

**Monday 28th February**

- INSET Day for Staff

Tuesday 1st March

- First day back for pupils
- Book Week starts
- Forest School for 2T

Wednesday 2nd March

- Forest School for 4KR

Tuesday 8th March

- Forest School for 2A

Wednesday 9th March

- Parents' Evening bookings open
- Forest School for 4B

Thursday 24th March

- Parents' Evening via SchoolCloud

Tuesday 29th March

- Parents' Evening via SchoolCloud

Next Term...

THE PEBBLE CHALLENGE

Please can everyone bring a pebble to school when they return in March.

These will be used for a whole school project that will take place at the end of Term 4.

Any flat pebble will be fine but it must fit in the palm of your hand...no whoppers!

Happy hunting!

Mrs Dinsdale

Dear Parents and Carers

Unfortunately, this was not the end to term we had all expected. Although the decision to close the school will no doubt have caused inconvenience, with the alert of the red weather warning, everyone's safety needed to be considered. With this, I do trust that you and your families have remained safe today.

Today's closure should not take away from all that we achieved this term. Throughout the past seven weeks everyone has given their all. The children have been brilliant and have thrived in their learning through wide and varied tasks and opportunities. All staff have worked incredibly hard in continued challenging circumstances, especially when helping to cover staff absence and to keep the school running smoothly. There have been continued signs of more normality, though - educational visits out of school, visitors in school and a full programme of extra-curricular activities. I am certainly hoping for more continued normality next term.

NPSA Cake Sale postponed

Many thanks to those who baked for today's NPSA cake sale – we are so sorry it could not take place.

Year 4 out and about

Following a term of learning about 'How did the Romans change Bath?' the year group set off, on foot, on Monday, to walk to and tour The Roman Baths. Through listening carefully to the curators in the Education Centre, dressing up in Roman costumes, creating mosaics and handling Roman artefacts, the children deepened their knowledge. Thank you to the parent volunteers who accompanied the visit.

Year 1 Space Day

If you had chance to glimpse sight of the wonderfully created alien and space outfits worn by Year 1 earlier this week, you too would have been so impressed and would have considered what fun the children must have had. The children were excited to learn about constellations and the solar system, to design spacecraft and to learn about the achievements of Neil Armstrong. Thank you so much to the parents and carers for supporting a memorable day for the children.

Sustainable Planet Art Work

Well done to Ella in 4KR, who has her thoughtful art work on display in the RUH. This was in support of the sustainable planet art project, recently promoted.

Concerns about dog fouling – Year 6 to help

Following on from my newsletter last week, when I mentioned the concern raised about the dog fouling on the public footpath by the school, the Year 6 pupils are going to help. Currently, in English, they are writing balanced arguments and are considering 'should dogs be allowed in and around schools?'. From this, they will make posters about how to be responsible owners of dogs around schools. The posters will then be placed on the school fence, by the footpath and the school gates.

Veg Power - Eat Them to Defeat Them!

It's back, for another year – the national campaign, Eat Them to Defeat Them. The campaign is to promote healthy eating, with a focus on trying a variety of vegetables. Please read on to find out more. It will be really positive to have children and families taking part.

Inset Day – 28th February

Please note that the children return to school on Tuesday 1st March. Monday 28th February is a training day for teaching staff. On this day, the staff will be considering 'challenge for all' in line with an action point from the last Ofsted report and our School Development Plan. Jacqueline Laver, the school's Challenge and Support Partner, will lead the day.

Book Week

Thank you to Mrs Button for her work in organising Book Week, and for arranging for authors to visit the pupils. This will take place on return to school, from Tuesday 1st March to Friday 4th March. On Thursday 3rd March, all children are invited to come to school wearing their pyjamas, to celebrate World Book Day. This special week and World Book Day is all about promoting the enjoyment of reading, and for everyone to know they are a reader.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings are planned for Thursday 24th and Tuesday 29th March. These will be held online via School Cloud. Online bookings will be opened on Wednesday 9th March at 7pm.

Vacancy - School Meals Supervisory Assistant

Would you like to work in our school, with the children at lunchtime? We have a vacancy, each day, between 11.45am and 1.15pm. In this role, you will supervise and support the children with their lunchtime meal and their play. If you are interested, please contact the school office or email enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk.

Covid-19 – current cases, school measures and government guidance

The number of cases of Covid-19 across the school has fallen again, currently there are 5 active cases. With the government's planned announcement around proposed amendments to current restrictions, due on Monday 21st February, I will await updated DfE guidance and advice from UKHSA and Public Health. Once this is received, I will write to you again, to outline necessary measures.

Your child's weekly learning update on Google Classroom

Please remember to read the blog on your child's Google Classroom Stream to find out what has been happening this week in their class. They are really informative and give a true sense of life at school. Please write a comment, in response, if you value these updates.

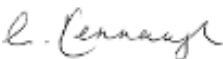
Email address for parents

For all parent communication, please use the email address enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk

I wish you a very restful and safe half term.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



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Bee Whole Class

1EO Ben T & Hannah M

2T Leona K & Afek H

3OG Alessia Z & Alice S

4B Flo P & Ernie L-S

5G Kaia B & Mia K

6B Eszter B & Izaak D

Ladybird Whole Class

1R Sarafina D & Alix M C

2A Ioan H & Sam R

3C Dylan B & Larell S

4KR Imogen B & Eloise P

5HT Thomas W & Scarlett S

6H Eve M & Otis G

Music Stars of the Week

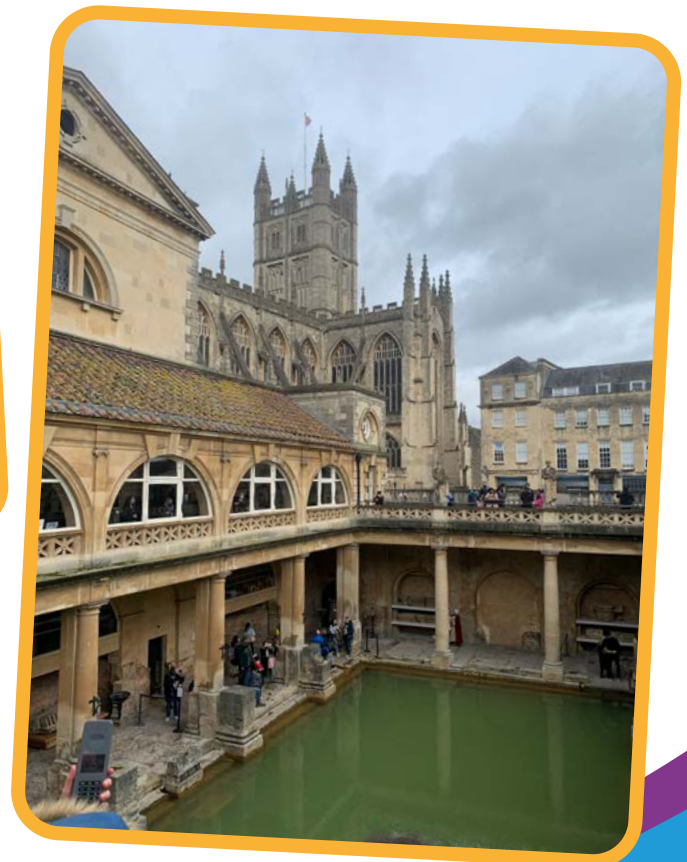
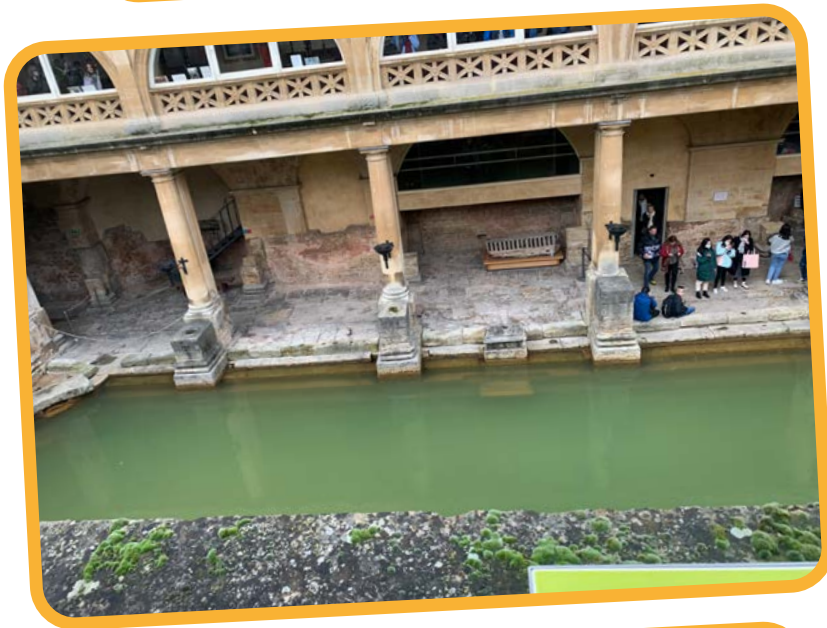
Katie M & Astrid H



SPACE DAY IN YEAR 1



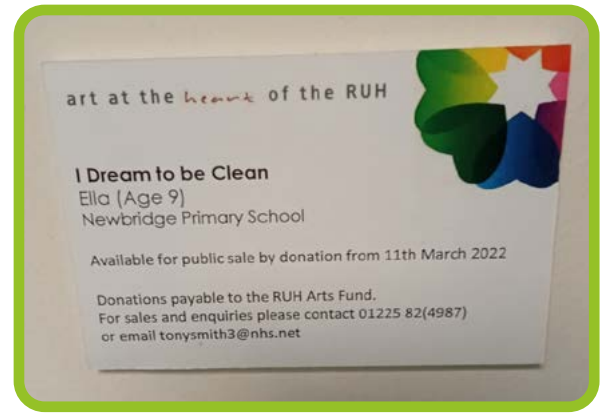
YEAR 4 TRIP TO THE ROMAN BATHS





EXCELLENT ARTWORK

This is Ella's artwork on display at the RUH for the sustainable planet art project.



We also loved seeing Henry N's (3C) carefully produced watercolour of plant cells





Lots of fun has been had at extra-curricular activities this term including at Board Games & Puzzle Club



VEGPOWER IS BACK FOR 2022!

The Healthy Eating Campaign will be launched in school after the holidays. Look out for the adverts as they are now live on ITV.

Each week, we will focus on promoting a different vegetable in school, starting with the **MIGHTY CARROT**.

Eligible parents and carers can also use this link:
<https://bit.ly/prepare-for-victory>
to sign up to the Healthy Start Voucher Scheme for free fruit and veg.





DOODLE LEARNING

Well done to 4KR, 6H and 1R for being top of the leader board this week! Great doodling!
Look out for our next inter school competition in Term 4.

HAPPY DOODLING!

CLASS	% ON TARGET (LAST 7 DAYS)
Ladybirds	35%
Bees	24%
1EO	38%
1R	45%
2A	39%
2T	21%
3C	28%
3OG	39%
4B	27%
4KR	50%
5G	26%
5HT	23%
6B	17%
6H	48%

