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Term 5

News from Redfield Edge

Special Interest Articles:

- Ignite Sports P1
- Twitter safety P2
- PIPs P1

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First Twitter, (see page two) and now **Redfield Edge TV**. Helpful hints on how to support your children can be accessed via Twitter. The school now has nearly 90 followers. The Youtube TV account is new and will see further developments over the next term.

Oak Class Yr6

Again, many thanks to everyone who helped at the SATs breakfasts. These meant the pupils sat down to their tests settled and ready. Oak Class have worked really hard preparing for the SATS and we know we could not have asked for any more. Well done to each and every pupil.

Results will be included in the pupils' end of year reports.

Heatree House

Oak Class are now at Heatree House in Manaton in the middle of Dartmoor. This 'rite of passage' event will be remembered by the pupils for the rest of their lives. They will be orienteering, mountain biking, climbing, muddy obstacle coursing, helping out in their kitchen, keeping their rooms tidy (hopefully), walking over the moors and no doubt getting up to a bit of mischief too. The House is run by a Christian organisation that delivers morality based assemblies each evening before supper.

Science Club

Mrs Andrews and Mrs Ashbourne have set up a new science club. So far they have made a volcano, made a lava lamp and some rockets. (See twitter feed for photos)

Drench the Teacher/TA

Oak Class Yr 6 raised money by persuading the staff to have wet sponges thrown at them. (See the twitter feed for pictures.) There were also some impressive entrepreneurial skills on show. The ice pop sellers made a killing. The money will go towards the Oak Class London trip.

Ashford Water Treatment

Maple Class Yr5 visited the treatment plant as part of their reduce, re-use, recycle, project. It was a beautiful sunny day and the pupils had the opportunity to splash about in the water, build dams, look at the treatment plant, test the water's PH and carry out some science experiments.

No more dinner-ladies!(SMSAs)

The school is remodeling the SMSA role, expanding it to include reading and numeracy assistant support where possible. There will also be a lot more play and sport support associated with the role. As part of the re-launch we asked the school council to come up with a new name. **PIPs** is the front runner so far. It stands for '**play intervention people**' and links nicely to the school theme of trees.

Sports Development

New Sports Houses Agreed.

The four new houses are:
Forest of Dean= Dean
Sherwood Forest= Sherwood
Hundred Acre Wood=100 Acre
Savernake Forest= Savernake

Each pupil will be given a sports T-Shirt in their house colour ready for the launch next term.

Ignite Sports

The school has been working closely with SBL to develop a new sports offer for our pupils. Together with two Alliance schools we have helped create a sports package which will greatly increase the level of qualified sports specialist input at the school next academic year.

Tennis

Willow Yr3 and Beech Yr4 have had sports coaches deliver tennis training this term.

Year 5 Interschool Sports

On 1st July five of the six Alliance schools will be competing for the Year 5 championships. Redfield Edge will host this event on the school field. More details to follow.

Bag2School

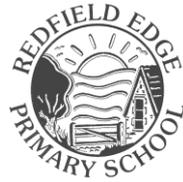
Thank you for all your donations.

New mobile? New number?

It is important to let the school know so we can contact you quickly if your child has an issue.

Also you can **receive TEXT updates. T6 newsletter out in July 2015**

****Pupils return to school on Monday 1st June****



'Achieving now in preparation for the future'

Twitter



Redfield Edge classes have now been tweeting for a few weeks, keeping parents up to date with news from their children's class/es and school.

Twitter Addresses

@HollyClass_RE
@HazelClass_RE
@PineClass_RE
@WillowClass_RE
@BeechClass_RE
@MapleClass_RE
@OakClass_RE
@RedfieldEdge

Twitter Policy

The school Twitter Policy states that school accounts are not to follow other accounts or reply to messages. All formal communication from the school will remain via the office.

Safety First

Twitter is a social media site and has the associated risks of such a site. All pupils have received internet safety training on the use of social media.

The key messages:

1. Always keep you name, address, phone number and passwords private.
2. Remember someone online may not be who they say they are.
3. Meeting up with someone you have only met online can be very dangerous.
4. Accepting emails and opening attachments from people you don't know can get you in trouble- they might contain viruses
5. Tell your parent or carer if something online makes you feel uncomfortable.
6. Don't delete! Save! If you receive upsetting or offensive materials online these can be used as evidence by the police.

For a parental guide to E-Safety you can access CEOPs Think You Know E-Safety materials via the school website. http://www.redfieldedgeprimary.co.uk/parents_links.html