



NEWBRIDGE News

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- Tuesday 09/01/19**
 - Young Voices
- Thursday 11/01/19**
 - Y4 Visit from Julian House
- Monday 15/01/18**
 - Maths Calculation Policy Meeting: 2.40pm
 - Clubs Start
 - Y3 Cake Sale & Bake Off
- Tuesday 16/01/18**
 - Ladybird Class Assembly: 2.40pm
- Tuesday 23/01/18**
 - Bee Class Assembly: 2.40pm
 - BPSAF Abbey Concert
- Tuesday 30/01/18**
 - EYFS Maths Mtg for Parents: 9am
 - Y3 Walk around Newbridge
- Tuesday 06/02/18**
 - Safer Internet Day
- Friday 09/02/18**
 - End of Term 3
- Monday 19/02/18**
 - Start of Term 4
- Friday 09/03/18**
 - Shared Learning
- Monday 12/03/18**
 - Shared Learning
- Tuesday 13/03/18**
 - Timestable Workshop: 2.30pm
- Wednesday 14/03/18**
 - Shared Learning
- Thursday 15/03/18**
 - Dance Umbrella
- Monday 19/03/18**
 - Y6 Lifeskills
- Thursday 22/03/18**
 - Y6 SATS & Barton Hall Meeting: 6pm
- Friday 23/03/18**
 - Inset Day
 - End of Term 4

YOUNG VOICES

TUESDAY 9TH JANUARY

Please let Mrs Houston know if you would like to purchase a ticket for Young Voices on Tuesday. There are a few spares.

Many thanks

DINNER MONEY

Please ensure dinner money is paid in advance. If you still owe money please could you pay as soon as possible.

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year and welcome back to Term 3. I hope that you all managed to find some relaxing down time over the holiday period; following the very busy end of Term 2.

New year, new start: The start of term and a new year is a good time to present all of the reminders about our high expectations across the school. In the whole school assembly on Monday I will be talking to the children about always being the best we can be. I will raise points about respecting our school, keeping it tidy, looking after possessions, moving around the school quietly, having excellent table manners, wearing the school's expected uniform and being respectful at all times. I believe that these standards are intrinsic to a cohesive school community and are valuable life skills.

Please can I ask for your support of the school rules at the beginning and end of the day; children are not allowed to ride scooters on site or climb fences and trees.

Arrival at school in the morning, punctuality and attendance: Our high expectations extend to punctuality and attendance and I ask that all parents meet their responsibility for children arriving on time at the start of the day and attending all sessions possible.

Year 1 and 2 children must be in their classrooms for registration at 8:50am, with the classroom doors being open at 8:45am. Reception children must be in line at this time. For children in Years 3 to 6, their entrance to school opens at 8:45am and they must be in their classrooms for registration by 8:55am. Please can no upper school children arrive before 8:40am. This is a continuing problem and as I have said before, the children are not supervised until 8:40am.

Mrs Hansard monitors punctuality and attendance and will contact parents when there are concerns about lateness and low attendance. The school's target for attendance is 97.4% and when attendance falls below 90% for an individual child this is recorded as persistent absenteeism. In line with the school's policy, please can I ask that parents contact the school office on each day of a child's absence; providing details of and the reason for absence. With regards to absence requests, these must be made at least two weeks in advance of the planned absence (where possible) and will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. An absence request form can be obtained from the school office.

Curriculum Overviews and Home-Learning: These will be available on the school website today for Term 3. Year 6 children will receive the usual grid of enquiry related activities, but they will also receive English and Maths tasks for completion, the points to be achieved by Year 6 in their home-learning grids have therefore been reduced. We continue to be hugely impressed by all of the home-learning that is shared in school and again thank you for your support with these tasks and activities.

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Maths Calculation Policy: The Maths team has recently re-written the Calculation Policy; this policy clearly defines how calculations are taught in each year group across the school. We have received feedback from parents who express that often calculations are taught in a way that they are not familiar with and so we thought it would be helpful to offer a short meeting to share the policy. Mrs Bartlett will lead this on Monday 15th January at 2:40pm. Please sign-up in the school office if you would like to attend.

Young Voices 2018: Good luck to the ninety children who are performing with the choir at the Birmingham Arena next week. This will be an incredible experience and again we are very grateful to Mrs Houston for providing this opportunity.

And finally... We offer Mrs Masi a very warm welcome as Teaching Assistant in Year 1 and Mrs Evered as a lunchtime supervisor. We also welcome Florence to our school who has joined Year 4.

Wishing you a good weekend.

With kind regards

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YOUNG VOICES

TUESDAY 9TH JANUARY

We are off to Birmingham on Tuesday to sing with 8,000 other children in the fantastic Young Voices.

Please ensure your child is practicing madly so that they have as much fun as possible on the day.

Audience tickets & T shirts will be sent home today (if you ordered them).

Final reminders of timing, what to wear, food etc will come via parent mail. In the mean time...

PRACTISE, PRACTISE, PRACTISE

Go to youngvoices.co.uk and click on the childrens' section and put in code YVConcerts2018

Or visit our school website <http://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/parentscarers/music>

FOREST SCHOOL CLUB SIGN UP

The deadline for Year 5 & 6 Forest School Club is Tuesday 9th January. Sarah will confirm your place by Thursday 11th January.

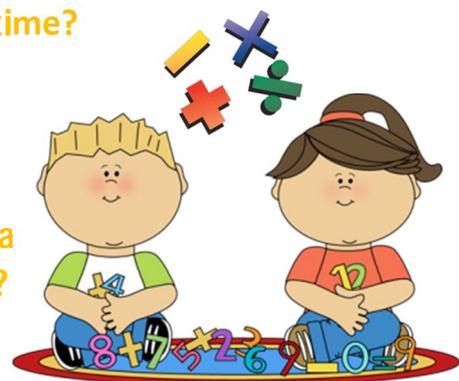
THANK YOU

WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP!!

Do you have any free time?

Would you like to support our children with their maths?

Would you like to put a smile on a child's face?



If your answer to the above questions is 'Yes', then we would love you to volunteer to support our children throughout the school with their mathematical understanding. You do not need an A 'level in maths, just patience and time!

If you think this would be a great opportunity for you to help ... even if it is just 15 minutes one morning a week ... then please let Mrs Bartlett know, via the School Office.

If you need a DBS certificate please see Mrs Hill in the school office.

THANK YOU