



# NEWBRIDGE News

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## Term 5 dates:

**6/5/19**  
Bank Holiday  
**8/5/19**  
KS2 to Matilda  
**w/c 13/5/19**  
KS2 SATs Week  
**16/5/19**  
Year 5 Assembly 2.30pm  
**21/5/19**  
Year 1 Assembly 2.40pm  
**23/5/19**  
Year 4 Assembly 2.30pm  
**24/5/19**  
End of Term 5

## Term 6 dates:

**5/6/19**  
Lower School Football  
Tournament 3.15pm  
**13/6/19**  
Upper School Sports Day  
**21/6/19**  
Mufti Day in exchange for  
Summer Fair donation  
**22/6/19**  
Summer Fair 2pm-4pm  
**28/6/19**  
Inset Day  
**3/7/19**  
School Class Photos  
**4/7/19**  
Lower School Sports Day  
**4/7/19**  
NPSA AGM 7pm  
**12/7/19**  
Family BBQ 5pm  
**17/7/19**  
Yr 6 Production 7pm  
**18/7/19**  
Yr 6 Production 7pm  
**22/7/19**  
Yr 6 Leavers ' Assembly 2pm  
Last day of Term 6 for pupils  
**23/7/19**  
Inset Day

## INSET DATES

2019/20

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

Friday 26th June

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have had a good week.

**Year 5 experience their first residential:** Our Year 5 children return today after three days at Kilve Court. They were met with a wide range of activities and challenges including archery, abseiling, mountain biking and grass sledging. Being away from home in an unfamiliar setting is a challenge in itself and so I know that the children will all feel incredibly proud of themselves. I had the pleasure of visiting the children and staff yesterday and I was delighted to see beaming smiles all round. I overheard children encouraging others, celebrating their achievements and saying, 'This is the best thing I have ever done'. Thank you so much to Mrs Bartlett, Mr Handson, Ms Rhodes, Mrs Houston, Mrs Milne and Mr Mahon who gave up their own time to enable the trip to happen – the children are very fortunate indeed to have their support.

**Thank you Ethan!** Well done to Ethan in Year 3 who very kindly and generously made and sold cakes last weekend to raise funds for the school. He set his sights on contributing towards new resources for the children and raised a whopping £77. This is going to make a big difference – well done Ethan!

**Everyone Active:** Thank you to those who came along on Wednesday morning. Please note that if you have enjoyed these sessions that we have a fun-run on the field, organised by the NPSA, on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May – everyone is very welcome.

**Key Stage 2 to Matilda:** We are looking forward to our upper school visit to see Matilda on the afternoon of Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May. This is a first for our school – taking 250 pupils to a show - brilliantly inspired and organised by Mrs Houston. Please note that the coaches will not be returning to school until approximately 6.30pm. The top gate will be open and all parents must wait on the field so that the children can be alighted safely, before making their way to meet you on the field. Please can I ask that parents inform the class teacher when taking their child home.

**The school allotment:** If you don't usually use the top gate, please take a look at the school allotment. Some fencing has been removed to make it more accessible and welcoming and a new shed added – it looks fantastic. We are very grateful to Lucy Hewson and her willing volunteers who manage this area for everyone to enjoy. If you would like to get involved, in any way, please ask at the school office.

**The Newbridge Arts Trail:** The annual Arts Trail takes place next weekend. This has been a successful local event for a number of years and has always included our children's art work. Please do call into the Blue Room on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> May between 11am and 6pm.

**INSET Dates 2019/20:** Please note that the five INSET Days for the next academic year (2019 – 2020) have now been set. The two remaining INSET days this year are Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June and Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July.

**After school play:** Please can I remind you that children are not permitted to play on the playgrounds after school. We have always allowed children to use the field after school until 4pm when supervised by parents and carers. In using the field, please can I ask that parents ensure children follow the usual school rules of not climbing the walls, the fence or trees or dropping litter.

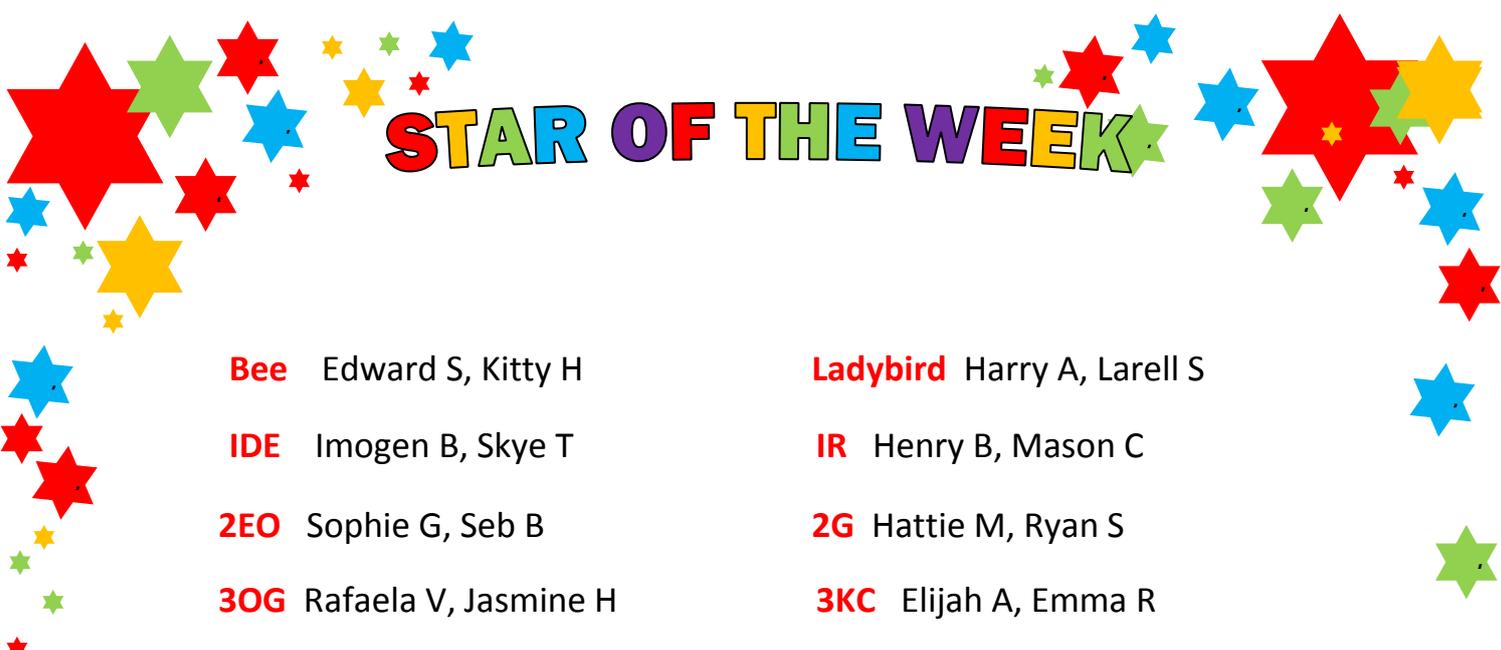
**Scarecrow Trail:** We have some fantastic community events coming up on the school calendar, with one of our annual highlights being the Newbridge Scarecrow Trail. If you would like to make a scarecrow, even if you don't live on the designated route, please come to the office and pick up a form. It is being held on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May and this year's theme is Fantastic Beasts.

**Summer weather:** Let's hope that we have more sunshine and in preparation, please can I remind you that we cannot apply sun-cream to children. Please can all children be provided with a filled water bottle daily and a hat for warmer conditions.

I hope you have a lovely, long weekend.

With kind regards

Gill Kennaugh



## STAR OF THE WEEK

**Bee** Edward S, Kitty H

**IDE** Imogen B, Skye T

**2EO** Sophie G, Seb B

**3OG** Rafaela V, Jasmine H

**4C** Raphael F, Fin D

**5B** Whole Class

**6A** Sophie S, Archie H

**Ladybird** Harry A, Larell S

**IR** Henry B, Mason C

**2G** Hattie M, Ryan S

**3KC** Elijah A, Emma R

**4H** Elodie B, Tori-Olivia B

**5H** Whole Class

**6B** Nicole C, Freya A

## Curriculum Corner

### Super Spellings

This week, make yourself a vowel challenge! Remember all the vowels are: a, e, i, o, u  
Write out your spellings but for each word, replace the vowels with a line.

For example:

would            w \_ \_ ld  
station           st \_ t \_ \_ n

# Sports News...

## Girls' Tag Rugby Festival

Last Wednesday afternoon eleven Y5 and Y6 girls represented Newbridge in a Girls' Tag Rugby Festival held at Avon Rugby Club. The wet weather made for challenging conditions but the girls played with spirit, determination and huge enjoyment. Their understanding of the game with its running, passing, tackling and teamwork progressed rapidly as each game was played. Huge congratulations go to Daisy, Margot, Sophie, Freya, Bertie, Robyn, Kaylie, Emily, Rebecca, Abi and Poppy for being excellent ambassadors for Newbridge and my thanks too for the parents who came to support and offer transport help.

Mr Seaborne *(What a super performance – with great attitude, well done. Ms Kennaugh)*



Above: Daisy, Margot, Sophie, Freya, Bertie, Robyn, Kaylie, Emily, Rebecca, Abi and Poppy

## Quicksticks Hockey County Finals

Last Thursday, six children from Newbridge travelled to Bristol Grammar School to play in the Quicksticks Hockey County Finals. This was part of a bigger event called the School Spring Games. The children had qualified for this event by winning the Bath Schools tournament in February. The squad: George, Sophie, Archie, Immy, Toby and Charlotte played exceptionally well and produced moments of sublime hockey where their skill, positional understanding, passing and teamwork was outstanding and an example to all. The team finished in fifth place over all, winning six out of their seven games and scoring over 20 goals in the process, while conceding only 3. An outstanding performance, the squad should be very proud of themselves. Huge thanks go to the parents who came to support and to provide transport and especially to Mr Anderson for his epic and inspirational coaching.

Mr Seaborne

*(Well done – you are exceptional players and role models. Ms Kennaugh)*



Above: George, Sophie, Archie, Immy, Toby and Charlotte

# Year 4 go to the Roman Baths...



When we walked out of school, I noticed all the beautiful wildlife. While I chatted with my friends and walked really far, I realised we had been walking for 50 minutes. On the way back, we got completely saturated! We rushed back to school and realised we walked 17,000 steps.

We got there and marvelled at the amazing entrance room. Then we got audio guides and went into the first room. I really enjoyed looking at all the amazing, gigantic statues with the algae infested water below. There were so many things to see: Roman coins in one room, a bronze statue of Minerva's head and weird hot springs.

After the guided tour, we were taken to the education room. When we arrived we took part in three different activities: marvellous mosaics, itchy toga wearing and a fascinating lesson about what the Romans used for bathing. After all that I felt like a V.I.P.

By Florrie 4H

## NEWBRIDGE ARTS TRAIL

Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 May 2019  
11am-6pm

At Newbridge Primary School we will be exhibiting children's artwork as well as work by our Art specialist, Paulo Baigent, along with Liz Stallabass, a ceramicist, and Ellen Holt, a jewellery maker. The self-guided trail comprises more than twenty venues in the Newbridge area, many within walking distance of each other. The arts trail will be open from 11.00am to 6.00pm on both days and entry is free. Arts Trail guides will be sent home with your children this weekend.

[www.newbridgearts-trail.com](http://www.newbridgearts-trail.com)

## OUTDOOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT THE WILDWOOD NEWBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



**Our May 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'.**

**Sessions will be led by Sarah Webb and Claire Pickman both experienced Forest School leaders based in Bath.**

**Dates:** May Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 9.00am – 4.00pm

**Please bring packed lunch and a water bottle. Campfire snacks will be provided in the morning and afternoon**

**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](mailto:valair1@hotmail.com)  
or call on 07825 610145 for a booking form.

## Job Opportunity

We are looking to appoint a  
School Meals Supervisory  
Assistant

Monday-Friday  
11.45am -1.45pm

Pay scale LW11 – term time  
only

If you are interested in  
becoming part of the  
Newbridge Primary Staff,  
please contact Mrs Hill in the  
office

## Our Allotment

Thank you to everyone who has donated  
time and equipment to the allotment.

It is looking beautiful!

There are a couple of things we still need.  
If anyone has any gravel or any seeds,  
please let the office know.

