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Term 6

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Festival of Dance

Five of the **Alliance** schools came together to put on an amazing festival of dance at Cabot Secondary School. A big thank you must go to Mrs. Robinson our Deputy who coordinated the whole event. She has also run the dance club all year helping the pupils get ready for their performances which have included the S.Glos dance festival, the Christmas and summer fairs, and lastly our own Alliance festival. The quality of dance was outstanding with some great singing as well.

Star Volunteer

The school would like to give a great big thank you to our star volunteer **Margaret Johns** who has been giving her time every week for ten years to support pupils to learn to read. Margaret you are a Redfield Edge Star!

Lloyds Bank Team

A massive thank you to Emma Hoare and her team from Lloyds Bank for transforming our playground, painting fences, redoing lines, creosoting planters and generally sprucing up the whole area. All for free; which is what we like.

Careers Week

Thank you to all the parents, aunts, uncles and extended family who visited Maple (Yr5) and Oak (Yr6) to talk about their jobs. We had dentistry, engineering, rugby, business, the police, a dancer, a singer and a vet. The visits certainly broadened the pupil's horizons and gave them an insight into many different jobs.

Oak Class (Yr6) What a brilliant class! Every one of Oak Class worked their socks off and achieved good results and made excellent progress this year. There is definitely an entrepreneurial flair in the class too. They raised over £1000 to fund their trip to London. The fiver challenge also saw them running cake stalls, selling drinks, drenching teachers and a whole host of other clever ways to turn five pounds into buckets full of money. They are an all-round talented bunch. Dancing, singing, running the preschool sports and so many other things there is no space to mention them all. We know they will all go on to do wonderful things at secondary school. We are all very proud of them. Well done Oak Class.

Dinners: The price of a school dinner goes up to **£2.00** from September. Remember
all Infants are entitled to a free cooked meal at school.

Early Years

Our youngest children have also done very well achieving our best results ever. Miss Turner is thrilled with the progress the pupils in **Holly Class** have made this year.

Multicultural Week

Thank you all for the donations which helped pay for the food and other resources. Excellent fun learning about the different ethnicities that make up our vibrant Bristol area.

(See the Twitter feed)

Staffing

We would like to welcome **Annie Howells**, our new teacher in Pine Class (Yr 2). It is also time to say goodbye and thank you to **Mrs. Grundy** our long serving dinner-lady, **Mrs. Sheppard** our even longer serving caretaker, **Ms Friday** one of our first reading assistants and **Mrs. Davies** our excellent teaching assistant.

The Big Debate

Beech Class put their debating skills to the test against Courtney Primary and Longwell Green Primary Year 4 classes. Should mobiles be allowed in school? Mr. Monks was impressed with their intelligent arguments.

Sports

Over 70 children from three nurseries and many of our September 2015 reception class took part in our **pre-school sports day** ably managed by Oak Class (Yr6) and Miss Turner. Our own sports day was also excellent and the family picnic especially well attended this year. The new 'House' system worked very well with **Forest of Dean** winning both KS1 and KS2 sports. Our fastest boy was **Archie** in Year 5 and our fastest girl was **Lois** in Year 6.

Netball

Redfield Edge v Hanham Abbots
An excellent game played in the right spirit ended in a four all draw.

The Grange Sports

Willow (Yr3) and Beech (Yr4) did agility skills with the Grange sports leaders, jumping, skipping and throwing.

New mobile? New number?

Please let the school know so we can contact you quickly.

Have a great summer.

*****Pupils return on Wednesday 2nd September*****

INSET Days 2015-2016

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| Tuesday 1 st September | 2015 |
| Monday 19 th October | 2015 |
| Tuesday 20 th October | 2015 |
| Wednesday 21 st October | 2015 |
| Friday 5 th February | 2016 |



@RedfieldEdge now has 109 followers. Followers have seen pictures of class events like the Year 6 Heatree residential activity camp and their trip to London, Year 5 visit to Ashford water treatment plant and the visitors in career week, Year 4 athletics challenge run by our sports coaches and their violin and cello performance to parents, Year 3 singing detectives and their drumming sessions, Year 2 visit to the seaside sand sculptures and their maths problem solving skills, Year 1 visits from snakes and the visit from the chocolatier and reception class road safety week and their beautiful cursive writing skills, and of course our preschool sports and regular Edgeletes preschool drop in.

They have also seen whole school events like multicultural week, our wonderful sports day, the summer fair as well as Alliance interschool events like the dance festival. They have also seen video of events, like Oak Class singing jazz, the helpful hints video on how to support your child reading, and had links to Redfield Edge TV.

If you're not on Twitter **@RedfieldEdge** you're missing out. It's a newsletter updated daily.

Each class has a twitter account too.

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

Remember.....Twitter is a social media and all the usual safeguarding applies.

(Worried about your child online? Look out for the parent workshop on internet safety at 3:30 pm on Thursday 15th October. Crèche provided.)

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| <p>Redfield Edge Primary School School Improvement consultation 2014-2015</p> |
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Firstly, many thanks to the parents and carers who responded to this year's school improvement consultation. We had a 7% return which is slightly up on the previous year.

Ideas for improvement included:

More transition activities with a range of secondary schools for Year 5 and Year 6 pupils.
A regular after-school club. (not sports club or one that runs sporadically throughout the year)
Ramp access from the Bristol to Bath cycle path.
Reduce speed limit on the Bath Road.
Fencing the school playing field.
Give parents the new age related expectations for each year group at the beginning of the academic year.
Breakfast club to start from 7:45 am.
Once a term a special assembly to recognise one pupil in each class who always does the right thing in terms of behaviour, attitude and work ethic. The parents of these pupils invited in to the assembly.
More open classroom days so parents can look at their children's work.
Toilet training for reception. Midday toilet cleaned in EYFS/Yr1.
Reception class to come out five minutes before the other children so they are not overwhelmed by the older children.

The Governors and senior management team will give due consideration to all the suggestions highlighted in the consultation. The school improvement plan will be developed in September and a letter will be sent to parents and carers outlining the areas prioritised for improvement in the academic year 2015-2016.

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