



NEWBRIDGE NEWS

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Monday 7/1/19

Start of term 3

Tuesday 8/1/19

Yr 6 trip to panto

Wednesday 9/1/19

Everyone Active
8.10am

Tuesday 15/1/19

Ladybird Assembly
2.40pm

Wednesday 16/1/19

Everyone Active
8.10am

Thursday 17/1/19

- Year 3 assembly
2.30pm
- NPSA Meeting
7.30pm

Friday 18/1/19

6B and Reception classes cake and second hand uniform sale 3.30pm

Monday 21/1/19

Clubs start

Tuesday 22/1/19

Bee Class assembly
2.40pm

Wednesday 23/1/19

Everyone Active

Monday 4/2/19

Science Week

Wednesday 6/2/19

Everyone Active

Friday 8/2/19

- Bags2school
- Curry and Comedy night
7.30pm

Saturday 9/2/19

- Science Fair
- Planetarium

Monday 11/2/19

Relationship and Sex Education meeting for KS2 parents

Wednesday 13/2/19

Everyone Active
8.10am

Friday 15/2/19

End of term 3

Clubs

Club letters for Terms 3 and 4 are now on the website.

Please apply directly to the club provider.

Dear Parents and Carers

We have reached the end of a very long term - what a marathon of events, but all so delightful and heart-warming.

Volunteers' Thank You: On Monday we thanked our volunteers; it was a small gesture of our appreciation for the amount of time and effort they give to support individual children and groups across the school. We wanted to give something back and so a number of children played instruments in a small concert for them to enjoy. The volunteers then joined our school assembly for a thank you from Rebecca and some glorious singing by the choir and the whole school. We are very lucky to have so many volunteers and we recognise that our job would be so much more difficult without them.

VE Day Cooking and Café: The Year 6 children had cookery lessons on Tuesday – to the style of WW2 recipes. Everyone was involved, with parent help, to make delicious cakes. In the afternoon the children served their wares in a VE Day Café to their peers. This learning was a celebration of their enquiry 'How can we learn from the past?'

Nativity at Emmanuel Church: The lower school were busy again on Wednesday when the Year 2 children performed a very simple and effective nativity in church. Year 1 and Foundation Stage again enjoyed singing their festive songs to the congregation. I don't know how they have managed all that has been asked of them over the past few weeks; but it has been lovely to see them all growing in confidence and enjoying the opportunities.

Upper School Music Concert: I hope you had the pleasure of attending the annual upper school Christmas Music Concert this week. Yet again it was outstanding. I marvelled at the 140 children who participated in the Choir, Orchestra, Blues Band., Year 5 ensemble and the Year 6 ensemble. All of the performances were exceptional and I am truly so proud of everyone who took part. Our parent choir also performed; this was a beautiful performance and was lovely for the children to see. Three Year 7 students returned from their secondary schools to join the performance, demonstrating what impact music at Newbridge has had. Mrs Houston single-handedly put the performance together – her leadership of music across the school is more than exceptional and we are all so grateful for all that she does to encourage and inspire our children to love and learn music. Thank you for your support of the concerts and nativities – our retiring collection this year was to support the NPSA funding of a new sound system in the upper school. We look forward to having speakers of the quality we had to borrow, to ensure the performances could take place.

'Everyone Active': Having received so many positive comments about the fitness and movement to music sessions, we will continue these until February half term. The first session of the new term will be on Wednesday 9th January in the **lower** school hall. We hope to see you there!

Goodbye to staff and children: Today we say goodbye to three members of our staff. Mrs Etheridge has worked in our school for eight years and was first appointed as a Reading Recovery teacher before taking on a class teacher role. She has supported the development of reading throughout the school and very recently helped to re-launch the library. She will be missed by all of her colleagues and we wish her so much luck for the future. Mrs Talley has been working as a teaching assistant and has been such a support to our school. She is now going to train as a teacher and I am delighted for her as I know the profession will benefit hugely from her skills. Mrs Masi is also leaving her role as a teaching assistant. She has been a fabulous member of our team in covering Mrs Beaven's maternity absence; we wish her well for the future. Very sadly the Rai Santiago family leave us today. Alia and Alvaro moved here with their parents from Madrid six years ago and very soon they are all returning. The whole community is going to miss them greatly and we wish them happiness and success for the future.

So finally, I would like to thank you all for your continued support. As I always say, we can never be truly successful unless we work together to achieve the best outcomes for the children. Thank you also for the generous gifts received by the staff; these are very much appreciated.

The children have worked hard and the staff have worked hard and so everyone deserves a fantastic Christmas break.

I wish you all a restful holiday and a very happy and healthy New Year.

I look forward to seeing you all in 2019.

With kind regards

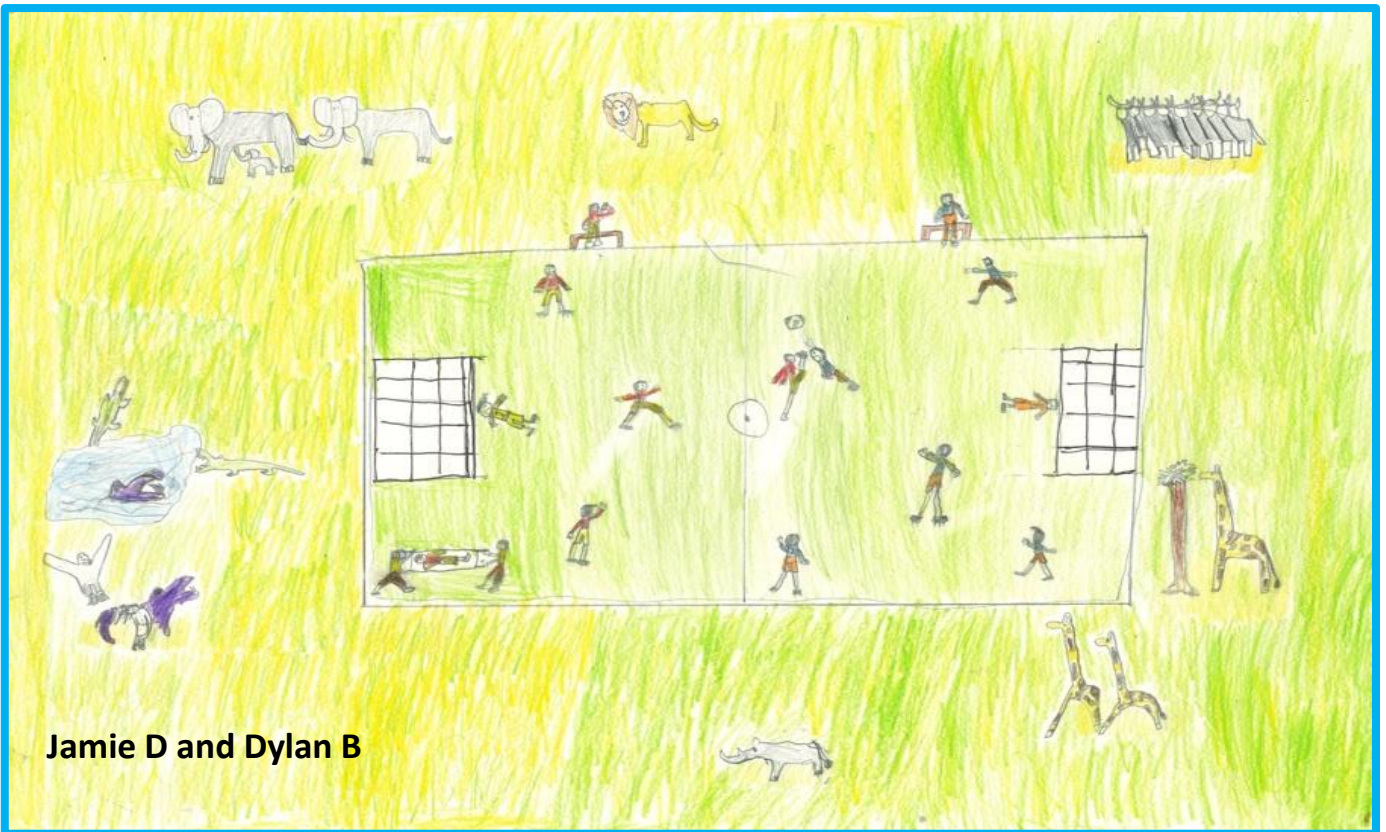
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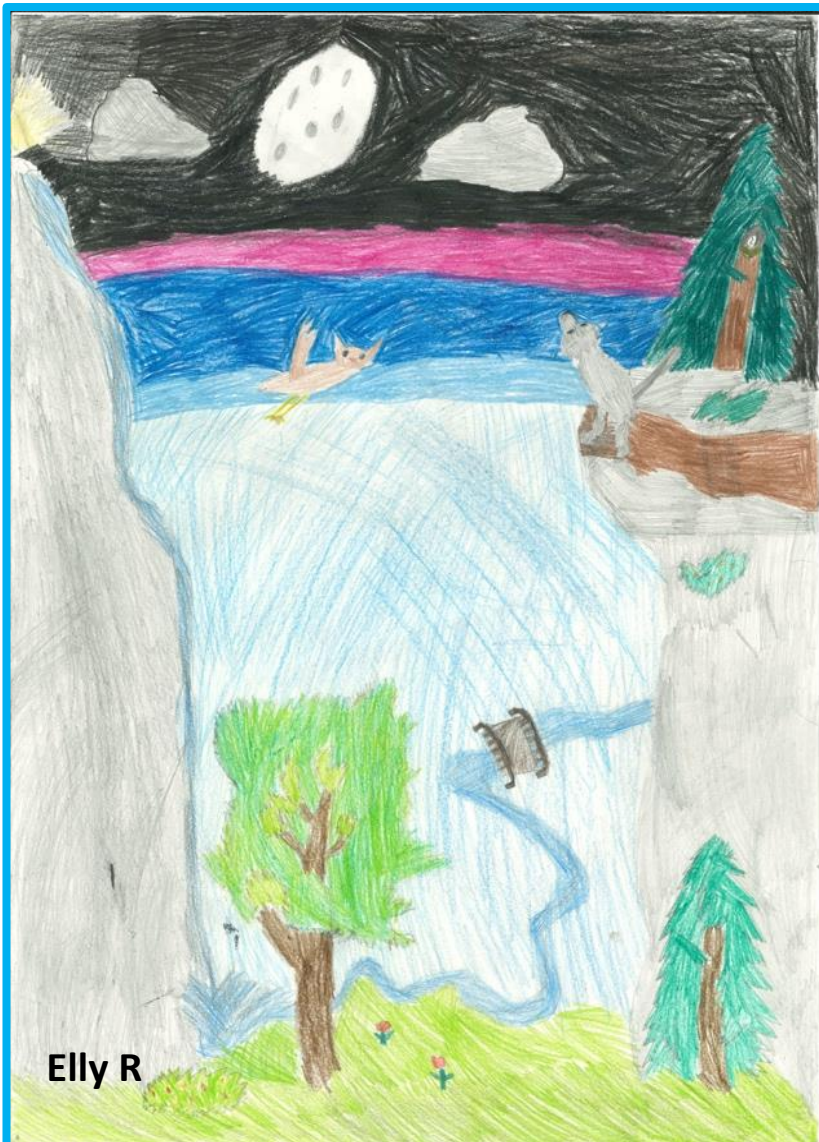
On the 18th of December (Tuesday), Year 6 had V.E Day. Celebrating Victory in Europe Day, we made V.E Day goods and had a party. In the morning 6A made menus and bunting while 6B were baking. We made: rock buns, ginger cake, dripping cake, mini apple pies, vinegar cake and carrot cookies.

After break we swapped round and 6A baked while 6B made menus and bunting. After lunch we had a party in the Blue Room. First, 6B served 6A and brought them their food then we swapped round. Over all I loved the food we made and even though we used unlikely ingredients like vinegar, it paid off!

By Year 6



Jamie D and Dylan B



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