

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have had a good week.

It's been busy in school this week. A vast array of learning has been completed, some festive activities are being prepared, Pupil Progress meetings with all teaching staff have taken place, interviews have been conducted for various posts and excellent virtual professional development training has been delivered to the staff. We have worked on our school development plan and we will share an update on this with you in the new year. We continue to move forward as a school despite the restrictions and challenges, and remain proud of this.

### Well done 3OG

Thank you to all parents and children who engaged with remote learning via Google Classroom, due to a closure last week. This was the first time we have provided remote learning in this form and I know it will have taken some getting used to by everyone. That said, the children worked very hard to complete and upload learning tasks. Thank you, most sincerely, to Mrs Keynes and Mrs Ross, who planned, delivered and managed all of the remote learning activities, as well as teaching their own class. 3OG, we very much look forward to seeing you in school on Monday, and I am sure you will be looking forward to seeing your friends and staff.

### A Virtual Tour

Due to not being able to hold an Open Afternoon this term for any prospective new starters, a virtual tour has been produced. This is now available on the website at <https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/about-us/virtual-tour>


You will see our children throughout the film being simply brilliant – and as I always say, 'our best advert'. Many thanks to Mr Matt Amor who produced this film under all of the safety constraints and, despite this, completed a brilliant job. Thanks also to Gavin Osborn, who wrote the accompanying music you will hear on the video. Please share this link with anyone who may be interested in applying for a place for September 2021.

### Thank you for our Winter Windowland

Tomorrow sees the first day of this inaugural event. Having viewed the beautifully drawn map and the vast number of windows to find en route, I know this will be a real treat for all ages. From Saturday, you will have nine days to take in everyone's stunning creations. On each Saturday, refreshments will be available at Emmanuel Church on Apsley Road. The map is free to download, thanks to Winkworth Estate Agents, however, if you are able to make a donation to the NPSA, in return for enjoying the event, this would be greatly appreciated. Please see the NPSA newsletter for further details.

### Limited Festive Activities

I read the newsletter I sent on this date last year. There is, sadly, little comparison. I had written about planned festive events including the lower school nativity performances, the choir busking outside Bath Abbey and singing at the RUH, the nativity in Emmanuel Church, the upper school music concerts and our school Christmas lunch. How could we ever have known that we would be at this point now, where none of these events can take place? All of the listed events are opportunities for the pupils and we are bitterly disappointed that the children will not experience them this year or be able to give back to our community in the same way. We are planning some lower key festive events within year groups, including an online pantomime which has been funded by the NPSA, a recording of festive words and nativity scenes for you to enjoy and class parties. For those who have asked, we are not able, unfortunately, under the current restrictions and constraints to offer a Christmas lunch to all pupils this year.



**Tier Restrictions**

From Wednesday 2nd December, you will know that England moved into [local restriction tiers](#). Please also see posters attached to explain, in short, the restrictions for Tier 2 and Tier 3. Whilst Bath is in Tier 2, some families may live in or work in South Gloucestershire, Bristol or North Somerset, which are Tier 3 areas.

**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 listed, they, and their household members should self-isolate at home and request a test. Whilst awaiting the 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.

**Safety Reminders**

We absolutely wish to avoid any partial closure and therefore ask you to continue to comply with our safety procedures in support of this. Most importantly these are:

- When approaching the school, and when waiting, ensure that the 2 metre distancing rule is observed;
- Not gathering in groups at the school entrances and leaving promptly at drop off and collection;
- Arriving at the allocated collection times, ensuring there are not excess people waiting who have arrived too early;
- Giving way to others and moving to one side to allow parents/carers and children to leave safely.
- All children washing their hands when leaving home and before entering school
- Parents and carers, whenever possible, wearing face coverings at both the Charmouth Road gate and Newbridge Hill gate when dropping off and collecting;
- Only using Breakfast Club and After School Club when absolutely necessary, and
- That parents form a childcare bubble with only one other household for the purposes of informal childcare.

**Term 2 Gallery**

Please know that the Term 2 Gallery, displaying images published in recent newsletters, is available on the website at <https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/school-life/newbridge-photo-gallery-term-2-2020>

**Government guidance**

This is the updated government guidance on what parents and carers need to know about education settings during the Covid-19 outbreak. It was updated on 27th November.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>

**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](mailto: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 wish you a restful weekend.



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# STARS OF THE WEEK

**Bee** Duru-Nia C, Hannah M

**1K** Olivia K, Freja K

**2T** Thai P, James W

**3OG** Whole Class

**4C** Max H, Phoebe W

**5B** Rafaela V, Mckenzie C

**6B** Ben P, Seb D

**Ladybird**

Beatrix B, Ella E

**1R** Izzy S-G, Hayley M

**2G** Amira A, Jake S

**3KR** Elisabeth W, Harry W

**4H** Sebastian K, Mohammad H

**5H** Zach A, Eszter B

**6A** Henry W, Robyn W



## CURRICULUM CORNER

### Super Spellings

Have a go at '**Spelling Snowman**'  
(a winter version of Hangman!)

Set out the letters of your spelling word using  
lines: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Ask a family member to guess the letters. If  
they are in the word, write them on the  
correct line. If they aren't, begin to build your  
snowman!





# NPSA NEWS

December is upon us and although we haven't got a Christmas Fair to look forward to, we do have our new Winter Windowland event. We know everyone taking part has worked really hard to create their beautiful windows and we hope lots of families will find time to enjoy the designs on show. Do share your photos with us on social media, and let us know your favourites!

## Christmas Raffle

Thank you to everyone who has already bought tickets for this year's Christmas Raffle. If you haven't yet bought yours, you can do that [here](#), and you'll also be able to see photographs – taken by the very talented Louise Broom – of all 16 of the amazing hampers that must be won. In addition to those hampers, we're very grateful to Neil Clews for securing the donation of six stylish desktop anglepoise lamps as additional raffle prizes. The raffle closes on Sunday 13th December, so get your tickets now!



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# Winter Windowland

Our exciting new festive event starts tomorrow night, **Saturday 5th December**, and runs for 9 nights: **4.30-8.00pm every evening until 13th December**. There are approximately 100 windows to see, spread right across the school catchment area. Tomorrow and on Saturday 12th December, our friends at Emmanuel Church will be providing hot drinks and sweet treats, and all money raised there is in aid of the NPSA.

You can download your Winter Windowland map [here](#). This beautiful map has been created by Pascale Dilger, and you can see more of Pascale's work on [Etsy](#). This event is free, thanks to the generous sponsorship of Winkworth Estate Agents, but if you can afford to make a donation to the NPSA that would be very much appreciated. Everyone who makes a donation will be entered into a festive prize draw.

Feel free to share the link to the map with friends and family locally and encourage them to come along. Please do make sure you observe all the current social distancing guidelines, and consider wearing masks if some areas are busy.

## The NPSA 100 Club

If you registered your interest in The 100 Club you will have been sent an email with a link to an application form. If you want to join, you must fill that in ASAP. Once you apply, your numbers will be allocated and you will need to set up a standing order to pay for them. If you have any queries, or any difficulty with the application form, please email [npsabath@gmail.com](mailto:npsabath@gmail.com). To be in the first draw, on 6th January, your first payment must be in the NPSA account by 7th December, so please don't delay. If you missed the original registration deadline, you can apply directly [here](#).



## Gardening

This week, the gardening team was able to take celeriac, onion, beetroot and more Jerusalem artichokes to the Weston Hub. Some rogue strawberry plants – always →





→ popular with the children – have been moved to a free bed, and the team has been starting to make plans for growing in 2021. They made a new friend too: a gorgeous newt!



## Free money for the NPSA

If you are shopping online this Christmas, please do consider using The Giving Machine or Amazon Smile, and generating FREE MONEY for the NPSA.



For Amazon Smile. simply go to [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://smile.amazon.co.uk) or shop with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon shopping app, and Amazon will make a donation to the NPSA.



If you're shopping with other retailers, including Argos, M&S, Etsy, H&M (and lots more!), you can support the NPSA by starting your shopping from our Giving Machine page [here](#), and a percentage of what you spend will come directly to the NPSA, without costing you a penny extra.



### Find us on social media

Instagram:	@newbridgenpsa_bath
Facebook:	@NewbridgeNPSA
Twitter:	@Newbridge_NPSA

# SCHOOL LIFE THIS WEEK

The **Reception** classes had a very exciting week. We received a magical parcel from the North Pole and inside was an Elf. The letter told us all about the Elf, his name is Pop and he will stay with us throughout December.



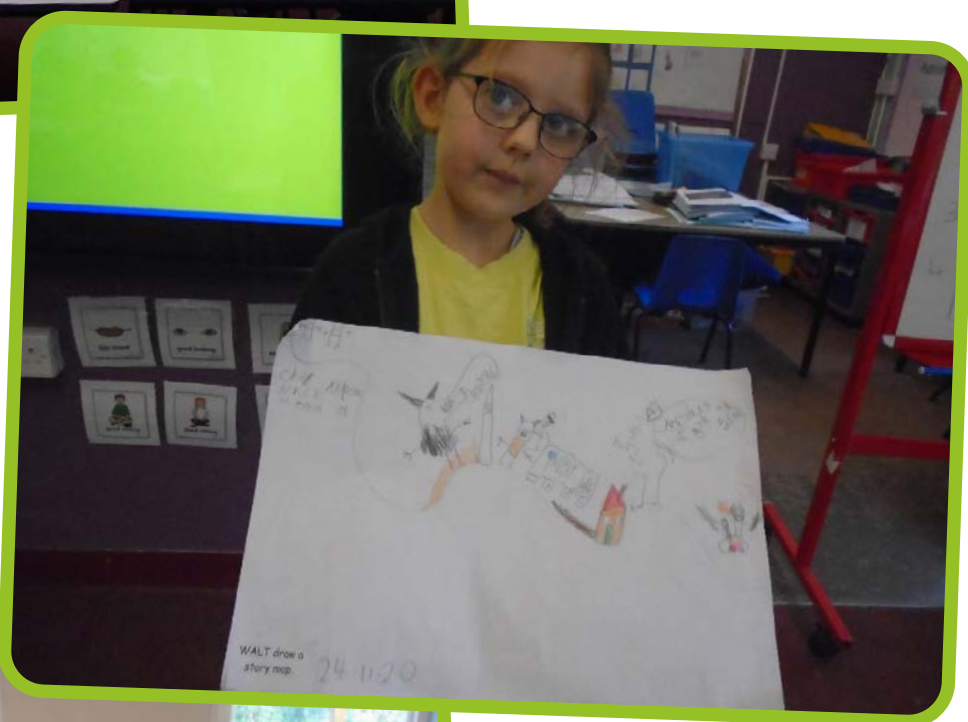


This week in **Ladybird** class, we enjoyed planting lots of bulbs in our flower bed ready for Spring.





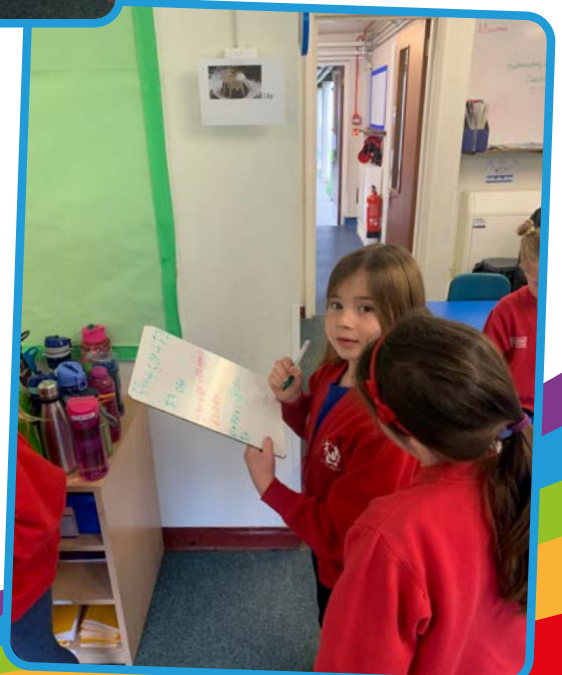
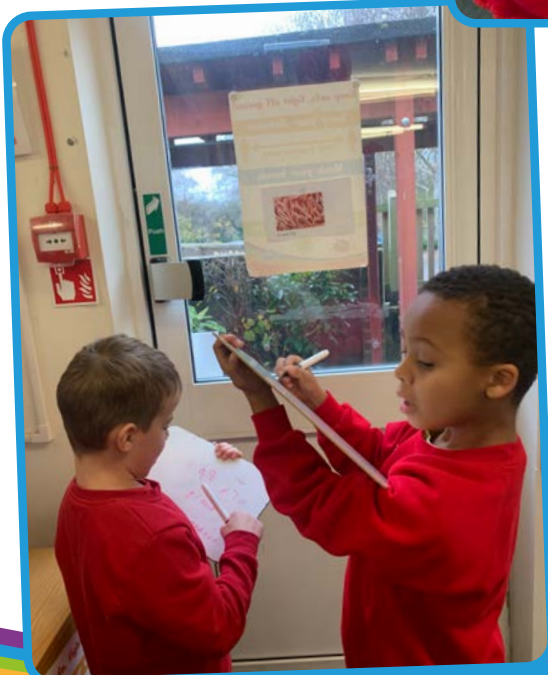
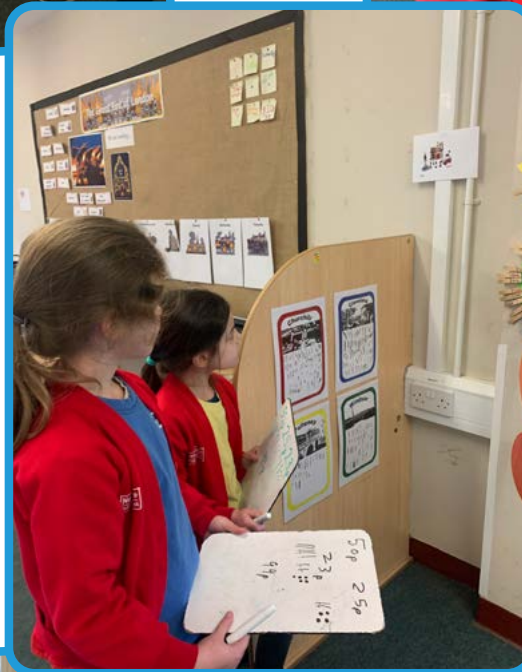
## Year 1 drew story maps in English to help them to retell the story of the Three Little Pigs







**2G** had a Christmas shop. The children bought two Christmas items and had to find the total.





**2T** had great fun in science investigating which materials would be suitable to make a raincoat.

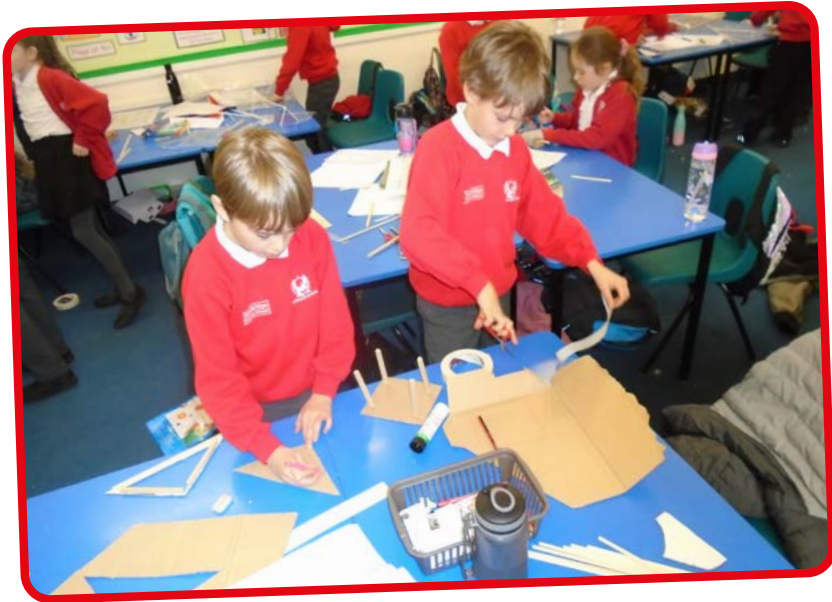




For Feel Good Friday, **3KR** read the story 'Only One You' and created their own pebble fish. They discussed the meaning behind 'There's only one you in this great big world... make it a better place'.







On 'Feel Good Friday',  
**Year 4** had a Design  
Technology Day where  
they planned and  
started to build their  
own greenhouses.





In **Year 5**, the children learnt how to debug a programme successfully in their computing lesson.



**Year 5** had a brilliant time at Forest School. They worked together to produce super homes for their animals friends.

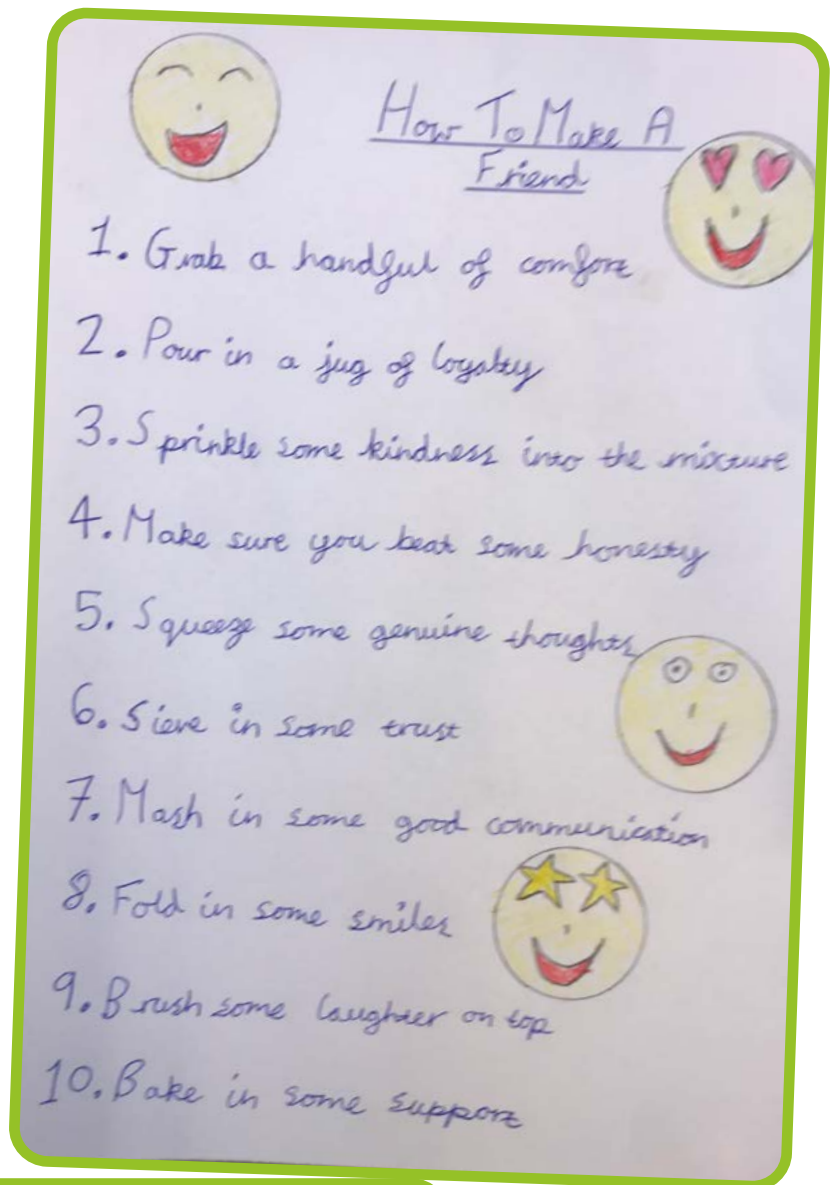








As part of  
Feel Good Friday,  
Year 6 wrote  
friendship recipes.  
They thought  
carefully about  
what a good  
friend is and what  
ingredients would  
be needed to  
make one.



- 1) Pour a spoonful of loyalty in the bowl with a pinch of laughter
- 2) Sieve in a handful of support
- 3) Stir in anti clockwise a bowlful of happiness
- 4) Beat together honesty and understanding and add to the bowl
- 5) Knead in some comforting
- 6) Sprinkle in a little cheekiness
- 7) Whisk in a beaker full of sympathy
- 8) Bake with a lot of love until soft and unbreakable
- 9) Serve with a slice of trust



# doodlemaths

## DOODLE MATHS LEADER BOARD
















Congratulations to 4H for topping the leader board in DoodleMaths this week and also becoming the first class to achieve 50% of the class in the 'green' zone.

**KEEP DOODLING EVERYONE...  
WHO WILL TOP THE LEADER BOARD NEXT WEEK!**

Name	% on target (last 7 days)
<b>Ladybirds</b>	<b>37%</b>
<b>Bees</b>	<b>31%</b>
<b>1K</b>	<b>28%</b>
<b>1R</b>	<b>25%</b>
<b>2G</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>2T</b>	<b>33%</b>
<b>3KR</b>	<b>25%</b>
<b>3OG</b>	<b>39%</b>
<b>4C</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>4H</b>	<b>50%</b>
<b>5B</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>5H</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>6A</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>6B</b>	<b>4%</b>



**TIER 2****HIGH ALERT****FROM 2 DEC**

<b>MEETING FRIENDS AND FAMILY</b>  <p>No mixing of households indoors, apart from support bubbles. Maximum of six outdoors.</p>	<b>BARS, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS</b>  <p>Pubs and bars must close, unless operating as restaurants. Hospitality venues can only serve alcohol with substantial meals. Venues must stop taking orders at 10pm and must close by 11pm.</p>	<b>RETAIL</b>  <p>Open.</p>	<b>WORK AND BUSINESS</b>  <p>Everyone who can work from home should do so.</p>
<b>EDUCATION</b>  <p>Early years settings, schools, colleges and universities open. Childcare, other supervised activities for children, and childcare bubbles permitted.</p>	<b>INDOOR LEISURE</b>  <p>Open.</p>	<b>ACCOMMODATION</b>  <p>Open.</p>	<b>PERSONAL CARE</b>  <p>Open.</p>
<b>OVERNIGHT STAYS</b>  <p>Permitted with household or support bubble.</p>	<b>WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS</b>  <p>15 guests for weddings, civil partnerships, wedding receptions and wakes; 30 for funerals.</p>	<b>ENTERTAINMENT</b>  <p>Open.</p>	<b>PLACES OF WORSHIP</b>  <p>Open, but cannot interact with anyone outside household or support bubble.</p>
<b>TRAVELLING</b>  <p>Reduce the number of journeys you make and walk or cycle if possible. Avoid busy times and routes on public transport. Avoid car sharing with those outside of your household or support bubble. Avoid entering a Tier 3 area, other than where necessary such as for work or education. Further exemptions apply.</p>	<b>EXERCISE</b>  <p>Classes and organised adult sport can take place outdoors, but cannot take place indoors if there is any interaction between people from different households. Organised activities for elite athletes, under-18s and disabled people can continue.</p>	<b>RESIDENTIAL CARE</b>  <p>COVID-secure arrangements such as substantial screens, visiting pods, and window visits. Outdoor/airtight visits only (rollout of rapid testing will enable indoor visits including contact).</p>	<b>LARGE EVENTS</b>  <p>Sport, live performances and business meetings limited to 50% capacity or 2000 people outdoors (whichever is lower) and 50% capacity or 1000 people indoors (whichever is lower)</p>

**Find out what support you can get**

For example, if you're out of work, need to get food, or want to take care of your mental health.

[gov.uk/coronavirus](https://gov.uk/coronavirus)

**If you have any coronavirus symptoms:**

A high temperature • A new, continuous cough  
A loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste.

**Get a test and stay at home**

For more information and detailed guidance visit:  
**[gov.uk/coronavirus](https://gov.uk/coronavirus)**



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**TIER 3****VERY HIGH ALERT****FROM 2 DEC**

<b>MEETING FRIENDS AND FAMILY</b>  <p>No mixing of households indoors, or most outdoor places, apart from support bubbles. Maximum of six in some outdoor public spaces (e.g. parks, public gardens).</p>	<b>BARS, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS</b>  <p>Hospitality is closed, with the exception of sales by takeaway, drive-through or delivery.</p>	<b>RETAIL</b>  <p>Open.</p>	<b>WORK AND BUSINESS</b>  <p>Everyone who can work from home should do so.</p>
<b>EDUCATION</b>  <p>Early years settings, schools, colleges and universities open. Childcare, other supervised activities for children, and childcare bubbles permitted.</p>	<b>INDOOR LEISURE</b>  <p>Open. Group activities and classes should not take place.</p>	<b>ACCOMMODATION</b>  <p>Closed (with limited exceptions)</p>	<b>PERSONAL CARE</b>  <p>Open.</p>
<b>OVERNIGHT STAYS</b>  <p>We advise against overnight stays other than with household or support bubble.</p>	<b>WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS</b>  <p>15 guests for weddings, civil partnerships and wakes; 30 for funerals. Wedding receptions not permitted.</p>	<b>ENTERTAINMENT</b>  <p>Indoor venues closed.</p>	<b>PLACES OF WORSHIP</b>  <p>Open, but cannot interact with anyone outside household or support bubble.</p>
<b>TRAVELLING</b>  <p>Avoid travelling outside your area, other than where necessary such as for work or education. Further exemptions apply. Reduce the number of journeys where possible. Plan ahead and avoid busy times and routes on public transport. Avoid car sharing with those outside of your household or support bubble.</p>	<b>EXERCISE</b>  <p>Classes and organised adult sport can take place outdoors, but people should avoid higher-risk contact activity. Group exercise activities and sports indoors should not take place, unless with your household or bubble. Organised activities for elite athletes, under-18s and disabled people can continue.</p>	<b>RESIDENTIAL CARE</b>  <p>COVID-secure arrangements such as substantial screens, visiting pods, and window visits. Outdoor/airtight visits only (rollout of rapid testing will enable indoor visits including contact).</p>	<b>LARGE EVENTS</b>  <p>Events should not take place. Drive-in events permitted.</p>

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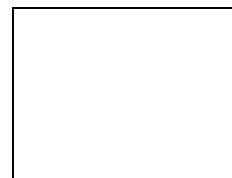
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## Free School Meal Registration Form Eligible by Benefit (EBB)



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](http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals) to download and complete a form online.
- Email registration form or any query to [freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto: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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			/   /		
<b>Current Address</b> including postcode			<b>Previous Address</b> including postcode (If you have moved in the last year)		
<b>Email:</b>			<b>Date of Move</b> (dd/mm/yy)   /   /		
<b>Telephone:</b>					

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 <b>only</b> ) <input type="checkbox"/>	Employment Support Allowance (Income Related <b>only</b> ) <input type="checkbox"/>	Child Tax Credit <input type="checkbox"/> ( <b>without any</b> Working Tax Credit <b>and</b> have and annual household income (as assessed by HMRC) below £16,190)
Pension Credit (Guaranteed Element only) <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>4 Week Run on</b> Working Tax Credit <input type="checkbox"/> (which is <b>only</b> paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for WTC)	Asylum Seeker <input type="checkbox"/> (Support under PartV1 of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999)	<b>Universal Credit</b> <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](mailto: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](mailto:freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk)

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INITIALS	DATE