

Tuesday 20/10/20

- Y2 Forest School for **2T**

Wednesday 21/10/20

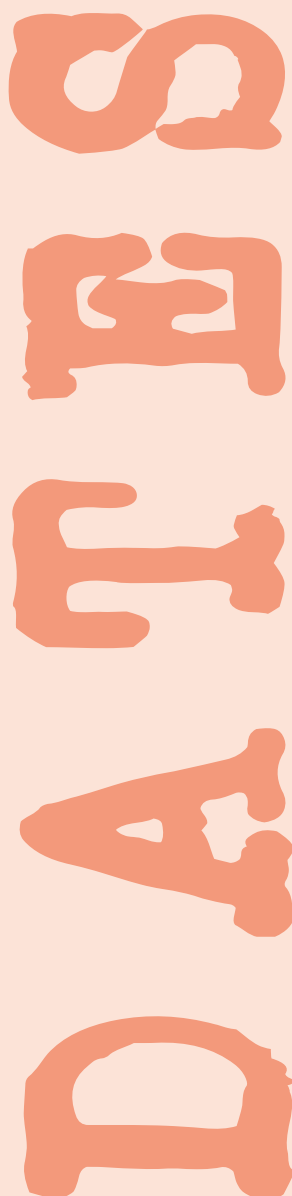
- Y4 Forest School for **4H**

Friday 23/10/20

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

Monday 02/11/20

- **Start of Term 2**



Dear Parents and Carers

We have completed week seven of our first term back at school and in reflecting on how the term has gone, we feel that we have achieved our best to ensure a smooth and positive return. This has been further evidenced this week. Firstly, the senior leadership team took time on Monday to monitor learning in all year groups. In sampling a range of children's books, we were impressed at the standards being achieved and the amount of quality learning completed. Of course, we would usually expect this, however, following the sustained period of school closure we were unsure how the children would return and the time it would take to 'get up to speed' with all of our expectations. Clearly, the children wish to achieve their very best and are motivated in their learning.

Secondly, the teachers were keen to tell me how much they enjoyed parents' evening and the opportunity to speak with you. Thank you for the many positive comments the teachers received, with the overwhelming one being, how happy the children are.

We have a great deal to build on next term. We feel confident in the knowledge we have of our children at this stage, and we will continue to develop learning further through the targeted actions of our development plans.

Remote Parents' Evening

Thank you again to everyone who joined these meetings on Tuesday evening. The teachers have completed the outstanding meetings from when the provider's site had an outage last week. I appreciate that a good deal of information is coming to you via email about new systems in school, however I do urge you to read this so that you feel fully informed and aware of how these systems operate.

Remote Learning

You will know that we launched our remote learning platform on Wednesday. Whilst this was exciting, I still very much hope that this will not be needed. I am grateful to those who have already followed the PowerPoint, have logged in, have left a message for the class teacher and have started to complete the initial assignment. The teachers are promoting their Google Classroom with their children, as we do need all children to gain access. If you have not already set your child up, please can I ask that you do so this weekend. This way we will be able to understand if there are any problems.

To be prepared, today your child will have brought home two exercise books. Please keep these safe and for the purpose of remote learning in the event of your child having to learn from home.

Attendance

Please can I remind all parents and carers that any absence must be reported to the school office by 9.30am and the reason for absence must be clearly stated. If we are unable to establish a reason for a pupil's absence, a letter will be immediately issued. Attendance matters at all times are of high importance, but at this time it is imperative that all procedures are supported and followed correctly.

Harvest

We would usually hold our Harvest Assembly celebration on the last day of this term. It is one of my favourite assemblies of the year. Coming from a farming family, I have fond memories of Harvest time and appreciate the hard work this entailed. At our assembly, we would usually display food items that had been donated and then package them up for a local charity. Although we cannot hold our Harvest celebration this year, we are keen to see if anyone would like to donate a non-perishable item that we could then donate to 'Weston and Newbridge Food Club'. This operates out of the Weston Hub in partnership with FareShare and is a scheme to support local families to access the food and groceries they need.

We would like to do this in conjunction with Emmanuel Church, which is also collecting donations. If you would like to make a donation, we will have boxes at the Charmouth Road gate on Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st October. Ideally, items can be dropped off as the children enter school. Alternatively, please ring the buzzer during the day and we can collect them from you. You can also leave donations at the front door of Emmanuel Church, Apsley Road on Monday 19th October and Thursday 22nd October between 8am and 5.00pm. Useful food items will include pasta, tinned fruit, tinned vegetables, rice, tinned soup, baked beans, pulses and cereals.

Attendance and symptoms of Covid-19

Please refer to the Public Health poster further in the newsletter which helps define symptoms of Covid-19 and those of a cold.

Symptoms of Covid-19 are:

- A high temperature: any new high temperature where your child feels hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure the temperature);
- A new continuous cough: coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours;
- A loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste: a noticeable loss of smell or taste or things smell and taste different to normal.

Government Guidance Documents

Local COVID alert levels: What you need to know

Please follow the link for Information on local COVID alert levels, including what they mean, why they are being introduced and what the different levels are. This was published on 12th October.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-covid-alert-levels-what-you-need-to-know>

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

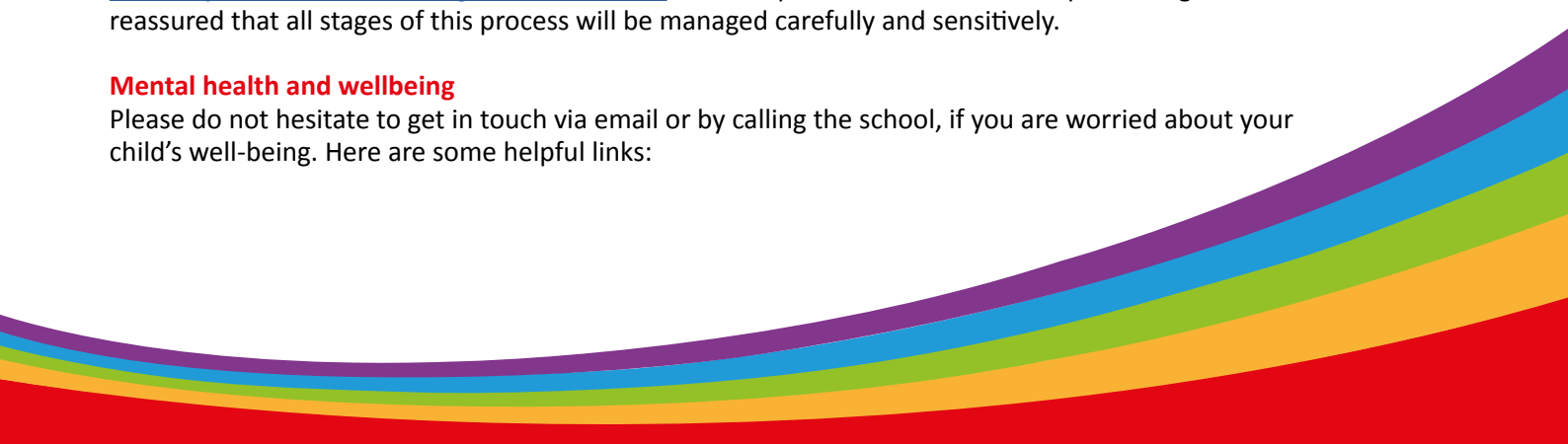
Additional Support

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

How many times can you write each of your spelling words in **30** seconds?

I wrote the word 'century' 8 times... can you beat my score for your spelling words?

Remember neat handwriting and finger spaces!

STARS OF THE WEEK

Bee Benjamin B, Matilda B-J

1K Leona K, Charlie R

2T Rufus O, Shadan S

3OG Thomas M, Ruben T

4C Henry J, Luke L

5B Eddie J, Jasmine H

6B Ruben H, Layla H

Ladybird Angus P, Matilda S

1R Ioan H, Khadeja K

2G Larell S, Harry A

3KR Maya C-L, Barnaby B

4H Sophie G, Millie S

5H Rufus K, Emma R

6A Reuben H, Jacob P



SCHOOL LIFE THIS WEEK

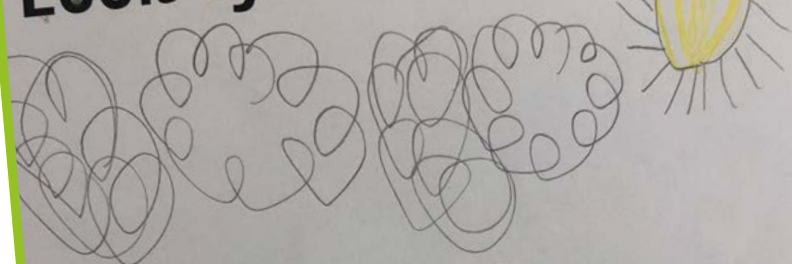
"In **Reception** this week, we recreated the story of the Three Billy Goats Gruff, after carefully making our own masks - who are we?"







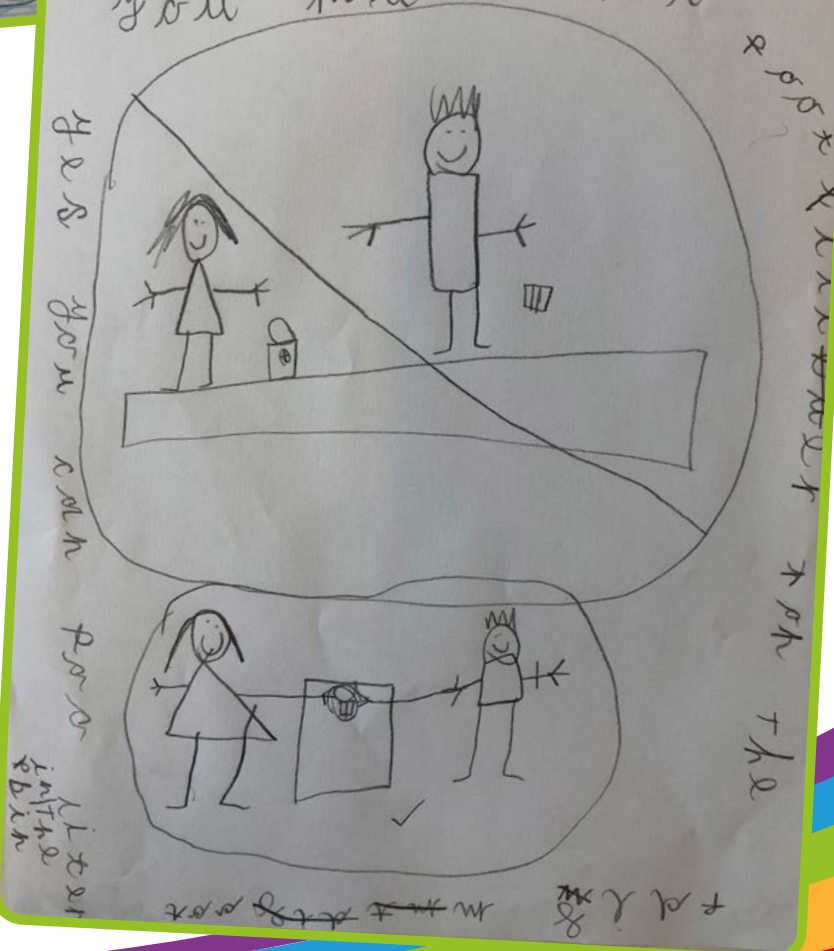
Look after our planet!

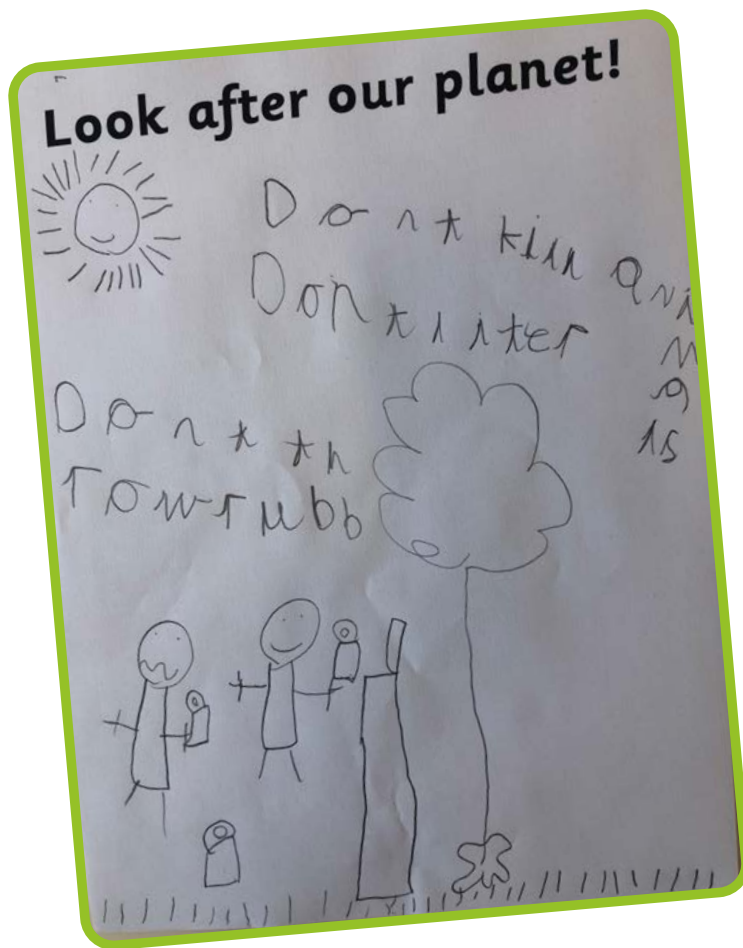


Year 1 Learning

Look after our planet!

you must not

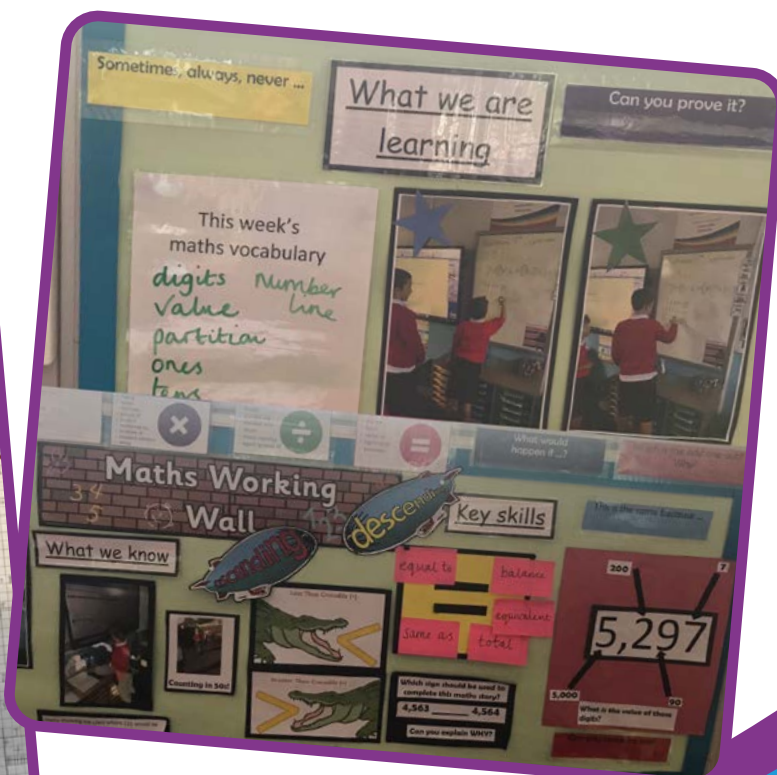
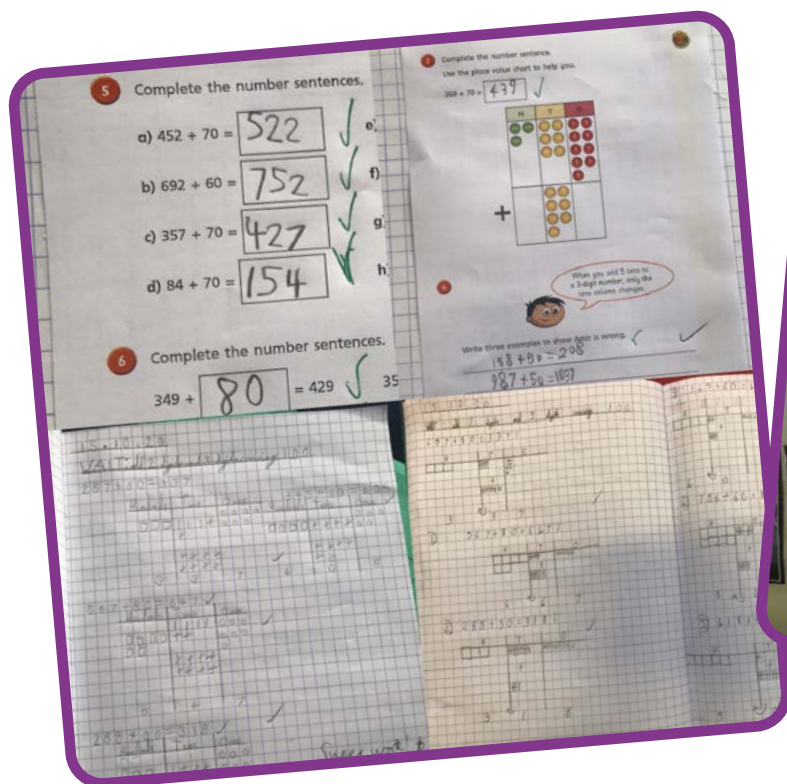




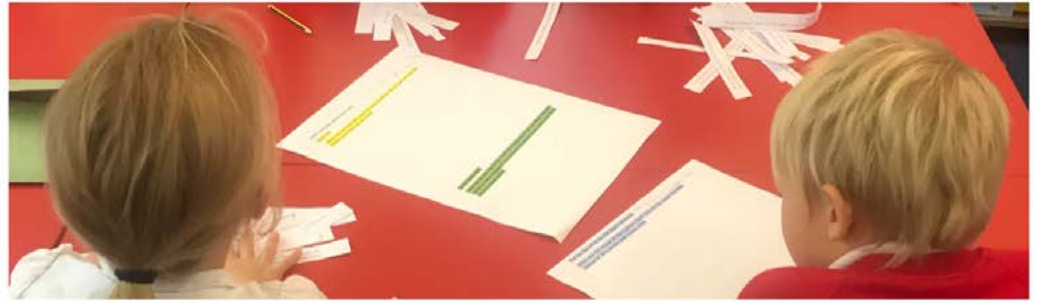
Year 2 working hard in a maths lesson



In Year 3, we have been adding 2 digit numbers to 3 digit numbers, crossing 100! 3KR have demonstrated how to do this using apparatus and their recording demonstrates a super understanding!



In **Year 3**, we have been reading about the importance of Black History Month. In English we have been learning about Rosa Parks who was called “the mother of the civil rights movement,” Rosa highlighted the need for racial equality when she refused to give up her bus seat to a white man in Montgomery, Alabama on 1st December 1955. He we are collaborating when sorting facts about her life.



PIC•COLLAGE

Year 4 in Forest School - Making Autumn decorations from conkers and leaves, and building and lighting a fire.





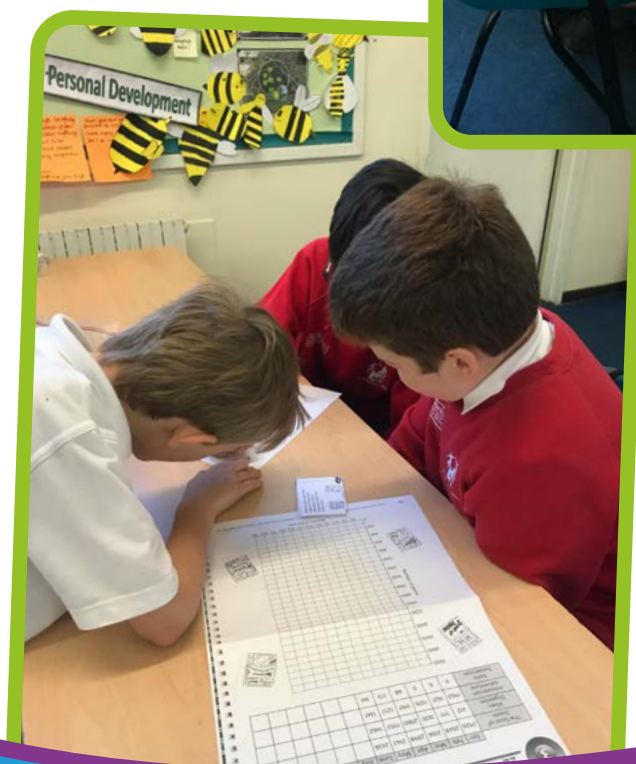
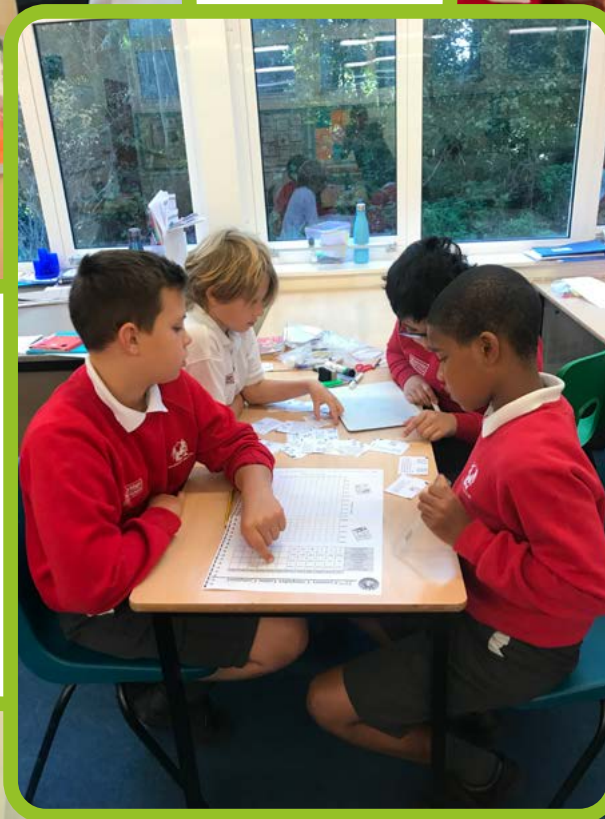
Year 5 science investigation work



Year 5 in their P.E. lesson



Year 6 working together to solve mathematical problems

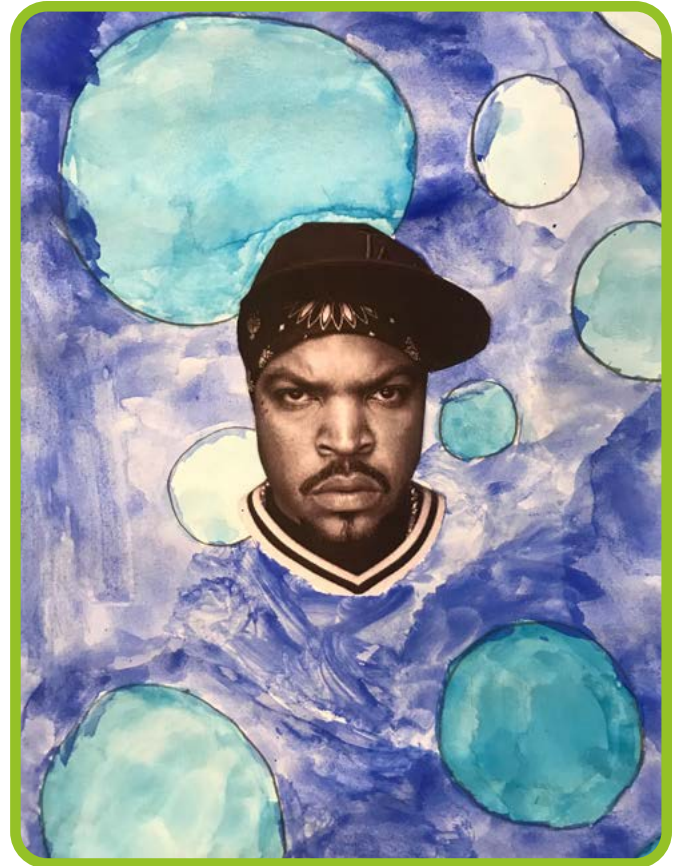


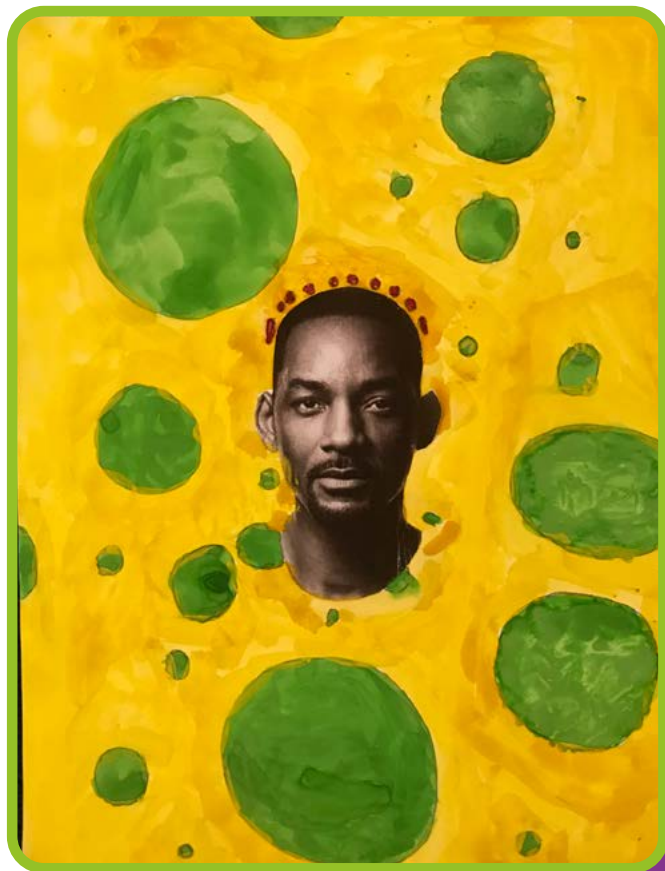
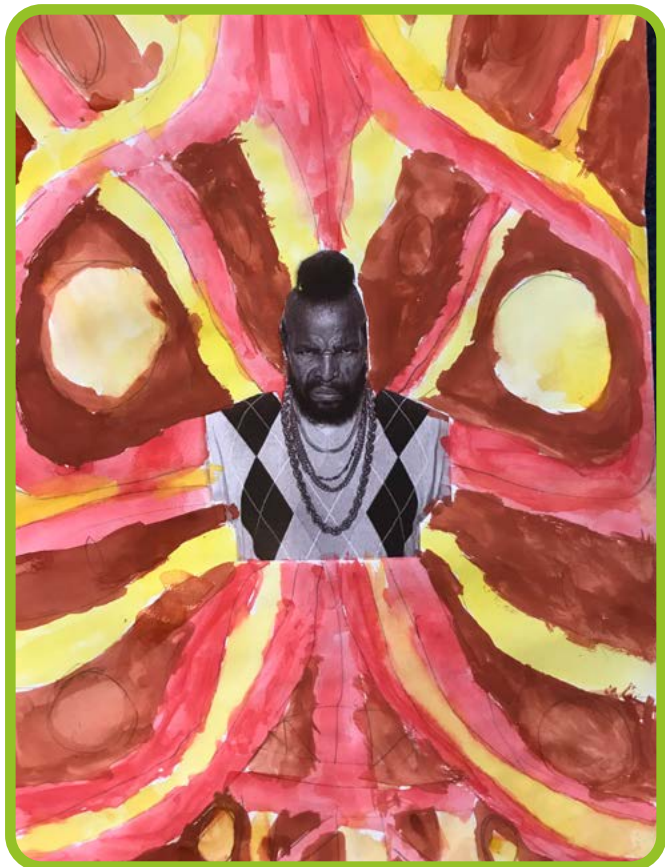
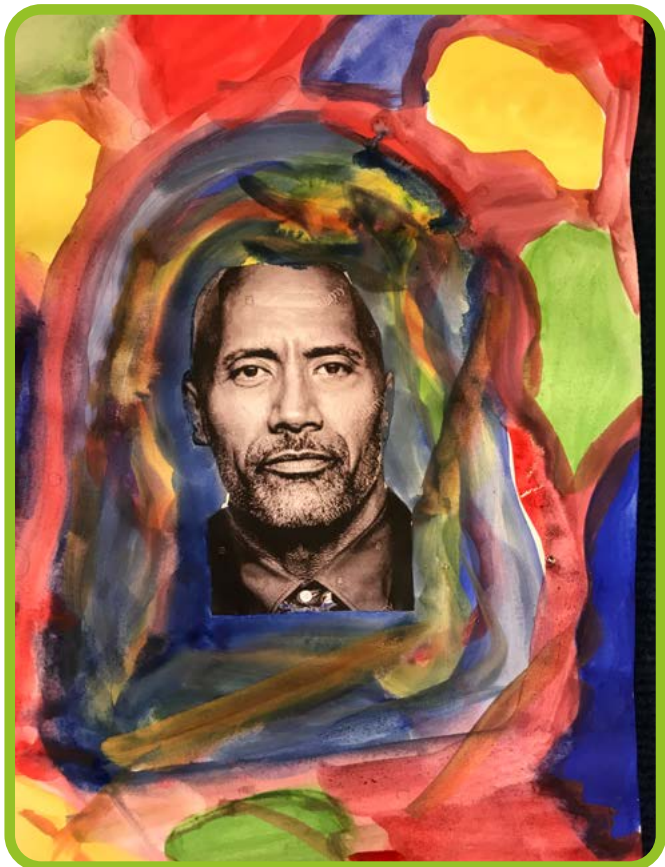
Year 6 enjoying Forest School





Inspired by the artist Jade Purple Brown Year 6 created their own artworks using inspirational black people as a motif







NPSA NEWS

Welcome to this week's NPSA newsletter. Half term is almost upon us - hooray! - and with it two brand new NPSA events: the Pumpkin Carving Competition and the Autumn Trail. Please do take part if you can, they promise to be lots of fun.

Pumpkin Carving Competition

If you haven't already entered, what are you waiting for?! Pumpkins are 99p in Lidl (other retail outlets are available) and there are hundreds of inspiring ideas for ways to carve or decorate a pumpkin on Pinterest. There are three age categories (lower school, upper school, and adult) so everyone can take part and be in with a chance of winning one of the lovely prizes generously donated by local businesses.

Go to buytickets.at/npsa to complete your entry form.

Entry costs £2 per pumpkin (you can enter more than one) and you'll need to deliver your carved or decorated pumpkin to school between 10am and 12pm on Saturday 31st October for it to be included in the Autumn Trail, where visitors will vote for the best pumpkin in each age category.

Everyone who enters a pumpkin will 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 between 1pm and 4pm on Saturday 31st October to complete the puzzles and games on our Autumn Trail, and to vote for your favourite pumpkins in the Pumpkin Carving Competition. You can even pre-order some sweets to enjoy on the way round.

Tickets are available from today at buytickets.at/npsa and they cost £2 each (you get one free ticket with each pumpkin you enter in the competition).

You'll need to book a timeslot, and - of course - follow the social distancing measures in place on the day. And remember to bring your own pen or pencil to complete the trail sheet!



GARDENING

Can you help?

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to help keep our school gardens looking good. If anyone else would like to join them, please email npsabath@gmail.com and we'll put you in touch. If you're in any way green-fingered, this is a great way to make a tangible difference to our children's school environment, and get to know some new parents at the same time.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE

Can you help?

Thank you to those parents who have already volunteered to put together class Christmas hampers for the raffle. If you'd like to volunteer to organise this for your class, please speak to your Class Rep to find out what's involved. As soon as we have a volunteer from each class, we'll circulate the themes so you can start planning your hampers.

CALENDAR

If you run, or work for, a local business that would like to sponsor the NPSA Calendar, please get in touch with Helen Clarke by sending an email to watkins_morgan@hotmail.com.

Sponsorship costs £37.50 and you'll need to provide a hi-res logo and a sentence or two about what your business does, to go on the sponsors' page. Your support would make a real difference. Thank you.

Can you help?



NPSA MEETING

The next NPSA meeting will be held on Wednesday **11th November at 8pm, via Zoom**. It will be a Special General Meeting, as we will be voting on some amends to the NPSA Constitution. The Zoom link will be sent out via Class Reps nearer the time, along with the agenda and copies of the amended Constitution for review.

We will be providing an update on the activities planned for the rest of this year, and giving all attendees a sneak peak at January's new event. If you have any ideas you want to put forward, or anything specific you want to discuss at the meeting, please email npsabath@gmail.com and we'll add it to the agenda.

Also, there will be wine. (Or there will if you pour yourself a glass.) Please join if you can.

Amazon Smile & The Giving Machine

smile.amazon.co.uk



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 Black Friday fast approaching 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

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Facebook: @NewbridgeNPSA

Twitter: @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

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

or

a new continuous cough

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)



or



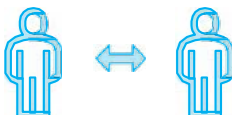



a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste

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? |
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| 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? |
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| 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?

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| 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:
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Email: freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk

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