



NEWBRIDGE NEWS

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- Tuesday 23/01/18**
 - Bee Class Assembly: 2.40pm
 - BPSAF Abbey Concert
- Wednesday 24/01/18**
 - Y5 Walk
- Tuesday 30/01/18**
 - EYFS Maths Mtg for Parents: 9am
 - Y3 Walk around Newbridge
- Wednesday 31/01/18**
 - Y2 Multisport Winter Festival
- 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
- Tuesday 20/03/18**
 - Y5 Kilve Court Meeting: 6pm
- Thursday 22/03/18**
 - Y6 SATS & Barton Hall Meeting: 6pm
- Friday 23/03/18**
 - Inset Day
 - End of Term 4

DINNER MONEY

All dinners should be taken on a weekly basis. Dinner money is £2.60 per day (£13.00 per week). You are welcome to pay per week, month or term. Please could dinner money be paid for **in advance** on the first day of every week (or month/term if appropriate) and **not retrospectively**. Dinner money for the coming terms is as follows:

Jan	21 days =	£54.60
Feb	20 days =	£52.00
March	17 days =	£44.20
		£150.80

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had another great week in school and the importance of our school community and belonging to a community has shone through. 'Community' was our theme for the whole school assembly on Monday and I was impressed at the children's understanding of this and their recognition of the benefits that can be gained from belonging to a community.

Maths Calculation Policy: Thank you to the parents who were able to attend this meeting with Mrs Bartlett on Monday. A new policy has been developed to support the teaching of maths calculation, clearly showing how different year groups will approach it. The policy contains images, with the concrete, pictorial and abstract processes all children need to go through to ensure they have a deep understanding of maths concepts. The concrete-pictorial-abstract method involves using actual objects for children to add, subtract, multiply or divide. They then progress to using pictorial representations of the object, and ultimately, abstract symbols. If you were not at the meeting, you can find the policy on the school website.

As you will know, Maths is one of our key areas for improvement this year and since September the Maths Team has been involved in a good deal of professional development which is being disseminated to the staff. We want to improve the rate of progress in maths and believe that this key policy, enhanced teaching skills and new resources will support this. You will know that the NPSA has very kindly donated funds to purchase new maths equipment and this will be purchased in line with the resources needed to teach the Maths calculation policy.

Baking to support our community: On Monday our Year 3 children were very busy with the generous help of many parents making cakes for their after school sale. This aspect of their enquiry, which demonstrated cross-curricular links, will help the children to understand that profit can be generated through careful planning. They made a profit of £59.86! The children have been considering what they can use their profits for and are looking at ways of ensuring all children have happy playtimes.

Very successful book sale: Well done to Florence, Ivo and Toby who organised a pre-loved book sale last Saturday; they raised £70.52 for Julian House. Again this demonstrated the importance of supporting others and having an awareness of needs in our community. Thank you for being such fantastic ambassadors of Newbridge Primary School.

Finally we have said goodbye to Katherine this week as she leaves Year 6 to move with her family to Bournemouth. We all wish her well.

Enjoy the weekend.

With kind regards
Gill Kennaugh

STARS OF THE WEEK

Bee – Elisa P, Millie M

IO – George E, Suraya R

2C – Amuri V, Alice H

3H – Raihan R, Gabriel WH

4C – Jake B, Betty CH

5B – Tilly L, Robyn H

6A – Ashyana H, Tessa L

Ladybird – Oliver R, Spike F

ISC – Mina M, Max H

2R – Emma R, Zoe L

3A0 – Esmée T, Gracie B

4KE – Ella G, Kaiyah H

5H – Ned B, Harvey A

6B – Daisy S, Grace T

Schoolgateway

From 1st February we will no longer use ParentMail to contact our parents and carers.

We will instead be using School Gateway - this is the same system we currently use for dinner money payments.

For those of you not already using School Gateway you can download the 'School Gateway' app from your app store (Android and iPhone). All you need to activate the app for the first time are your email address and mobile number that school holds on record for you. If you have trouble logging in, please call the office.

If you do not have a smartphone, you will still receive emails from the school.



GIVING BACK IN YEAR 4

By Maia H and Harry D, 4C

In Year 4 our enquiry this term is 'Giving Back'. Stephen from Julian House came to talk to us about how the charity helps and supports homeless people in Bath. Julian House provides shelter, a bed for the night, a hot shower, food and medical assistance. The charity can also help homeless people get training to find a job.

Julian House needs donations of tooth brushes, toothpaste, shower gel, socks, deodorant, gloves, hats, flannels, combs and shampoo.

There is a collection box in the office for any donations you are able to make.

Thank you



ART GALLERY

Year 3 Creative Watercolour Work



By Evelyn J, 3H

By Max C, 3AO

OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB

At The Wildwood, Newbridge Primary School

Our February holiday club days provide a range of fun outdoor activities for children aged 5-11 including:

Den building ~ Campfire cooking ~ Environmental arts and crafts ~ Bush craft ~ Storytelling ~ Games

Plus plenty of opportunities for free range, child-led play and exploration.

The outdoors provides a wonderful environment for adventure to suit all ages and the days will evolve depending on the weather and what the group would like to do.

The Wildwood is an established outdoor learning environment within the grounds of Newbridge Primary School. It is a diverse woodland area with a covered outdoor classroom, a fire circle and an established pond for 'lucky dipping'.



February sessions will be led by Sarah Webb and Julia Butler, both experienced Forest School leaders based in Bath.

Please bring packed lunch and plenty of water. Campfire snacks will be provided in the morning and afternoon.

Wednesday 14th February and Thursday 15th February

9.00am – 4.00pm

Cost: 1 day booking: £35 per day – siblings £30 per child per day

2 day booking: £65 per child

Booking essential, please email valair1@hotmail.com or call on **07825 610145** for a booking form.