online, so please remember to use AmazonSmile if you can.

You can also continue to support the NPSA through the Giving Machine for other online purchases at retailers like John Lewis, Tesco, Boden, Currys (and lots more!) Start your shopping at our Giving Machine page and a percentage of what you spend will come directly to the NPSA for FREE:

<https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/newbridge-primary-school/>



All of the events lined up for this term and in January are the result of parents coming forward with exciting ideas about how we can have fun together and raise money at the same time. If you've got an idea for a fundraising event or activity that you'd be willing to help organise, please get in touch with us by sending an email to npsabath@gmail.com - we'd love to hear from you.



Find us on social media

NEW! Instagram: [@newbridgenpsa_bath](https://www.instagram.com/newbridgenpsa_bath)

Facebook: [@NewbridgeNPSA](https://www.facebook.com/NewbridgeNPSA)

Twitter: [@Newbridge_NPSA](https://twitter.com/Newbridge_NPSA)

COVID-19 information

A quick guide for parents and carers



Please follow the advice in this guide. Only contact the school if your child is having a test and to let us know the result. Your school will not be able to advise beyond the information given here. **Please remember to only get tested if you have COVID-19 symptoms.**

YOU SHOULD BOOK A TEST IF YOUR CHILD HAS:

a high temperature

or

a new continuous cough

or

a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste



This means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure their temperature)



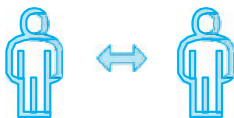



This means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough it may be worse than usual)

This means they've noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child DOES NOT have symptoms of COVID-19 but has other cold-like symptoms, such as a runny nose, they do not need to be tested and they or members of your household do not need to self-isolate.

Your child can attend school if fit to do so.

What to do if...	Action needed	When can my child return to school?
My child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not send your child to school Book a test for your child Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate Inform school immediately about test result 	If test is negative and child is well enough, and not advised to self-isolate by test and trace service
My child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not send your child to school Child to self-isolate for at least 10 days from when symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms) Inform school immediately about test results Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate for 14 days from day when symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms) 	They can return to school after 10 days as long as they have not had a fever in the previous 48 hours. They can return after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone

What to do if...	Action needed	When can my child return to school?
Somebody in my household & support bubble has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not send your child to school Household & support bubble member with symptoms to book a test Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate while waiting for test result Inform school immediately about test results 	When household & support bubble member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms and if child has not been advised to self isolate by test and trace services
Somebody in my household & support bubble has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not send your child to school Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate for 14 days from day when symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - even if they test negative during those 14 days Inform school immediately about test result 	When they have completed 14 days of self-isolation without symptoms. They must self-isolate for 14 days even if they test negative during that time
NHS Test and Trace has identified my child as a 'close contact' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not send your child to school Child to self-isolate for 14 days (as advised by NHS Test and Trace) - even if they test negative during those 14 days Rest of household & support bubble does not need to self-isolate, unless they are also a 'close contact' 	When they have completed 14 days of self-isolation without symptoms. They must self-isolate for 14 days even if they test negative during that time
Your child has been in contact with someone who has been identified as a 'close contact' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend school as normal If your child does not have any COVID-19 symptoms they should carry on with normal activities 	Attend school as normal
We / my child has travelled abroad and has to self-isolate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not send your child to school Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate for 14 days - even if they test negative during those 14 days Travel reminders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not take unauthorised leave in term time Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel Provide information to school as per attendance policy 	When the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during those 14 days
We have received advice from a medical / official source that my child must resume shielding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not send your child to school. Contact school as advised by attendance officer / pastoral team Child to shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again 	When school / other agencies inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again

Bath & North East Somerset Council

Free School Meal Registration Form Eligible by Benefit (EBB)

All pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in state funded schools in England qualify for Universal Infant Free School meals (UIFSM), please contact the School.

Please register all primary and secondary aged pupils for Free School Meals - Eligible By Benefit (EBB) if you are in receipt of qualifying benefits as registration will attract additional funding for your child's school for Pupil Premium (£1,345 per Primary pupil and £955 per Secondary pupil for the financial year 2020-21).

You can register your entitlement for Free School Meals if:

- you have children who attend a school in Bath and North East Somerset or The Mendip School, Shepton Mallet, **and**
- you are in receipt of any of the qualifying benefits listed overleaf.

How to register

- Call 01225 394317 to make a telephone registration.
- Complete this form and return it to the address overleaf.
- Visit www.bathnes.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals to download and complete a form online.
- Email registration form or any query to freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk

Parent/Guardian(s) Details					
Title	Surname	First Name	Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy)	National Insurance or NASS number	Relationship to child(ren)
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Current Address including postcode			Previous Address including postcode (If you have moved in the last year)		
Email:			Date of Move (dd/mm/yy) / /		
Telephone:					

Dependent Children			
Please list all school age children who you wish to make a claim for.			
Surname	First Name	Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy)	Name of School(s) and Start Date
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Qualifying Benefits

Which benefit(s) do you receive? Please tick this box if you have claimed in the last month ☐
The date you expect your first Universal Credit Payment if known?

Income Support <input type="checkbox"/>	Job Seekers Allowance (Income Based only) <input type="checkbox"/>	Employment Support Allowance (Income Related only) <input type="checkbox"/>	Child Tax Credit <input type="checkbox"/> (without any Working Tax Credit and have and annual household income (as assessed by HMRC) below £16,190)
Pension Credit (Guaranteed Element only) <input type="checkbox"/>	4 Week Run on Working Tax Credit <input type="checkbox"/> (which is only paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for WTC)	Asylum Seeker <input type="checkbox"/> (Support under PartV1 of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999)	Universal Credit <input type="checkbox"/> Provided you have an annual net earned income (take home pay) of no more than £7,400 (as assessed by earnings from up to 3 of your most recent assessment periods).

Have you previously received Free School Meals?

Yes ☐

No ☐

Additional Comments:

The Local Authority will check your eligibility to qualifying benefits on your behalf using the DFE online Free School Meal Eligibility checking service. Your National Insurance or National Asylum Seeker Support Number and Date of Birth must be completed clearly and accurately.

Declaration: The information I have given on this form is complete and accurate. I understand that my personal information is held securely and will be used only for local authority purposes. I agree to the local authority using this information to process my application for free school meals and share with other Council departments to offer other benefits and services. I also agree to notify the local authority in writing of any change in my family's financial circumstances as set out in this form.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ **Date** / /

Send your completed form to: freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk

or: **Free School Meals** (Postal Address)
People & Communities Finance
Bath & North East Somerset Council
Lewis House
Manvers Street
Bath
BA1 1JG

If you have any queries or would like to register by telephone, please contact us:
Telephone: (01225) 394317
Email: freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk

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INITIALS	DATE