



NEWBRIDGE News

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Dates for Term 4:

25/2/19

Term 4 starts

28/2/19

Y6 SATs meeting and
Y6 Residential Meeting
4.30pm

5/3/19

Y1 Phonics meeting 2.45pm

7/3/19

World Book Day
Book at Bedtime 5.00pm

w/c 18/3/19

Y6 Residential

27/3/19

Y2 SATs meeting 2.45pm

28/3/19

Parents' Evening – all years

w/c 1/4/19

Arts Week

1/4/19

Dance Umbrella (for those
involved)

3/4/19

Parents' Evening – all years

4/4/19

Y5 Residential Meeting
3.30pm

5/4/19

End of Term 4

Inset days agreed so far
for 2019/20:

2nd September, 2019

3rd September, 2019

and Monday 20th July,
2020.

Does anyone have any
children's audio books
they no longer require?

We would be very grateful
for any suitable donations.
Please leave them at the
school office.
Thank you.

Dear Parents and Carers

What an incredible week and weekend we had – truly putting Newbridge on the map.

Comedy and Curry Night: Thank you so much to Emma Puzey, Katherine Wellings and Katy Hancock who organised the Comedy and Curry Night last Friday. This was another first on the Newbridge calendar and by far exceeded any expectations we had. It was simply brilliant and so much fun. Of course it could not have happened without Daniel Kitson, Louise Leigh, Tom Parry, Riordan DJ and Gavin Osborn - the comedians, who all gave their time for free.

The Science Fair – It was BRILLIANT! Thank you so much for the many, many positive snippets of feedback we have received about the STEM Fair. It went down a storm with children and adults alike and we are delighted that so many people could access the activities. We particularly need to thank Amy Wade, Sarah Milne and Tamsin Smith who managed the planning stages and of course Amy Osborn, the NPSA and a host of volunteers for supporting the event. Rotork were very generous in their sponsorship, which meant we could open children's minds by immersing them in the wonderful world of science, technology, engineering and maths. We also must thank Kate and Keith Lunt who again designed and printed the programmes. We are so fortunate to have such support and expertise around us – thank you so much everyone – this is exactly what makes Newbridge so special.

Bee Class Assembly: We had such a treat on Tuesday afternoon when Bee Class performed their first ever class assembly. Yet again we were all struck by the confidence of the children who have clearly enjoyed so many aspects of their learning. They sang a welcoming song, saying 'hello' in many different languages, played a film they had made of their wonderful storytelling of 'We're going on a bear hunt' and shared with us their teddy bears. All of this was done with great big smiles and so much enjoyment. Miss Keane needs to be congratulated too as this was her first class assembly! Well done Bee Class – we are all so proud of you!

Everyone Active: There was another fantastic turn-out at our Everyone Active session on Wednesday morning and well done to Tabitha, who isn't even two years old, who was recognised for her free-style dance moves. Karen King has been a fantastic role model – welcoming, encouraging and very energetic – we have loved the dance sessions and thank you to everyone who has joined in. After half term we are aiming to get outside on the field to start running again. This will be weather dependent and so if we need to have another indoor session, we will. If we run on the field, this will be on a Thursday, not a Wednesday.

Year 1 in Space: What a fun day Year 1 have had today! The children have all been learning many space facts and look fantastic as aliens and astronauts! Thank you for your support in this.

Special visitor to Year 2: What a super morning Year 2 had, learning all about Korean New Year. Mina's mum very generously gave her time, brought in wonderful resources and looked beautiful in her native dress.

Term dates: As we are a maintained Bath and North East Somerset school, we follow their term dates – this has always been the case. Within the terms set, we also have to set five training (INSET) days a year. Our professional development is timed to support new members of staff, new initiatives, the school development plan and planning. Three training days have been set for next year - 2nd and 3rd September 2019 and 20th July, 2020. Two further dates need to be agreed and these will be shared with you as soon as possible.

Code of Dress: Please can I remind parents that all hair longer than collar length needs to be tied back – thank you.

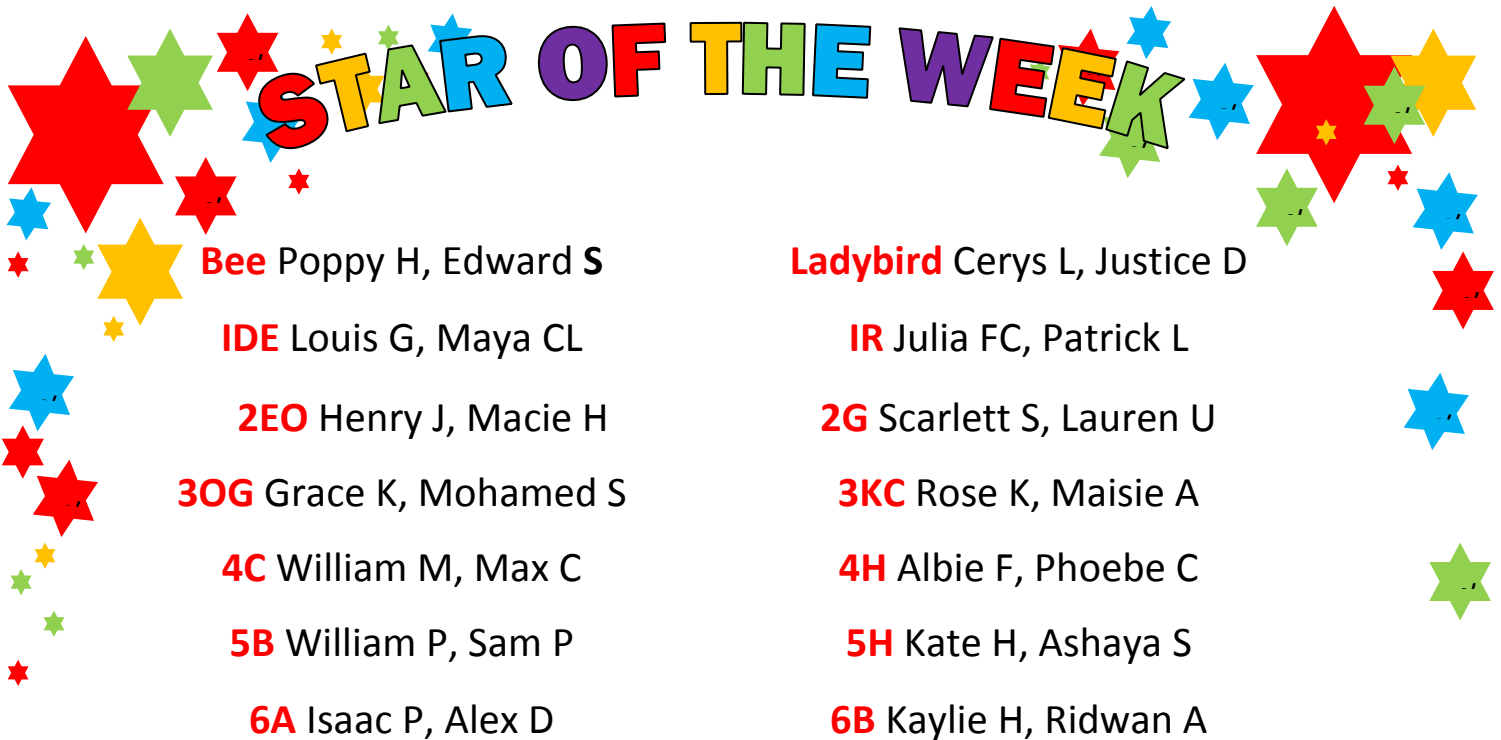
Lost property: Please have a look before you go home today at the collection of lost property in the upper school foyer and outside the school office. Please can I also remind you that all lunch boxes must go home.

Paint Force Day: Please see below for details of another paint force activity. We would welcome your help; any time you may be able to give would be greatly appreciated. The lower school hall looks very drab and as this is also our dining space, it needs a spruce-up to make it a much more inviting place for everyone.

I hope you have a good week and the sun continues to shine.

With kind regards

Gill Kennaugh



Netball Report - Newbridge B v Roundhill

On Thursday 7th February we had a thrilling experience playing a netball match against Roundhill Primary School. We were very nervous to start with, as we weren't playing at Newbridge but once we got going we were unstoppable. We won the match 9-0. (Unfortunately, 2 seconds after the final whistle went, Nicole scored a goal that didn't count). We would like to thank Mrs Bartlett, our coach, for helping and supporting to make us better players. Also, we would like to thank the adults who took us there and back, making this possible for us to play.

We are really looking forward to playing in the next round against Castle Primary School at home, as we had an amazing time and can't wait to play again - by Nicole and Emily (*Well done team – what great spirit, Ms Kennaugh*)

I would like to add how very proud I am of the whole team. They not only played brilliantly but were also great ambassadors for Newbridge. They encouraged each other and the opposition, while battling through heavy rain and winds and a very slippery court. Nicole was particularly brave as she fell over and hurt her knees but was determined to play on despite being heavily bandaged up. WELL DONE EVERYONE and thank you to Mrs Griffith, Mrs Donovan and Mrs Massi who supported the children. Our next game is against Castle Primary School on Tuesday 26th March at home.

Our A team will play Oldfield Junior School (away) on Monday 25th March and on Monday 11th March, our Year 6 girls will take part in the B&NES netball finals at Wellsway School. Mrs Bartlett

Our STEM Fair...thank you everyone.



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!

Rev. Clive Garrett

Many of you will know Clive; he has served in our area for many years, and as a School Governor, having contact with many of you and your families. He is retiring on 31st March and if anyone would like to add their good wishes to a card, or even donate to a collection for him, you can do so in school office.