

NEWSLETTER

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INSET Days 2020/2021

- Friday 25th June 2021
- Wednesday 21st July 2021

INSET Days 2021/2022

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

Friday 21st May, 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you had a good week. It has been another busy week in school – whilst continuing to ensure the children's needs are met through the delivery of the curriculum, we have also held pupil progress meetings. In these discussions, we look carefully at the progress children are making and, of course, are paying particular attention to the impact of school closure and the planning and interventions that are in place to negate this. The teachers' knowledge of their pupils as learners was extremely thorough and we understand that significant progress is being made in teaching the skills and knowledge that could not be taught directly. Thank you for the support you are offering at home to promote and secure skills in reading, number and spelling.

Celebrating Eid

We have very much enjoyed learning about how our families celebrated Eid last week. We have received some photographs of these celebrations and have included them in the newsletter. Lynne and Shahan, from Year 3, have also written a short piece to tell us how their families marked Eid. If you would also like to let class teachers know about the Eid celebrations you had, please email the school inbox.

NPSA meeting this week

Thank you to those who were able to attend the NPSA Zoom meeting on Tuesday evening. It really is great to have your support. From reading last week's NPSA newsletter you will know that many events are in the offing. These include: Grow Your Pound, The School Recipe Book, The Mystery Trail, The Fun Run, The Family Fun Day, the Summer Raffle, The Scarecrow Trail and the AGM. Please see the school website at <https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/npsa/newbridge-primary-school-association> for more information about the NPSA, the activities and how you can get involved.

Homework expectations

As stated last week, please now find on the school website, information which clarifies homework expectations and ways you may wish to support your child around tasks including reading, spelling and times tables, for each year group. Please follow the link to your child's class <https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/classes>

Dogs

Please note that dogs are not allowed on the school site at any time, including at drop off and pick up. Thank you for your support in this.

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>

Symptoms of Covid-19 and testing

With 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 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.

Please remember that next week is the final week of Term 5, with Term 6 commencing on Monday 7th June. I hope the weather greatly improves and that you have a restful weekend.

Yours sincerely

Gill Kennaugh

We currently have an opportunity available to be a lunchtime supervisor. If you are interested in this role, please see details further in the newsletter.

STARS OF THE WEEK



Bee Benjamin B & Louis W

1K Mabel C & James L

2T Grace W & Chase D

3OG Eloise P & Julia F-G

4C Phoebe W & Martha R-G

5B Clement S & Eve M

6B Kenzie H & Noah S

Ladybird Joe M & Ivy C

1R Rosy T & Izzy S-G

2G Justice D & Reuben T

3KR Harry W & Ettie P

4H Florence G & Mason C

5H Marlie G & Matthew D

6A William B & Tori B



CURRICULUM CORNER

Super Spellings!

THESAURUS WORDS

If you have a **thesaurus** at home, can you find **synonyms** of your spellings in the thesaurus?

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

***A synonym is a word or phrase that means exactly or nearly the same as another word or phrase**

SCHOOL LIFE THIS WEEK

This week, **LADYBIRD CLASS** have been planning their own stories... and what better way to tell them than creating puppet shows!



BEE CLASS have been learning about story settings and characters



YEAR 1 have been learning to count in 2s, 5s and 10s



This week, **YEAR 2** enjoyed a yoga session as a year group



In Science this week, **YEAR 3** have been investigating the function of the stem and xylem



4C playing handball in P.E.



4H have created Stone Age paintings by making their own natural paints and brushes using what they could find in the Wild Wood



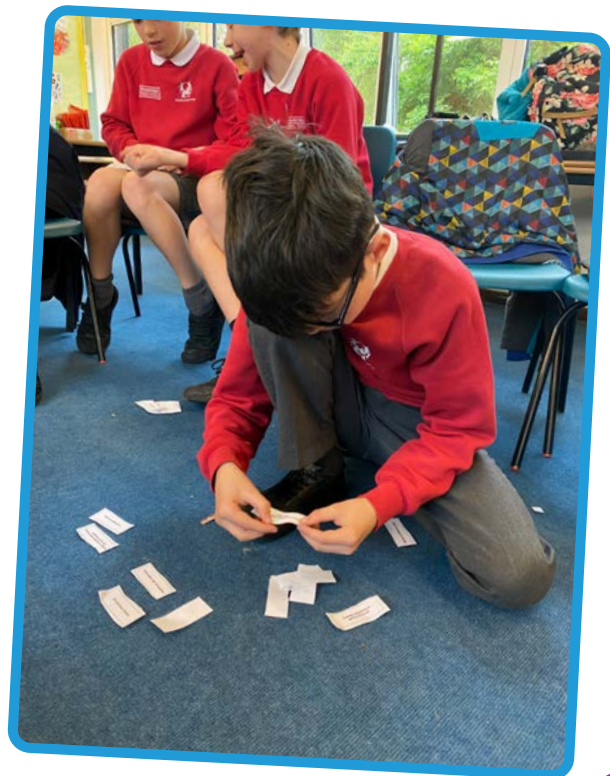
This week in PE, **5B** created and completed their own circuit activities



And **5H** enjoying their PE lesson too



PSHE in **YEAR 6** - exploring how they cope with loss or change and discussing what strategies they can use to help them



EID CELEBRATIONS

Last Thursday was Eid for my family and many other families at Newbridge School. After 30 days of fasting, we started the special day at 6am by going to pray in the Mosque. It was exciting to see many friends. After this we went home to eat breakfast and we had special family time. We went to town to buy presents to celebrate Eid. I got a pretty necklace. We had a special dinner in the evening from Luna restaurant. It was a tasty, Halal dinner from Bristol.

Lynne



Last Thursday, my family woke up at 6am and we went to the Mosque to pray. After coming home, we ate a large breakfast with friends and family and we had fun playing games. I was lucky to have been given gifts because my family don't celebrate Christmas and this is our very special day. We fast (limit the food that we eat) because people in other countries don't have as much food to eat and we want to let them know we understand how it feels. I feel grateful that I have fasted for people in need.

Shahan



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

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