

# Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have had a good week and that you are looking forward to the half term break. The children continue to build their resilience and have demonstrated very positive attitudes to learning across the term. Today, everyone enjoyed 'Feel Good Friday' with the theme, How Music Makes Us Feel. Whilst of course, there has been much emphasis on well-being since the return to school, these dates are special to the children and offer the sense of the importance we place on taking care of ourselves.

## **Residential Visits 2021**

Much awaited news has now been clarified. In line with government guidance, we are on track to hold our Year 5 and Year 6 residential visits in Term 6. Very sadly, the current Year 6 did not get to have their visit when they were in Year 5, but are now excited to know that they will complete their Year 6 trip before leaving Newbridge. We have had to negotiate some changes and have not been able to carry out the visits as originally planned, but we are all very relieved that we will be able to complete these invaluable experiences. Year 5 will go to Great Wood in Somerset between 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> June and Year 6 will go to Kilve Court, also in Somerset, between 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> July.

This really is great news and hopefully bodes well for more activities being able to take place in coming months.

## **Science Week**

Please look out for information below about Science Week which is being held in the week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> June. The theme this year is 'Journeys'. Also, look out for the competition!

## **Relationships, Sex and Health Education**

Thank you for the responses we received to the online survey – these were very helpful. Mrs O'Gara, Mrs Button and Mrs Bartlett will hold a Zoom meeting for parents in Year 5 and 6 about the content of the curriculum on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 5pm. This is the link to the meeting:

https://bathnes.zoom.us/j/94749252642?pwd=ZFFyUXVETG9RTy9QeE52ZE5rUWU1QT09.

Please also see the following link for curriculum content about LGBTQ relationships. <u>https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/key-information/policies</u>

#### Thank you, Mrs Titchener

Thank you to Mrs Titchener who has been such a brilliant member of our teaching team since starting in her role in Class 2T during the pandemic. She was appointed to cover maternity absence and has now completed this as Mrs O'Byrne has returned to work and Mrs Edmunds will return on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Mrs Titchener will remain at Newbridge for Term 6 in the capacity of an intervention teacher in Year 1 and Year 2.

#### **School Uniform and PE Kit**

All children should now being wearing full school uniform and this includes on PE days. Please note that school sweatshirts are to be worn on PE days, not hoodies or other sweatshirts.

#### **Curriculum Overviews**

Next term's learning for your child is detailed on the website at https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/classes

#### **Contact Tracing**

During the holiday period, please email <u>newbridge\_pri@bathnes.gov.uk</u> to report any positive Covid-19 results.

# 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.

## 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 <a href="https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/school-life/termdates">https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/school-life/termdates</a>

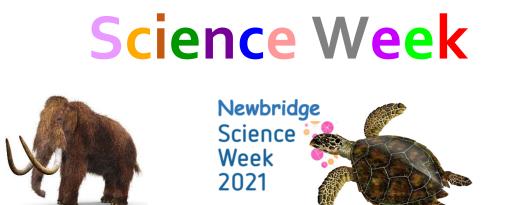
Thank you for your ongoing support and I wish you a restful half term. We return for Term 6 on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Yours sincerely

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STARS OF THE WEEK			
Bees	Phoenix K-G & Ada H	Ladybirds	Nell W & Reuben C
1R	Sam R & Evie J	<b>1</b> K	Victor & Rose S
2G	Harry A & Jake S	2T	Olivia S & Romi H
30G	Zach D & Zelda L	3KR	Oliver R & Mally S
<b>4C</b>	Hattie M & Evie D	4H	John J & Iris H
5B	Bess P & Ritvik G	5H	Elijah A & Rose K
<b>6A</b>	Raihan A-R & Lilia H	6B	Elsie M & Nandini S



From Monday 7<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June we will be celebrating Newbridge Science Week 2021. The theme of this year's Science Week is 'Journeys'. We will be exploring a range of different journeys across the school. Think, journeys of survival, journeys through the air, journeys through the water; it's all happening here during this action-packed week! The whole school will have the opportunity to travel on a journey back in time, researching incredible creatures that are extinct or endangered.

Are you ready for this exciting event?

# **Competition Time**

As part of Newbridge's journey back in time, we are launching a Science Week competition. This year, we would like you to construct a 3D model of a creature that is either endangered or extinct. Your model could be made using paper mache, junk modelling equipment, Lego, plastic or anything else you can think of, to make the creature. Please take two pictures of your finished model. One with you holding the creature and the other, a close up of the model. To enter the competition, you will need to submit your two photographs onto Google Classroom by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June. There will be one winner per class and these will be announced on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June.



