



NEWBRIDGE News

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- Monday 4/2/19**
Science Week
- Tuesday 5/2/19**
Ladybird Class
assembly 2.40pm
- Wednesday 6/2/19**
Everyone Active
8.10am
- Friday 8/2/19**
 - Bags2school
 - Curry and Comedy night
7.30pm
- Saturday 9/2/19**
 - Science Fair 2pm-4pm
 - Planetarium 10am-5pm pre booking only

- Monday 11/2/19**
Relationship and Sex Education meeting for all parents 2.30pm
- Tuesday 12/2/19**
Bee Class Assembly 2.40pm
- Wednesday 13/2/19**
Everyone Active 8.10am
- Friday 15/2/19**
End of term 3

Dear Parents and Carers

Everything is now back to normal at school following the deluge of snow on Thursday and Friday. Please note, as per the email sent on Wednesday, that any notification of school closure will be posted on the Bath and North East Somerset website at www.bathnes.gov.uk/school-closures as soon as a decision can be made. This will be followed by an email to all parents and carers.

‘Boys in Mind, Girls Mind Too’: You may or may not have heard of this local strategy, which has been in its infancy for the past two years. Mr Cumpson, our Year 4 teacher, has been instrumental in setting up this strategy, along with Kate Murphy and Gill Welch. Mr Cumpson hosted the launch event at Widcombe Social Club which was very well supported. The aims of the strategy are: to reduce stigma around mental health for boys and young men; to encourage boys and young men to seek support and to support their friends; and to explore and challenge stereotypes and gender conditioning. We are the lead primary school for the project and we must celebrate three children who have contributed to the work so far. In such a mature manner the boys featured in a short film; Ben, Daniel and Josh should be recognised for their ability to speak out and in turn support others when discussing ‘What it means to be a boy’. Please see their film and others, along with many useful resources at www.boysinmind.co.uk As a school we will promote these messages to both children and parents and we will update you soon on activities we plan to have.

Science Week – What’s in store?: We had another whole school assembly last Monday to show children what fun science can be. They were wowed by the experiments demonstrated and it caused a real buzz in the lead up to our Science Week, starting today. Science is a key theme on our school development plan and so we want the whole school community to be excited about Science, along with technology, engineering and maths. The NPSA and Rotork are very kindly sponsoring this week and the children will be visited by Bath University, Beechen Cliff STEM ambassadors, dentists, Wessex Water, Mini Professors, Fun Science and more. The fun continues into the weekend with a Science Fair. All of the activities are free of charge except for the planetarium, which does need to be booked and paid for.

Intergenerational Links with Newbridge Towers:

On Wednesday our Year 5 children paid another visit to our friends at Newbridge Towers. The children are taking time to get to know the residents and this week Miles very kindly made some shortbread to take along and share. What a lovely thought. Please see below a lovely photo from Wednesday.

SENDCo update: Mrs Earle is changing roles and we have therefore appointed a new SENDCo (Special Educational Needs Coordinator) following interviews last Tuesday. Mr Alex Bacon will be joining our team after the February half term. He comes from a very experienced background and we are very much looking forward to working with him.

Paint Force Day: Please see below for details of another paint force activity. We would welcome your help and any time you may be able to give would be greatly appreciated.

Good luck to Ladybird Class who are holding their first class assembly tomorrow at 2:40pm.

I hope you have a good week.

With kind regards
Gill Kennaugh





FEBRUARY PAINT FORCE

Join us during **half term** for a fun filled paint force day on **Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd February, 9:30 - 16:00** to prep and paint the **lower school hall / canteen.**

Children are welcome to play in the lower school playground and the Playpod will be open. Snacks, refreshment and music will be provided to keep energy levels high, but please bring a packed lunch if you can, so we can try and finish the whole job.

Any **SAFE ladders, sanding equipment, paintbrushes, rollers** etc, most gratefully received. **Huge thanks to the team at Davies and Co who have once again donated all paint to the school for FREE.**

If you can help out on both OR either of these days or you have seen an area of the school site – loos, corridors etc that you would personally like to spruce up, then please **get in touch with Katy** Hancock : katyhancockis@hotmail.co.uk or 07970 036979.

Our Paint Force Days will only go ahead if we get a good group of volunteers; traditionally great fun and a chance to get to know more people, we welcome any ability!