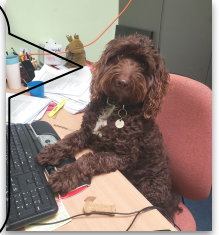


# Bridge School Malvern

## Newsletter - Autumn 1 - 2023

Half way through our first term already. Thanks to Claire for pulling together an overview of the activities and news so far. As you can see, we have had a great start to the new academic year. And I'd like to say thank you to Sarah who set up the newsletter and has been writing it for the last couple of years. She has now handed the baton on to Claire, who I am sure will do a terrific job. Thank you Sarah and Claire.



### Jamie's Farm Residential

Jamie's Farm has the vision to transform young people's lives through a carefully crafted residential programme built around farming, family, therapy, and legacy. Some of our Year 11 pupils attended a week-long residential at the start of the Autumn term. During their stay they undertook real jobs which included farming, cooking horsework and crafts as well as a daily walk in the countryside. The team from Jamie's Farm revisited the pupils later in the term to celebrate their achievements and to continue the legacy work. This is what some of the young people thought...

"I really enjoyed tagging the calves and walking up the Black Mountains everyday."  
"Getting to experience what it was like to live and work on a farm was amazing."



### Boundless whole school trip

On the last day of term, the whole school headed to Boundless to take part in exciting teamwork and communication activities, as well as having lots of fun. The motivation for the day was 'challenge by choice'. The pupils were amazing and embraced the day and the challenge. A great way to end the school year. They made us feel very proud!



### New additions

The pupils have been enjoying getting to know some new faces in animal care. Meet Vera, Veronica and Valerie our friendly pet rats. We would also like to introduce Maxi a retired racing greyhound who has recently joined The Bridge family.



This half term Lullaby, AKA Mumma pig, has had a visitor, Paddington. We are keeping everything crossed for a farrow of piglets in a few months time!



Thank you to all the pupils and staff for making me feel so welcome at The Bridge.

Me too!







### Hello Yellow!

As part of World Mental Health Day on the 10th October pupils and staff, wearing yellow, took part in fun activities including a quiz and making inspirational bunting. At lunch we were treated to tasty yellow food, prepared by our team of chefs, to raise awareness of the importance of mental health.



### Apple juicing

Some pupils worked together to prepare and press collected and donated apples to make fresh juice. We all agreed that it was the best apple juice we had ever tasted.



### Special visitor

We were lucky to be visited by AJ, who captained the Great Britain blind football team in The Paralympics. He currently works for Sight Concern as the Technology Coordinator. He shared with us how he has had to adapt and the challenges he faces in his life - a real inspiration. Pupils had the opportunity to type their name in braille, play with the football, and play Connect 4 - which we might add, he beat us at!



### Bridge Bakehouse ...

A big thank you to Jon and all the pupils for the delicious food prepared, cooked and presented so beautifully. Our team of bakers have treated us to a fantastic range of breads this half term. .



### Is it too early to mention Christmas?

On Friday 8th December we will be having a Santa dash to raise money for Sight Concern. We will attempt some guided and blind runs during the event! Look out for more information coming soon.



### Enrichment

Our first after school enrichment activity, dodgeball and pizza was a huge success. It was great to see so many pupils. Can you spot the ball?

### Welcome to ...



A warm Bridge welcome to Sarah our new SENCO. She has worked in a number of schools in Gloucestershire and Worcestershire over the past 15 years, as a teacher and SENCO. She is excited to be working here!



Joining the Pastoral team and teaching PSHE, after half term, is Josie. She brings a wealth of experience working with young people.

### Important dates for your diary:

Half Term Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

Term last day Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023

Staff Training Monday 8th January 2023

Pupils return Tuesday 9th January 2023







# Malvern Multi-sports Camp

Providing young people aged 4-14 of all abilities with an opportunity to have fun, develop sporting skills and meet with friends.

Monday 30th October & Tuesday 31st October 2023  
Thursday 4th January & Friday 5th January 2024

All children must bring a packed lunch and drinks each day

MSJ Sports & Fitness Centre, Malvern, WR14 3LH.

9.30am - 3.30pm each day

Only £27.50 for 1 day  
£47.50 for 2 days  
& £23.75 for each subsequent day booked!

For more information, and to secure your place, please contact:  
07879 779569 [ben.robertshaw@live.co.uk](mailto:ben.robertshaw@live.co.uk)



# EVESHAM RUGBY

## NEEDS U14 PLAYERS

Are you year 9 and would like to play rugby, then join us for training every Wednesday 6.30pm at

**Evesham Rugby Club**  
Blind Lane off Albert Road, Evesham, WR11 4JX

U14's Admin  
Simon Priestley  
07778 105646

U14's Lead Coach  
Darren Layton  
07749 231967



# MALVERN JUNIOR HOCKEY ACADEMY

**SUNDAY AFTERNOONS 1:30 - 2:30PM**

Our academy provides boys & girls aged 5-16 with an opportunity to get active, develop their hockey skills and enjoy the game

Colts	Age 5-8
Juniors	Age 9-11
Youth	Age 12-16

£22.50 annual registration fee applies. Shin pads & a gum shield are essential, sticks can be borrowed.

**£6.00 per session**

**We strive to:**

- Develop skilful & creative hockey players
- Improve decision-making & game understanding
- Build self-esteem & teamwork skills

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