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INSET Days 2020/2021

- Friday 25th June 2021
- Wednesday 21st July

INSET Days 2021/2022

- Thursday 2nd September 2021
- Tuesday 4th January 2022
- Monday 28th February 2022
- Friday 24th June 2022
- Friday 22nd July 2022

Following a message from the Hartwells site, please know that from now on, parents are now not permitted to park on the on this site and in doing so, could now incur a fine.

Friday 14th May, 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

The children continue to do well in school and are steadily building their resilience now that they have been back in school for just over seven weeks since the full return in March. The photographs published in the newsletter each week demonstrate that whilst restrictions remain in place, the children are able to access a wide and varied curriculum. Our overall school attendance remains high at 96% which is very positive. Whilst rebuilding, it is important that expectations remain high with regard to punctuality and dress code. All children must arrive at school before 8.55am and full school uniform is required each day.

Symptoms of Covid-19 and testing

With much positive news about restrictions lifting, it remains important that households continue to isolate when symptoms of Covid-19 are known. These 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.

If a family member displays any of these symptoms, the household must isolate until a negative PCR test is received or until ten days of isolation are completed following a positive PCR test.

An LFD test does not replace a PCR test, when there are known symptoms of Covid-19. LFD tests are only to be used for those people who are asymptomatic. If there are known symptoms of Covid-19, as listed above, a PCR test must be booked and the school office must be made aware of the result.

Thank you to everyone who has engaged with the Doodle apps to complete the homework expectations this week. Whilst we published these last week, we realise that with this, we also need to clarify our expectations around other tasks including reading, spelling and times tables. I will set this out next week.

Courtesy to our neighbours

Once again I have been contacted by one of our neighbours so please can I ask again that when entering and leaving school, parents prevent children from entering the garden space of houses in Charmouth Road.

Extra-Curricular activities

It has been really great to see the extra-curricular activities running again this week. For the activities before school, please can I ask that children arrive promptly at the detailed start time, so that the activity can get underway on time for all children.

School Uniform Sale

Thank you so much to Katherine Wellings, Sarah Stacey and Sarah Squires who ran the second-hand uniform sale on Sunday. I am sure this will have been helpful to so many families and including those due to join our school in September. Over £400 was raised for NPSA funds!

Well done, Rafaela!

You may remember seeing Rafa in the school newsletter a few weeks ago, after she completed the virtual Bath Half Marathon. This week, through determined hard work and commitment, she has achieved something else – Rafa has been selected for the U12 Avon County Tennis squad. This is so well-deserved and we are so proud of her.

Term dates 2021 - 2022

Please note that term dates, including Inset days for the academic year 2021/2022 are listed on the school website at https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/school-life/termdates

I wish you a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Gill Kennaugh



Bee Tilly M-P & Matilda B-J

1K Neula J & Ronnie H

2T Alex P & Rufus O

30G Jessica F & Mason N-J

4C Kaia B & Daisy S

5B Ben E & Charlotte M

6B Gracie B & Jessica H

Ladybird Mariam S & Nell W

1R Zach H & Paula F-C

2G Bethan T & William B

3KR Imogen B & Greta H

4H William R & Xavier S-G

5H Felix K & James H

6A Robbie F & Emily C



Super Spellings!

DICTIONARY WORDS

If you have a dictionary at home, can you find the definitions of your spellings in the dictionary?

If you don't have a dictionary, how else could you find out the definition of your spellings?

SCHOOL LIFE THIS WEEK

This week, in **RECEPTION** we have been learning about the story of Little Red Riding Hood. In Forest School, we re-enacted the story and remembered the order of events.



YEAR 1 We made story maps which follow the story of "The Bad Tempered Ladybird" by Eric Carle





YEAR 2 have been reading George's Marvellous Medicine. They had great fun creating a medicine for Grandma from the story.
What awful ingredients they used!



















YEAR 3 have been thinking about and talking about emotions.



YEAR 4 lighting fires in Forest School





YEAR 5 enjoyed dissecting flowers whilst learning about reproduction in flowering plants.

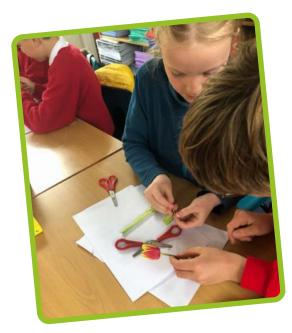
























YEAR 6 carrying out a science experiment about the effects of different exercises on heart rate.







NPSA NEWS

There's a lot going on at the moment, not just in NPSA terms, but also with clubs and activities, and just with life – finally – returning to something a bit more like normal. If, like us, you're feeling slightly frazzled, here's a list of what's coming up NPSA-wise through the summer terms. We haven't publicised details for all of these yet, but we will, so please read the newsletter and your class rep messages, and get involved.

- The Mystery Trail (half term)
- · Grow Your Pound (see below)
- Summer Raffle
- Family Fun Run Sunday 4th July
- · Family Fun Day Saturday 10th July
- · The Scarecrow Trail Saturday 17th July

The NPSA 100 Club

Congratulations to the holders of 79, 64 and 55 – the winning numbers in our May draw. The next draw will be held on Wednesday 2nd June. If you'd like to be in with a chance of winning, you can join The 100 Club here



Second-hand uniform sale

Thank you to everyone who came along to our rain-affected second-hand uniform sale on Sunday. We made over £420, which is incredible! A massive thank you to Sarah Stacey for giving up her Sunday, and her garden, to enable the sale to take place.



Grow Your Pound

Some of you will remember this event from a few years ago. If it's new to you, keep an eye out for a couple of letters – one for parents and one for children – that will be emailed home next week, and a presentation via Google Classroom, explaining exactly what this is and how it works. In essence it's an opportunity for upper-school children to raise money for the NPSA by starting their own micro-businesses using £1 in seed capital, which is being generously provided by a parent-owned business: *Henny and Joe's*. In previous years this has proved a real hit with the children, sparking their creativity and natural entrepreneurial spirit. We look forward to seeing what they come up with this time!

Family Fun Day – Saturday 10th July

By now you will all have received some communication from your class reps about this event. We are so looking forward to seeing the children enjoying the games and stalls on offer, and to having families back in school and socialising together. It promises to be a fantastic day!



Thank you to everyone who has volunteered in some capacity already – your support is so important. We are still in need of a fish tank (or similar item) to borrow for the day, and there are couple of woodworking jobs unallocated, if that's your skill set. Please speak to your class rep, or email npsabath@gmail.com, if you can help.

In the coming weeks, there will be lots more opportunities to get involved, so please do help in any way that you can, and in particular support your class rep when (s)he is looking for people to take up slots on your allocated stall.

New starters in September

If you have friends whose children will be starting Newbridge in September, please encourage them to email npsabath@gmail.com so that we can add them to our 'new starters' mailing list. This will enable us to invite them directly to events such as the Fun Run, the Family Fun Day, and the Scarecrow Trail, all of which are lovely ways to involve the children in school life, and welcome new parents, ahead of September.

Gardening update from Kiz and Jubal

We were back at the allotment last week, getting the beds into a fit state for sowing. We weeded and dug over the beds, rescuing a few onions, celeriac and Jerusalem artichokes that had survived since our last visit in December. Jubal used the compost from our bins to freshen up the beds, before we planted sunflower and pumpkin seeds and seed potatoes. The veggies we dug up, as well as some beautiful rhubarb, will be going to the Weston Hub for their community kitchen.

We still have a huge amount of weeding to do, as well as repairs to the beds as ongoing maintenance. We have plans to sow more seeds in the coming weeks and hope to have flourishing beds soon. Kiz will be leaving at the end of this school year so we urgently need more helping hands. It would be great if anyone who is interested could get in touch (email: npsabath@gmail.com) and start before we break up in July so that the knowledge and plans are shared with several people. No experience necessary — just enthusiasm! We meet on Tuesday mornings at the allotment, 9–11am.







Free money for the NPSA

Please don't forget to use Amazon Smile and The Giving Machine for your purchases online. The NPSA receives money for every purchase you make, and although the percentages are small, those amounts do add up. Every little helps, as someone else once said.



Simply shop at <u>smile.amazon.co.uk</u> and link the NPSA or make sure <u>AmazonSmile is ON</u> in the Amazon shopping app, and Amazon will make a donation to the NPSA at no additional cost to you!



You can also continue to support the NPSA through the Giving Machine for other online purchases. All you have to do is start your shopping here: www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/newbridge-primary-school.

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

We are 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 are 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.

From April 2021, we would like to appoint a School Meals Supervisory Assistant to cover the following hours:

Monday - Friday

11.45am - 1.15pm

£9.62 per hour

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
- Be 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