

# NEWSLETTER

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## INSET Days 2020/2021

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

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

**Friday 11th June, 2021**

Dear Parents and Carers

Hopefully you were able to enjoy the half term break and make the most of the glorious weather. What a difference it makes. It is difficult to comprehend that we are now in Term 6, the final one of this academic year. This year has taken its twists and turns, but I am hopeful for a positive term where we can continue to build on the many positives and increase opportunities and experiences for all pupils. With this, we are planning transition activities to help prepare the children for next year. Already the local secondary schools have visited to meet the children they will receive in September, and next week our Year 2 children will spend time becoming more familiar with the Upper School. Meetings are currently happening for our new September intake and so it is exciting that the cycle commences once again.

### Year 5 are off to Great Wood!

Hooray! It's happening - Year 5 will leave on Monday for three days at Great Wood in Somerset. There has been so much anticipation around whether or not we would be able to get the trip off the ground, but thankfully, all current guidance enables the residential visit to take place. Yes, there will be some pre-trip nerves and some personal challenges to overcome, but experiences like these are essential for confidence building, developing independence skills and for making life-long memories. Thank you so much to the parents for being in support of this visit and to staff who will attend to help and care for the children.

### Science Week

What a hit Science Week has been! The buzz of excitement around the school and the fascinating range of learning experiences has been just wonderful. You will read and see more about this further in the newsletter. Thank you for all of the competition entries shared on Google Classroom, these are fantastic and again demonstrate the children's enthusiasm. The winning entries will be announced in next week's newsletter.

### Statutory Relationships, Sex and Health Education

Thank you to those parents who accessed the online meeting last evening. All year groups will very soon commence their Jigsaw unit, Changing Me. This unit contains learning on aspects of puberty and reproduction, ranging from, in Foundation Stage, 'how we have changed since we were babies' to 'how our bodies need to change so we can make babies when we grow up', in Year 6. The Jigsaw programme, which is our scheme of work and taught throughout the year, fulfils the statutory RSHE requirements.

### NPSA events

Please take time to read the NPSA newsletter. There is more exciting news in that our first on-site event will be able to take place soon. The Family Fun Run will go ahead on Sunday 4th July, as a charity is permitted to organise an outdoor sporting event. The Family Fun Day is planned to take place on Saturday 10th July, with the much loved Scarecrow Trail scheduled for Sunday 18th July. You may have had time over the half term holiday to complete the Mystery Trail; it's brilliant and is still available on the school website at:

<https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/npsa/virtual-activities>

Also, Grow Your Pound is underway - many thanks to all of the children who have submitted their business ideas, utilising their entrepreneurial skills.

All of the events and activities take a great deal of work to plan and organise and we are so grateful for what these add to our community and in turn, the funds they will raise.

### Safety on the roads

Again, please can I ask that when driving and parking on the local roads, that concern is shown at all times to pedestrians and cyclists. I have received another complaint, and whilst I have no jurisdiction outside of the school gate, I ask for everyone's support in this matter.

### Welcome

This week, we have been delighted to welcome two new pupils. Mackenzie has joined Reception and Lea has joined Year 6. We hope that they and their families will be very happy in our community.

### Symptoms of Covid-19 and testing

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.

### School Uniform and PE Kit

To clarify, all children are required to wear full school uniform. For PE days, children come to school in Newbridge PE kit, and should wear school sweatshirts/cardigans and not hoodies or other sweatshirts.

### Warm weather safety

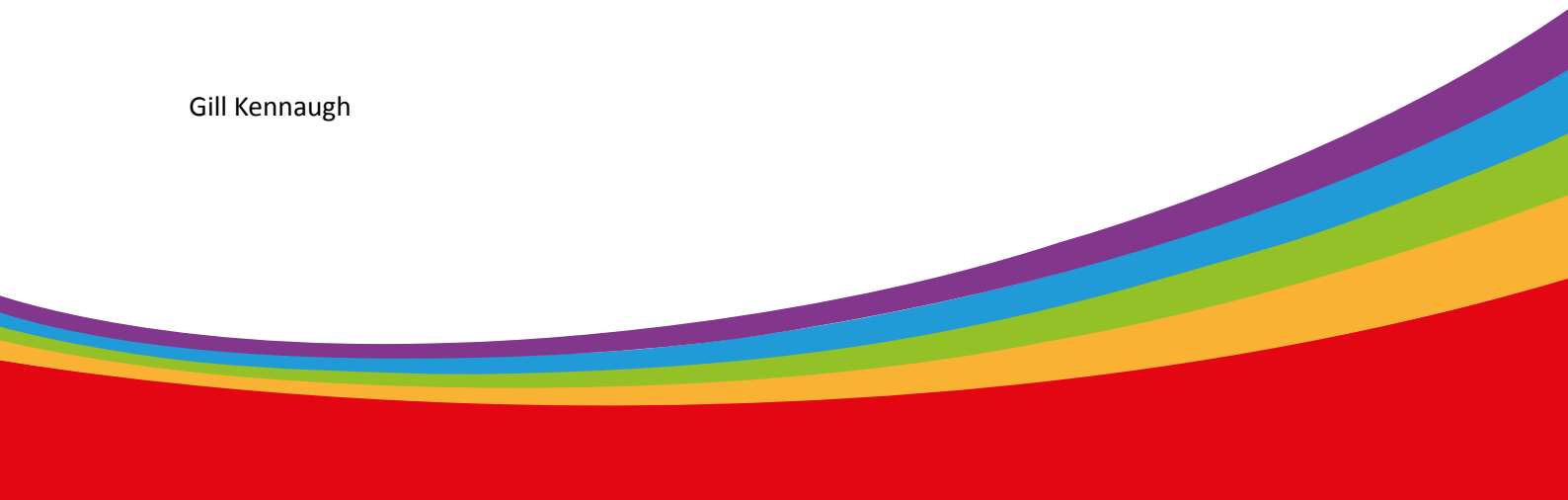
On warmer days, children should be applied with sunscreen before school and wear a hat. Children should always bring a filled water bottle.

I wish you a lovely, sunny weekend,

Yours sincerely



Gill Kennaugh



# STARS OF THE WEEK



**Bee** Arthur C & Kiki G

**1K** Olivia K & Altan H

**2T** Thai P & James W

**3OG** Daniel P & Elisa P

**4C** Charlie B & Freddie S

**5B** Robin L & Lexi G

**6B** Tyler C & Lea K

**Ladybird** Mackenzie P & William C

**1R** Henry G & Felix B

**2G** Ruby E & Flora K

**3KR** Louis G & Finley A

**4H** Mohammed H & Astrid H

**5H** Izaac D & Maisie A

**6A** Louis F & Artie B



## CURRICULUM CORNER

### Super Spellings!

## SPOT SPELLING PATTERNS IN OUR ENVIRONMENT!

This week, keep an eye out for different **spelling patterns** you have learnt. You might see them on **signs**, in **shops**, on **packaging** or **books/**  
**magazines** that you read.

Happy **spelling pattern** hunting!

# Science Week



Newbridge  
Science  
Week  
2021



What an amazing Science Week we've had here at Newbridge!

With the fabulous weather we have had this week, we were lucky enough to carry out lots of our scientific learning outside.

Each day was filled with engaging experiments, interesting activities and science - driven discussions based around the theme of 'Journeys'. Our journey back in time was a huge success and the children loved finding out about a range of endangered or extinct animals, researching to find out about their survival. It has been a pleasure to see the children so excited and fully immersed in the learning experiences that this week offered.

Well done Newbridge for a great Science Week!

## Competition

Well done to everybody who has entered the Science Week competition. Your entries have blown us away! Thank you for taking the time to construct your models. We have been astounded by each entry, and are really looking forward to announcing the winners on Monday. Look out for the winning names and photographs in next week's newsletter.





# SCHOOL LIFE THIS WEEK

Reception went on a 'Journey to Africa'! They read Handa's Surprise and tried the African fruits from the story. They were really brave, as they had not tried some of them before





For Science Week **YEAR 1** have studied 'A Journey through the Seasons'. As part of this they have studied light and made sun catchers





**YEAR 2** have been looking at Journeys for Survival and have investigated which conditions woodlice prefer to live in. The children had lots of fun creating different chambers in shoeboxes and hunting for woodlice to go in them





**3KR** have been investigating the effects of sea levels from land ice and sea ice



**3OG** had so much fun during Science week. Their journey was to the Mariana Trench and they also learned about the extinct Megalodon. Here are some paintings and posters they made about this amazing beast!

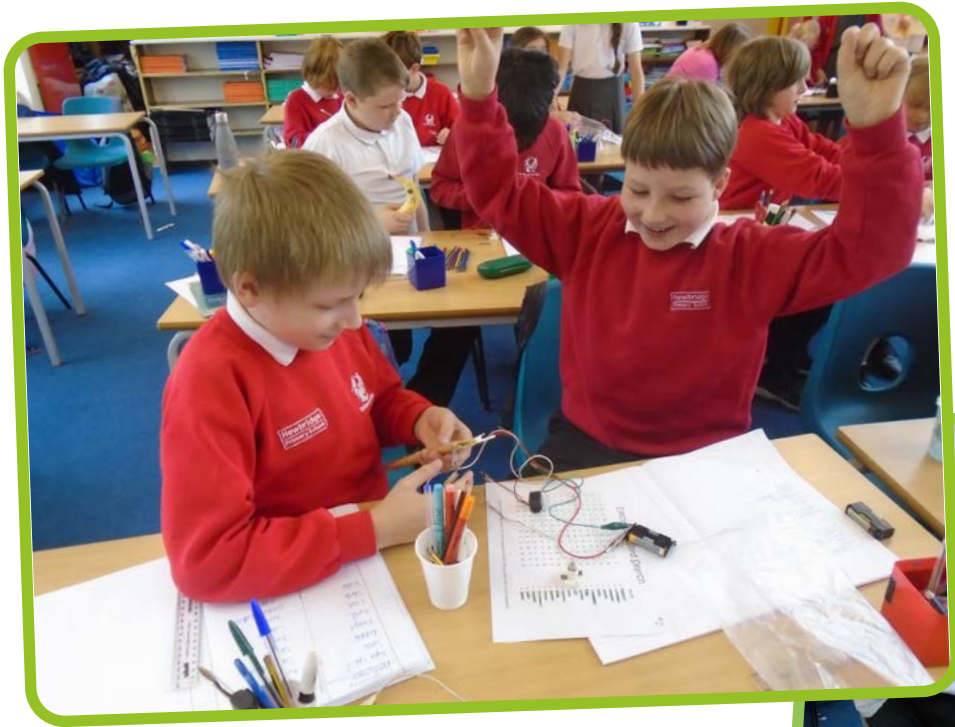


# **YEAR 4** A journey through nature: Under My Feet: Classifying living things on the field



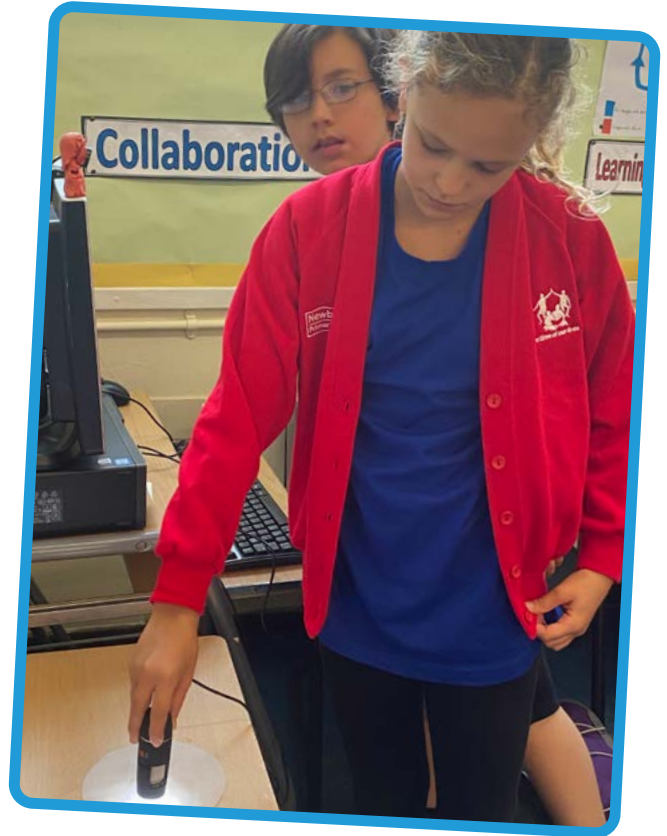
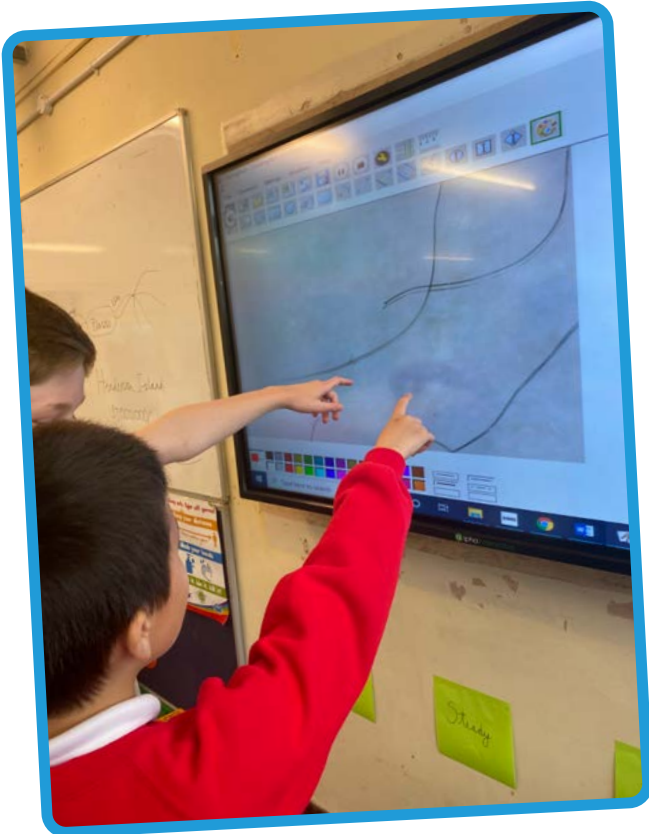


**YEAR 5** enjoyed finding out which materials conduct electricity in order to make music with their 'Makey Makeys' (Google it and find out what it is!)

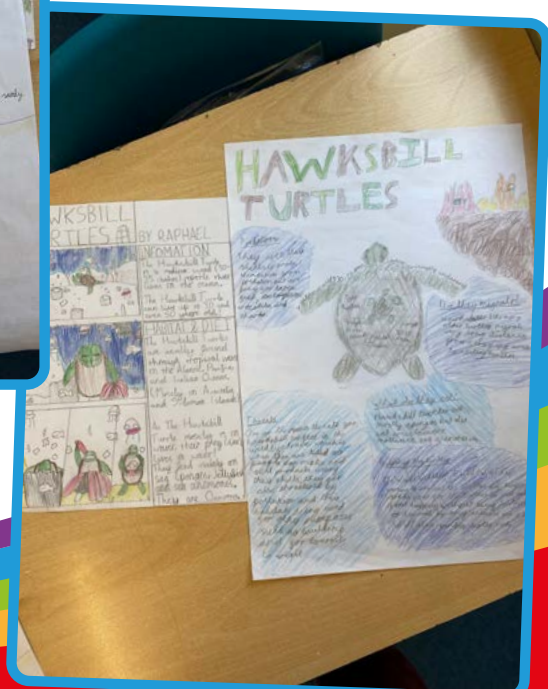
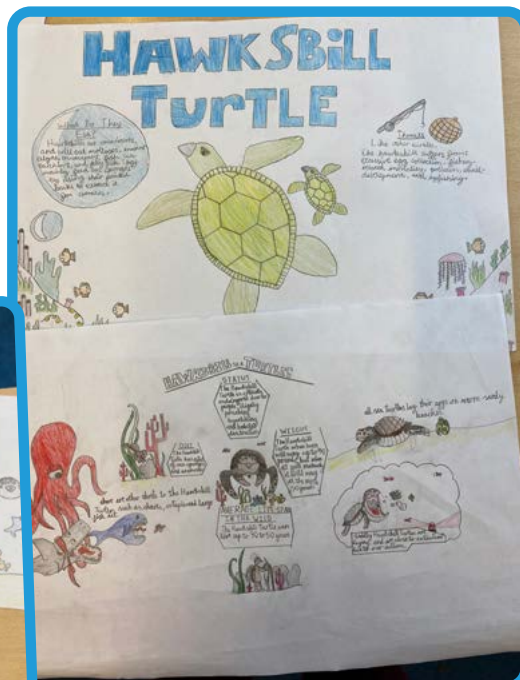




**YEAR 6** investigating plastics in synthetic fleeces - they used a microscope and were shocked by the results!



**YEAR 6** created double paged spreads about the Hawksbill Turtle - a critically endangered animal



# BIG SUMMER SCAVENGER HUNT

ARE YOU UP FOR THE CHALLENGE?  
GET OUTDOORS, HUNT DOWN  
THE HIDDEN RIDDLES AND  
CRACK THE CODE!

24TH JULY-  
7TH AUGUST  
2021



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