



Welcome to Reception!

Teachers



Miss Mylan
Ladybird Class



Miss Hill
Bee Class

Teaching Assistants



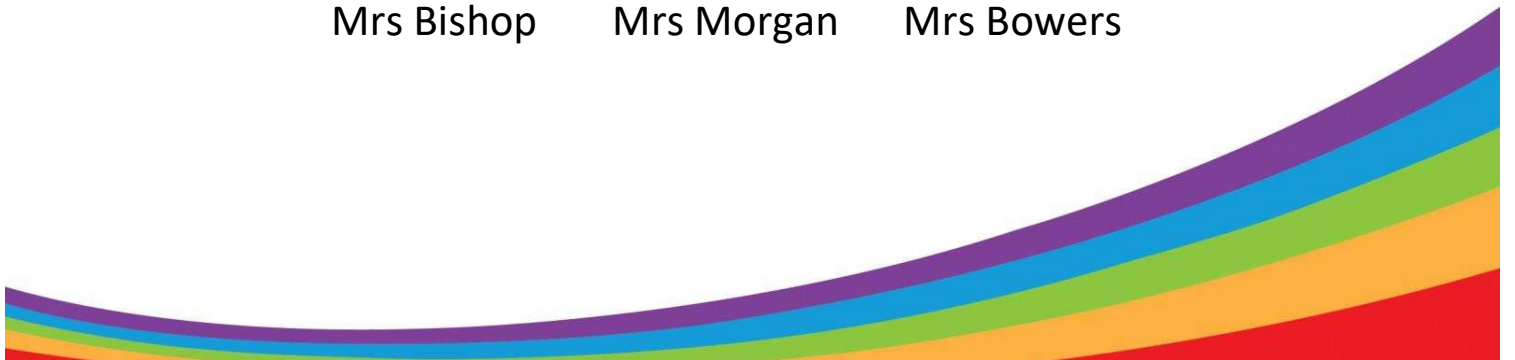
Mrs Bishop



Mrs Morgan



Mrs Bowers



Welcome

Welcome to Newbridge Primary School Ladybird and Bee Class! Your children are settling into school life and we are excited about the learning journey which lies ahead. Please do contact the school via telephone or email if you have something you wish to discuss with your class teacher.

Meet the Team

Ladybird Class is taught by Miss Mylan.

Bee Class is taught by Miss Hill.

Our teaching assistants in Reception are Mrs Bowers, Mrs Bishop and Mrs Morgan.

Learning in Reception

In Term 1, our enquiry is 'Who am I?'. This means we will be learning about ourselves. You may like to talk about your family at home and memories of special family times.

Planning, Preparation and Assessment

All teachers are entitled to 10% Planning, Preparation and Assessment time (PPA).

PPA time for Reception teachers is on a Wednesday.

Overview of a regular day in Reception

8:45: Morning welcome, handwriting and register

9:00 Taught Session 1 (e.g. English, Maths)

9:20: Continuous and Enhanced Provision (English or Maths based)

10:00 Snack time

10:20: Playtime

10:35: Continuous and Enhanced Provision (English or Maths based)

11:20 Phonics

12:00: Lunch

1:05: Taught Session 2

1:30: Continuous and Enhanced Provision

2:30 Playtime

2:45: Circle Time – A time in which children gather in a circle to participate in guided discussion (PSHE, RE).

3:00 Story Time

3:15 Home Time

Continuous and Enhanced Provision is the resources and environment that have been planned and laid out for your child to explore and learn freely. The adults will play alongside the children and will observe their learning during this time.

Drinks and Snacks

Please send the children in with a bottle filled with water every day. Snacks are provided every day in the morning by the school. Your child can also have a free carton of milk at snack time until they are 5.

Behaviour and Rewards

At Newbridge Primary School, we use the 'Behaviour Buddies' to model behaviour and tell social stories to the children. Their names are Safe Sam, Responsible Ravi and Respectful Robin. The star is used daily to reward children for modelling our school values and for following behaviour expectations. At the end of the day, the children will receive a sticker if they are on the star. At the end of each week, two Star of the Week certificates will be awarded in Assembly for those who have consistently modelled our school values and have tried hard in their learning all week. Please [click here](#) to find our Behaviour Policy.



Toilets

The children can use the toilets in the classroom at any time during the school day.

Supporting your child's learning at home

Reading at home – We will be sending in reading books when the children are in full time. We recommend daily reading, but please read at least 3 times a week with your child. It is also valuable to share books for enjoyment and encourage children to choose and look at books independently. We would love to learn more about your favourite books.

Phonics – When we begin phonics, we will post the sounds and tricky words that we have learned during the week on Google Classroom. Please revisit these at home and practise reading and writing them. We encourage any writing at home. (e.g.: names, shopping lists, stories)

Maths – Please practice counting up to 20 and rapid recall of number bonds to 5 and 10. Please [click here](#) find our Homework policy and our [class page](#) on the website.

What to bring to school

Water bottles, waterproof coats and book bags should be brought to school every day. Please ensure all items of clothing and belongings are named. Please do not bring any toys or personal items.

Outdoor Learning

Reception will use the Forest School on a Monday afternoon. Please come to school in Forest School clothes and trainers or shoes. We go out in all weathers so the children may get muddy and wet!

Clothing to wear:

- Long sleeve top and trousers/leggings/joggers
- Trainers/Shoes
- Clothing to bring in a named large bag:
- Waterproof jacket and trousers
- Wellies with a plastic bag to carry them home

P.E.

Our P.E. day is a Wednesday. Please send your child to school dressed in their P.E. kit.

This includes a P.E. t-shirt (in your child's house colour), plain black shorts/leggings, daps/velcro trainers and a school sweatshirt/cardigan. Both Forest School and P.E. will start when the children are in school full-time.

Inhalers

If your child needs an inhaler please check they have an in date one in school and that you have filled out an indemnity form. This can be found on the school website by [clicking here](#).

Volunteers

We are really pleased that we will be able to have volunteers in school, starting in Term 2. If you would like to support with reading, maths or have any other skills that you feel would support the children's learning, then please let us know. We would really appreciate the extra help, and know from first-hand experience that the children benefit greatly from extra input from an adult.

Contacting us

If you wish to contact us about any concerns, however small, please do contact the school office at any time, using the email address enquiries@newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk.

Many thanks,

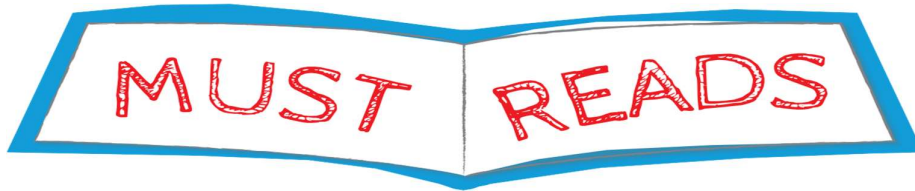
The Reception Team



'Must Reads'

Again, this year, we are working on fostering a love of reading throughout the school. To this end we have chosen six books that we would like every child to read or have read to them over the year. These books have been carefully chosen by their class teachers and it is hoped that every child will, by July, have read every one.

Thank you very much for your anticipated support!
The English team



Reception

My Shadow is Pink – Scott Stuart

The Squirrels who Squabbled -Rachel Bright

Grandad's Camper – Harry Woodgate

A Dress with pockets – Lily Murray & Jenny Leslie

The very hungry caterpillar – Eric Carle

Where's my Teddy? - Jez Alborough

