

Dear Parents and Carers

Monday 09/03/20

- Visit to Bath Fire Station for **1R**

Tuesday 10/03/20

- Visit to Bath Fire Station for **1DE**

- Forest School for **2G**

Wednesday 11/03/20

- Y3 Multiskills Festival at Oldfield School

- Y4 Forest School for **4C**

Sunday 15/03/20

- Team Newbridge run the Bath Half

Monday 16/03/20

- Y6 Residential

Tuesday 17/03/20

- Forest School for **2EO**

Wednesday 18/03/20

- Y4 Forest School for **4H**

Thursday 19/03/20

- Y3 Class Assembly: 2.30pm

Friday 20/03/20

- Y1 & Y5 Cake Sale
Clubs finish

Tuesday 24/03/20

- Forest School for **2G**

Wednesday 25/03/20

- Y4 Forest School for **4C**

- KS1 SATs meeting: 2.40pm

Thursday 26/03/20

- Parents' Evening

Friday 27/03/20

- Feel Good Friday

Monday 30/03/20

- KS1 & KS2 Dance Umbrella

Tuesday 31/03/20

- Forest School for **2EO**

- Parents' Evening

Wednesday 01/04/20

- Y4 Forest School for **4H**

Thursday 02/04/20

- Kilve Court Final Meeting at 3.30pm

Friday 03/04/20

- End of Term 4

February Feel Good Friday – 'Inside Out Day': Acknowledging our feelings on the inside, by turning our clothes inside out had a real impact last Friday. Across the school, with children in Reception using paint filled eggs to investigate the different feelings that we have on the inside to children in Year 6 discussing positive body image and enjoying yoga, made for a very positive day.

NPSA Quiz Night: This was a brilliant community evening last Friday. There is always great rivalry amongst the teams, but this year the teachers team came out on top, closely followed by The Locksbrook Lotharios. Neil Clews hosted the evening brilliantly, with a well prepared set of quiz rounds. Many parent volunteers worked hard prior to the evening and on the night; thank you to Tamsin Smith, Lucy Leonard, Esther Derrett, Esther Gardiner, Sarah Lewcock, Mim and Nick Wharf, Emily Dahill and Kathy Runacres. The evening was rounded off by Neil acknowledging our 'Inside Out Day' and saying that it's ok, not to be ok. He said that one in four suffer from anxiety or depression, and so please talk and seek help – rather than suffer in silence. Thank you to everyone who came and again supported our school through the NPSA.

Veg Power: We are now in the second week of the national campaign Veg Power, which has for our school, been sponsored by Riverford. This aim is to encourage children to eat more vegetables. Alfie in 4H has been asking for more vegetables at home, and had a whole plate full of carrots, sweetcorn, peppers, peas, tomatoes and broccoli! Well done Alfie. Keep the vegetable eating stories coming!

World Book Day and Book at Bedtime: The national annual event took place yesterday and this year to celebrate it we asked the children to create 'a book in a jar' How wonderfully creative their ideas were. Throughout the day every class read and completed learning around the book 'The day the crayons quit' by Drew Daywalt. Last evening the children came back to school for Book at Bedtime – a firm favourite on our annual calendar. Thank you to everyone who made the day and evening another great success. Many thanks too, to all the parents who helped out with the hot chocolate.

Our new website: We launched our new website last week, and further construction has taken place since. Our aim is to make this more user friendly and interactive than the previous one, whilst showing off the hundreds of great aspects of our school. It's looking really great, so please keep checking for new updates.

More grounds work has been completed: Tom and Ailsa Eaglestone, along with their employees, gave more time last week to work towards the completion of the gravel garden outside the Year 4 and 6 classrooms. It looks more than amazing! With the edging now fitted, the moon gate installed and two beautiful trees planted, we can see just what an asset this will be to children's learning and recreation. We can't thank them enough and so much look forward to the final stages which include plant beds and seating, before some environmental art is created by Year 6. If you would like to take a look, please go to the conservation area gate by Mrs Hansard's office.

Also, more additions have been made to the roundhouse in the conservation area. Beautiful free-standing benches have been delivered that can be used both inside and outside the space. We are still awaiting the flue, and when this is fitted we will invite all volunteers to say thank you.

The next venture on our list is the tatty courtyard area off the upper school foyer. Very generously Kev Bolt and Phillip Swinburne-Goode have offered to clear this area later in the month. Following this, Curo, with the £6,000 they have generously donated will create our new Zen themed space. This will be a quiet space the children can use throughout the day and at playtimes. This is so exciting - what a difference it will make.

Well done: Congratulations to Gracie in Year 5 and her mum for completing their fasting in support of the Children's Liver Foundation. Gracie has a rare liver condition and has raised an incredible £1345 so far. If you'd like to donate, you can do so via the following link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gracie-jo-fast>

Please note:

The Parents' Evenings are on Thursday 26th March and Tuesday 31st March.

You will be able to book your 10 minute appointment(s) online from Monday 9th March via the link below:

Please book only one appointment per child

<https://newbridge.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>

Bath Half Marathon: This week in our whole school assembly Miss Keane and Miss Gatton talked about their preparation for the Bath Half Marathon. They are running it for the first time, along with Mr Bacon, who has completed the London Marathon. The teachers told the children about their training programme and their necessary diet. Next week some of the parent runners will come to our assembly to share their training stories and talk about what has motivated them to take on the event. It will be great for all of the children to see and celebrate them. Please follow <https://www.wonderful.org/charity/newbridgeprimaryschoolassociation> if you would like to make a donation to school funds for their efforts.

Phonics Meeting: Thank you for coming to the Phonics meeting for Year 1 on Thursday. The slides from this meeting can be found on the website via this link <https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/classes> and click on one of the Year 1 classes.

Coronavirus information: We continue to closely monitor advice regarding coronavirus from Public Health England. Please see information further in the newsletter about managing coronavirus in places of education and this updated link <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

Sport Relief: Come along on Thursday 12th March to dance for Sport Relief. Karen King, our super street dance teacher, is leading a two and a half hour session for anyone to join in with this. Donations made on the evening will all go to Sport Relief. The event is open to all school families and the local community and will take between 5pm and 7.30pm.

Safety on the school site: Please can I ask again that both parents and children do not scoot or cycle on the school site.

Welcome: Welcome to Adam who has joined Class 1R. We hope that he and his family will be very happy in our school community.

Have a good weekend and thank you for your continued support.

With kind regards

Gill Kennaugh

CURRICULUM CORNER

Super Spellings

Well done to all children in Years 1-6 for having a go at the Spelling Bee this week. Congratulations to those going through to the final on Monday. The winners will be revealed in next week's newsletter!

For your spellings this week, try writing out your spellings in your neatest writing three times. Then try typing your spellings out three times on a computer.



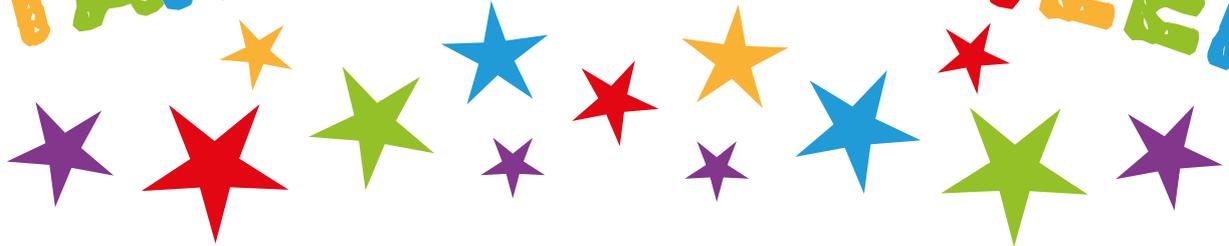
3OG need your old bamboo canes for their entrepreneurship challenge.

Any size, any condition, any quantity.

Please drop into 3OG's classroom by Thursday night.

Thank you!

STARS OF THE WEEK



Bee William S, Audrey E

1DE William B, Henry N

2EO Patrick L, Reece W

3OG Charlie B, Hattie M

4C Jacob W, Bess P

5B Elodie B, Sarah S

6B Daniel W, Freddie M

Ladybird Charlie R, Niki P

1R Alessia Z, Oscar D

2G Alfie G, Bertie O

3KC Felix T, Florence G

4H M-J M, Connie S

5H Kenzie H, Tyler C

6A Flo G, Clem L



THANK YOU FROM MS CARD

Thank you everyone for my wonderful send off at the end of last term and the very generous gifts. I was very touched and wanted to let you know that it has been a real privilege working with you and your children at Newbridge and that I have loved every minute of it! I thought you might like to see my new bike too. It's great and I will think of you all every time I use it!

Thank you,

Jan Card



GYM COMPETITION



On Friday, Years 3 and 4 took part in a Gym Competition. 10 people went and we all did a floor routine and went on the vault. Even though we didn't win, we still enjoyed it. We also got to go on the beam and the bar.

by Scarlett and Felix 3KC

*Well done everyone
from Ms Kennaugh*

AUTHOR VISIT

Every Monday, Year 6 book club meet to discuss and read books to spark our imaginations. On Monday 2nd March, we enjoyed a special visit from the amazing Emma Dykes (Elly's mum) who talked about the story writing process and what it's like to be an author. She inspired many children to go home and create a story. Emma set us a challenge to write a book review on *The Girl Who Drank The Moon* (our book club book we are currently reading) with a prize of a fantastic novel. All in all, we thoroughly enjoyed our brilliant talk from Emma and it was a privilege to have her come in to speak to us.

Written by Rosie H, Lily P and Clem L



WE ARE WINNERS!

Over the holidays Mrs Button entered a competition to win a copy of Extraordinary by Rashmi Sirdeshpande and she won! We now have a signed copy of Rashmi's book all about extraordinary people including: Nelson Mandela, Frida Kahlo, Alan Turing and Michelle Obama. It's a fabulous read with beautiful illustrations! If you'd like a read of it head up to 6B.



Don't forget to

**EAT THEM
TO DEFEAT THEM!**

Next week it's the turn of the sneaky sweetcorn...

<https://vegpower.org.uk/>

TOM BAKER CRICKET

Please note Tom will be running an extra session in the last week of term to make up for one missed previously. This will be on Thursday 2nd April.

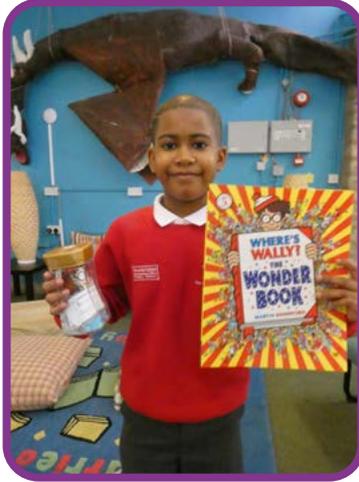
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BOOK IN A JAR

Here are just a selection of the brilliant creations the children brought in for World Book Day. They will be exhibited in the Blue Room until 4.15pm today.



An exciting opportunity

THE NPSA NEEDS YOU



The NPSA is a really important part of our wonderful school community, and it relies entirely on volunteers to run. Our **BRILLIANT** Chair Amy has done an incredible job over the last few years, bringing enthusiasm, creativity and a little bit of magic to events, but the time has come for her to pass the role on to someone (or people) new. Thank you Amy for your boundless enthusiasm and wholehearted commitment. You have been an absolute gift to this community.

So, Newbridge here's an exciting opportunity for you: Without a Chair, the NPSA cannot run as a charity and will have to end. We are sure you will all agree that this would be a real shame for both school and community and would warmly invite you all to consider taking on the role either alone or with a Co-Chair. You will be supported by an experienced committee and trustees who will hold your hand all the way should you need it.

The position is vacant immediately, itching to be filled. So please have a think, encourage your friends who you know would be awesome or rally a team to share the role with you. Please get in touch by emailing npsabath@gmail.com even if it is just to arrange a cuppa and a chat to find out more.

Our community needs the NPSA, and it needs you too



Would you like to work with children in your local school?

Newbridge Primary School is a large primary school on the outskirts of Bath with approx. 400 pupils on roll. This school is strongly committed to enabling each child access to a broad, enriched education of the highest quality. Our aspiration is to be the best we can be and we are very ambitious about what we can achieve for our children. The following post offers an opportunity to be part of a supportive, caring and committed school community who have high expectations of themselves and each other, and who have children at the centre of their philosophy.

From February 2020, we would like to appoint a School Meals Supervisory Assistant to cover the following hours:

Monday - Wednesday

11.45am - 1.45pm

£9.36 per hour

This includes half an hour at the end of the lunch session to carry out some basic cleaning.

The ideal candidate would have to:

- Be patient and caring
- Be dedicated to all children achieving the best they can
- Be an excellent team player
- Resilient and energetic

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the children. We follow safer recruitment practices and appointments are subject to an enhanced DBS check.

Please contact Newbridge Primary School on 01225 421675 or email us at
newbridge_pri@bathnes.gov.uk

OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT THE WILDWOOD NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Our Easter holiday club days provide a range of fun outdoor activities for children aged 5-11 including:

Den building Campfire cooking Environmental arts and crafts Bush craft Storytelling Games

Plus plenty of opportunities for free range, child-led play and exploration

The outdoors provides a wonderful environment for adventure to suit all ages and the days will evolve depending on the weather and what the group would like to do.

The Wildwood is an established outdoor learning environment within the grounds of Newbridge Primary School. It is a diverse woodland area with new all-weather roundhouse, a fire circle and an established pond for 'lucky dipping'.

Sessions will be led by Sarah Webb, Jonny Houston and Sadie Rhodes all experienced Forest School leaders based in Bath.

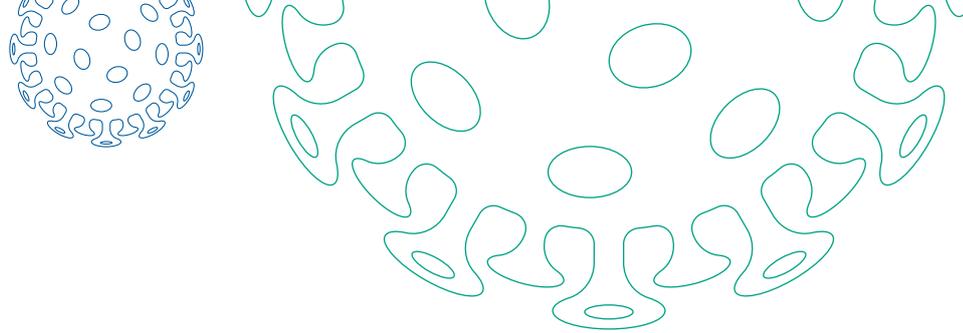
Dates: Easter 2020: Monday 6th, Tuesday 7th
Wednesday 15th, Thursday 16th April

Time: 9.00am – 4.00pm

**Please bring packed lunch and a water bottle.
Campfire snacks will be provided in the morning and afternoon**

Cost: 1 day booking: £38 per day – siblings £33 per child per day
2 day booking: £70 per child
3 + days booking: £ 33 per child per day

Booking essential, please email valair1@hotmail.com or call on 07825 610145 for a booking form.
Spaces are limited.



Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it by washing your hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



After breaks & sport activities



Before cooking & eating



On arrival at any childcare or educational setting



After using the toilet



Before leaving home



Try not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come into contact with your mouth such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share items such as bedding, dishes, pencils & towels



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19. Parents can visit **NHS.UK** to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Wuhan and Hubei Province in China should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days. See **NHS.UK** for advice on coronavirus.

If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately

