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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have had a good week. School life continues as the new normal and again I am so grateful for the commitment and hard work of all the staff who ensure all safety procedures are followed whilst providing a broad curriculum. I know that for many of you, whom are working in different ways or from home, life will feel far from normal. However, please take comfort in knowing that the children are happy in school.

Remembrance

On Wednesday, the whole school, on the lower and upper sites, paid their respects and remembered those who had lost their lives in war. Currently, it is unusual for the children to come together, but in organising this carefully outside, there was a real sense of unity.

The children have been completing learning about remembrance and examples of their skilled and compassionate writing are published in this newsletter.

Face Coverings

I have been asked if parents and carers are required to wear face coverings when dropping off at school and on collection. You will have noticed that more staff are wearing these at these times. With the continued rising cases of Covid-19, I now politely ask that you do consider wearing a face covering at drop off and collection. In wearing one, I know that staff members will feel supported.

Please can I also ask that when parents and carers are waiting to collect their child(ren) that they observe 2 metre distancing and file through the one way system at their child's allotted time.

Our NPSA

Thank you to everyone who attended both the Trustees' meeting and the NPSA meeting on Wednesday evening. I can't believe how well supported we are as a school and a community, and am so grateful for this and all of the opportunities it provides. There are many, many events and activities coming up for everyone to be involved with. Please keep a check on the NPSA newsletter so that you do not miss out or miss any important deadline dates for ordering goods or buying tickets.

Punctuality and Attendance

Quite a number of children have arrived late to school this week; being punctual supports everyone to have a positive and smooth start to their day. Please note that all children are required to be in their classrooms by 8.55am and that letters will be issued to parents if a child is late on more than one occasion. All children are required to attend school each day, as the new restrictions do not impact on this. If a pupil is absent from school, without an authorised reason, a letter will also be sent to parents.

Breakfast Club and After School Club

Please note, that following the new restrictions, Breakfast Club and After School Club should only be used when absolutely necessary. It is imperative that all children are booked into the required sessions in advance to ensure staffing ratios are accurate.

Weston Food Club

The Weston Food Club, at the Weston Hub, Penn Hill wishes you to know that they are remaining open during this period of new restrictions. It runs on a Monday from 12pm to 2pm. Please see a poster further in the newsletter.

Symptoms of Covid-19

Any pupil or adult displaying symptoms of Covid-19 is not permitted to enter the premises. The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough;
- a high temperature and/or
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

If anyone has any of the symptoms above, they, and their household members, should self-isolate at home and request a test. Whilst awaiting test results, the household must continue to isolate. If the test is negative, and no other members of the household display symptoms, the isolation period will cease and children should return to school immediately.

Testing positive for Covid-19

In the event of a pupil or staff member testing positive for Covid-19, the school will take swift action and liaise with the Department for Education and Public Health South West, and their guidance will be followed.

Please can parents/carers immediately report a positive Covid-19 test result for a family member or close contact, to the school. Again, advice surrounding this will be sought from Public Health South West.

Updated guidance

This is the updated government guidance for parents and carers for early years, schools and colleges What Parents and Carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. This guidance was updated on 12th November.

Online Safety

In this period of new restrictions, it may be that more children will spend more time online. Please see <u>Support to stay safe online</u> which includes information on security and privacy settings.

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

School Nursing

Our school nursing team are available to support you with any concerns. Please contact the Bath Area on 01225 831666 or the Norton Radstock Area on 01761 408111. This service is available Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm.

I hope you have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely

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Bee Beau G, Mia-Louise N-J

1K James L, Alba M

2T Fern D, Patrick W

30G Patrick L, Emma H

4C Niamh H, Seb B

5B Zoe L, Oliver M

6B Fin D, Tor J

Ladybird Jos P, Alix M-C

1R Jack T, Precious F

2G Florrie S, Justice D

3KR Alden R, Nora B

4H Astrid G, Rupert N

5H Elijah A, Emilia W

6A Lewis T, Robbie F



CURRICULUM CORNER

Super Spellings

Can you write your spellings in alphabetical order?

What happens if they start with the same letter?

Challenge: Use a dictionary to find the definition of each of the words.

SCHOOL LIFE THIS WEEK

This week in the Bee and Ladybird class we made Diva Lamps





Year 1 learnt about **Remembrance Day** and Zach told the class about his great grandfather who fought in World War 2 and was awarded the French Legion of Honour.



1K looking at different materials in Science.







Year 1 and Year 2 during the 2 minute silence for Remembrance Day.





2G performing a Great Fire of London dance. In the pictures they are pumping more water to try and put out the roaring flames!









Year 2 took their learning outside and had lots of fun adding three numbers together!







In 30G we enjoyed being scientists by investigating which materials are most reflective and why. We also enjoyed using torches to find out that light travels in straight lines only.







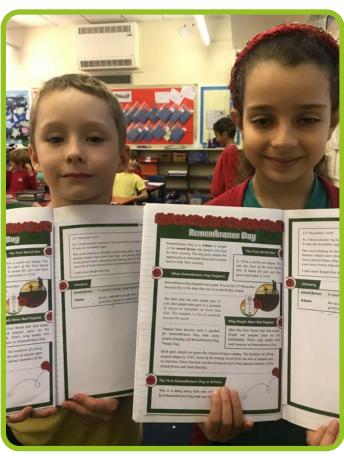




In Year 3 we read about the history and importance of Remembrance Day during Guided Reading. We have also begun this term's enquiry in RE - 'What is the true meaning of Christmas to Christians?'

We sorted different images of Christmas into a Venn diagram. 'The true meaning of Christmas' and 'Other ideas about Christmas'. Some images were placed in the middle as we felt they belonged in both. We will be reviewing our ideas at the end of term - it will be interesting to see if they have changed.





Citizenship

The Upper School during their 2 minute silence on Wednesday for Remembrance Day.



Year 4 in Forest School, making bows and arrows







Year 4 using computers to manipulate images







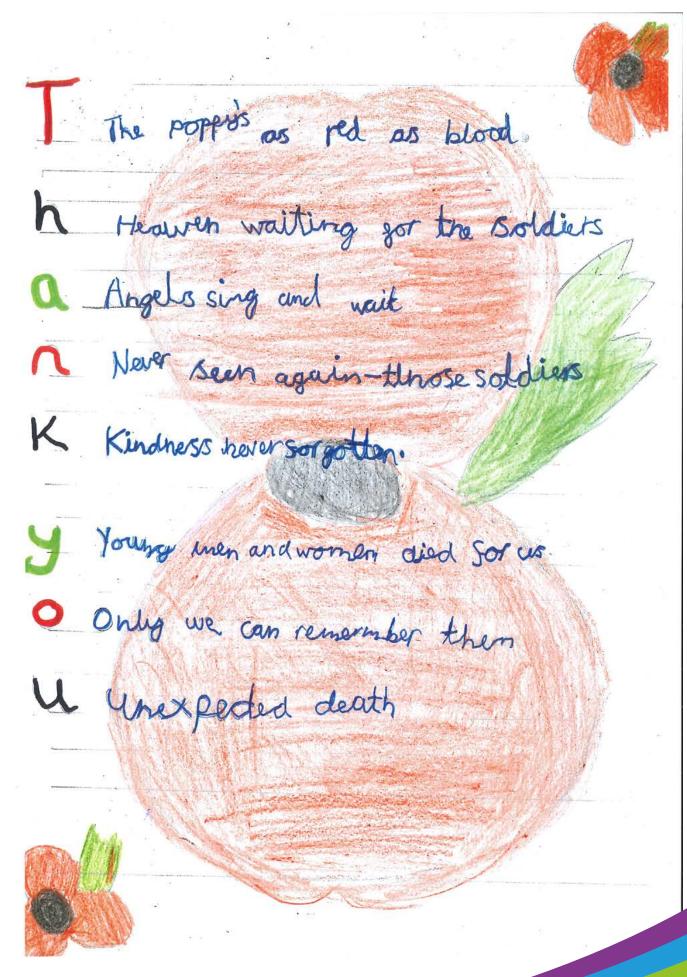


In Year 5, we have been creating an information booklet about the planets in our Solar System...





...and Jasmine made this great Remembrance wreath.



by Mckenzie in 5B

Year 6 have commemorated Armistice Day by writing poems entitled 'Remembrance'

We will never forget the rattling of the guns across the battlefield We will never forget the wet and muddy stench of the trenches We will never forget the deafening booming of the grenades We will never forget the whining of the air raids

Strong-willed soldiers fighting for their nation we will never forget
The blaring gunfire surrounds the field we will never forget
Silence echoes across Flanders Field we will never forget
Crimson poppies sprout across the field

Rest in peace

By Fin and Max (6B)

We remember the chuffed, bold soldiers in war They gave their lives for honour For joy For hope For courage We will remember you

We remember the gunfire that surrounded the field The smell of blood from the medical tent The smoke from the grenades The booming and rattling of the guns We will remember you

Whilst standing in Flanders Field full of crimson poppies
We will look at the moonlit sky
We will show our respect on the 11th of November
We will remember his last words that won the war
"Good luck chaps, we will remember you always and forever"

By Heidi (6B)

The wind howling over Flanders Field
The soldiers longing to go home
Soldiers desperate to live
The petrifying sound of gunfire
The fields of death
We will never forget what you witnessed

The young men sitting in the muddy trenches Boys crying for their mums Soldiers surrounded by destruction and death Gunshot deafening men Wives became widows We will never forget what you witnessed

The fear of losing your best friends
Watching the boys fall on the battlefield
Crimson poppies for each and every one of you
Mothers saying a final farewell
Your bravery and boldness – heroes you were
We will never forget what you witnessed

By Seb (6A)



Always and forever we will remember those who fell down before the rat-tat of the machine gun

Always and forever we will remember to carry on the brave legacy of the fallen Always and forever we will remember the corpse-filled trenches of the Somme Always and forever we will remember the bravery, the boldness from the young heroes

Always and forever we will remember the tears of screaming mothers and wives Always and forever we will remember their courage and bravery Always and forever we will remember the blood that was spilled on the battlefields

Always and forever we will remember the heart-breaking loss of life
Always and forever we will remember the hope and courage of a brave nation
Always and forever we will remember the blood that stained human history
Always and forever we will remember the bloody stench from the trenches
Always and forever we will remember that your last actions won the war

By Zac (6A)

In Year 6, as part of our Design Technology curriculum looking at Chinese inventions, we investigated the strength, opacity and absorbency of different types of paper.

















THE WESTON WELCOME CAFÉ AND **FOOD CLUB** ARE REMAINING OPEN **DURING NOVEMBER**

THE CAFÉ IS SERVING TAKEAWAY MEALS (No charge, but donations are welcome)

THE FOOD CLUB IS OPEN AS NORMAL (Pay £3 per family, and do your food shopping)

EVERY MONDAY 12 NOON TO 2.00PM

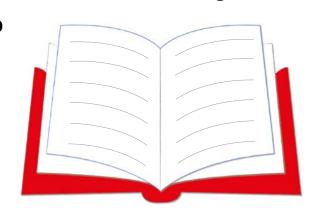
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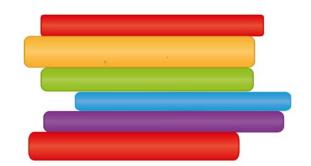
We love reading at Newbridge Primary School!

Reading is an integral and vital part of our curriculum at Newbridge and

because of this we encourage and develop your child's reading in so many ways. In class we have our Class Readers which your child's teacher reads to the class – these are book carefully chosen by the staff to inspire and promote a love of reading.



We also have our 'Must Reads'- six books over the year that we would like your child to read with you – these books cover a wide range of genres and are both fiction and non-fiction. A copy of these books can be found in your child's classroom or you may wish you buy them.



Our hope at Newbridge is to instil a love of reading in your child so that reading for pleasure becomes part of their time at school and at home. To this end I would love to receive any book reviews from your children – they could be a review of one of the Must Reads, a book that you have enjoyed sharing with your child or a book that they have read for pleasure at home.

Please email these to the school and they can then be published in the newsletter to inspire other children choices of books!

Happy Reading!

Best Wishes

Mrs Button



FOUNDATION STAGE

The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt

Jack and the Flumflum Tree by Julia Donaldson

Oi Frog by Kes Gray

Owl Babies by Martin Waddel

Penguin Problems by Jory John and Lane Smith

The Gigantic Turnip by Aleksei Tolstoy and Niamh Sharkey

All Kinds of People by Emma Damon

The Great Fire of London: 350th Anniversary of the Great Fire of 1666 by Emma Adams & James Weston Lewis

How to Catch a Star by Oliver Jeffers

The Polar Bear by Jenni Desmond

It Starts With a Seed by Laura Knowles & Jennie Webber

A First Poetry Book by Pie Corbett and Gabi Morgan

The Great Elephant Chase by Gillian Chase

How to Help a Hedgehog and Protect a Polar Bear by the National Trust

The Twits by Roald Dahl

Please Mrs Butler by Alan Ahlberg

Flotsam by David Weisner

Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan

The Boy Who Flew by Fleur Hitchcock

Ancient Warriors by Iris Volant and Joe Lillington

Pax by Sara Pennypacker

Rooftoppers by Katherine Rundell

Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly

When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr

YEAR ONE

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak

Man on the moon (A Day in the life of Bob) by Simon Bartram

Funny Bones by Janet and Allan Ahlberg

Dogger by Shirley Hughes

Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers

Seasons come, seasons go, Tree by Britta Teekentrup

YEAR THREE

The Magic Faraway Tree by Enid Blyton

On Sudden Hill by Linda Sarah

Varjak Paw by S.F. Said

Ice Palace by Robert Swindells

Knights and Bikes by Gabrielle Kent

Billie and Minipins by Roald Dahl

YEAR FIVE

The Nowhere Emporium by Ross Mackenzie

The Astounding Broccoli Boy by Frank Cotterell-Boyce

Wonder by R. J. Palacio

What a Waste by Jess French

Who Let The Gods Out by Maz Edwards

Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone J.K. Rowling



DOODLE MATHS LEADER BOARD

Well done 1KR for topping the DoodleMaths leader board this week with 41% of the children meeting their targets, knocking 3KR off the top spot into second place with 4H.

We would really like to see more children using DoodleMaths every day for 5-10 minutes. Depending on the child's age and ability, your child will have 5 questions to 8 questions a day to complete. The programme is most effective when used regularly for a short amount of time each day.

Class teachers will soon be adding topics which children have learnt in school to consolidate their learning. Please contact the school if you are having difficulties accessing the programme.

Ladybirds	37%
Bees	34%
1K	41%
1R	31%
2G	29%
2T	23%
3KR	38%
30G	23%
4C	13%
4H	38%
5B	14%
5H	24%
6A	4%
6B	7%

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2020

Citizenship

Those of you who follow the school on Twitter @NewbridgePri may have already spotted that we are planning to mark the start of Anti-Bullying Week on Monday by having an Odd-Socks day. Staff and pupils will be encouraged to wear odd socks to facilitate discussions around celebrating what makes us all unique as individuals.

The theme for Anti-Bullying Week 2020 is: **United Against Bullying**. Last year 75% of schools in the country took part, reaching well over 7 million young people.

If you would like to find out more about Anti-Bullying Week and some of the materials available for families, there is some very helpful content on the Anti-Bullying Alliance Website <a href="https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/odd-socks-day including a specific section for parents https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/advice-parents

Advice for Parents | Anti-Bullying Alliance Family Lives (previously Parentline Plus) 0808 800 2222 - gives support and advice for parents on...

www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk

We will also be asking pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 to complete an anonymous Wellbeing Survey which will allow us to respond to any concerns that they raise or issues that they highlight. This is especially beneficial in gauging how pupils are feeling about their return to school and issues in the wider world.

NPSA NEWS

Welcome to this week's NPSA newsletter. Thank you to everyone who ordered Christmas cards and other goodies last week; the order has been placed and items will deliver in the next 2-3 weeks. The run up to Christmas continues, and there are a few order deadlines coming up: see below and don't miss out!



Christmas Puddiags

Thank you to everyone who entered our Christmas Pudding label design competition: your fantastic designs made our job very difficult. Well done to Lucy (Y2), Sophie (Y5) and Isobel (Y5), whose designs made it on to our shortlist, and huge congratulations to Bill (also Y5) whose wonderfully colourful design (pictured left) has been chosen for this year's pudding label.

Puddings cost £8 each (they serve 3-4 people) and there are three flavours available: traditional plum pudding, lemon, and sticky toffee. We've taste-tested them and can confirm they are delicious. You can order yours at the usual address, buytickets.at/npsa and the deadline for orders is THIS SUNDAY, 15th November



The Newbridge Calendar 2020

The annual Newbridge calendar is now on sale, priced just £7. Pre-printed with term dates, and featuring a lovely, large colour photo of one class per page, with a full page for writing in activities and events (let's hope we'll have a few more of those in 2021), this is a genuinely useful purchase. This year, calendars are ONLY AVAILABLE via pre-order at buytickets.at/npsa and orders close next week.



Virtual Quiz 20th November

The first NPSA Virtual Quiz Night is coming up, so if you haven't yet booked your team ticket, do it now! The event takes place online, via Zoom, at 8pm on Friday 20th November. You don't need to be in the same location as your quiz partners - you will be able to use the 'break out room' function in Zoom (details will be shared with team captains after booking) as well as communicating via Messenger, Whatsapp etc. Tickets cost £30 per team of six, and they are available now at buytickets.at/npsa Bookings will close THIS SUNDAY, 15th November or as soon as we sell out, so don't delay!



The NPSA 100 Club

Another Newbridge first: we are launching our very own lottery: The 100 Club. This is a really simple way to raise money for the school while having a bit of fun at the same time. Membership of The 100 Club costs £2 per number per month, payable by standing order, and you keep the same number(s) every month for as long as you are a member.

There are only 100 numbers available and there is one draw a month, so the odds of winning one of the three prizes are pretty good! If you would like to know more about how this all works, please register here by 21st November. Registration won't commit you to joining The Club, it will simply enable us to send you more detailed information about exactly how it works and a link to the application form so you can join if you want to. We won't be publishing detailed information in the newsletter, so registering here is the only way to find out more. Remember, there are only 100 numbers available, and they will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis so the sooner you register, the sooner you can receive an application form and guarantee your place in The 100 Club.

Winter Windowland

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to create a window for our Winter Windowland extravaganza - we have over 60 locations already, but it would be wonderful to have a few more. To give us time to create our lovely trail map, sign-up for window hosting closes this Monday, 16th November, so if you want to play your part in this exciting and festive family event, please register now by scanning the QR code on the poster at the end of this newsletter or by clicking on the link below:

https://forms.gle/waibsq3EE1hV7osw6

REGISTRATION CLOSES

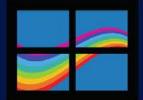


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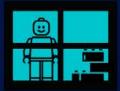












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