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Term 5

# News from Redfield Edge

## Special Interest Articles:

- Redfield Edge World Record! P1.
- Maths challenge P1.
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## World Record Breakers

**Maple Class** (Yr5) are now officially world record holders. They have been recognized by the Guinness Book of Records for taking part in the successful attempt to have 'the most living figures in a Nativity scene,' while on their Yr5 Christmas carols concert at Bristol Cathedral last December. An excellent effort! Well done.

## Governor Nominations

Nomination forms for new governors were sent out recently to fill the three vacant parent governor positions. I am pleased to say we received three nominations in total. This means there is no need for an election. The three new parent governors will begin their term at the next Full Governing Body (FGB) meeting in June. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome them to the FGB and thank them for coming forward to support the school.

## Edgelets success 😊

Following last term's appeal, Edgelets, our pre-school drop in, saw a big rise in numbers to 18 children with parents. It was also great to see fathers attending as well. Many thanks to 'The Friends' who helped to run the event. **Next Edgelets: Term 1 2013/14**

## Breakfast Club

Now pay day to day. Breakfast Club is proving increasingly popular. Activities begin at **8am**. The cost is **£3 per session and includes breakfast**. Just phone the office for more details.

## Time Capsule Buried

Every pupil produced a piece of work about themselves or Oldland Common to bury in the Time Capsule (see website for pictures). This was a joint initiative with Cotswold Homes who are building on the SBL field. The aim was to build community as well as to get pupils to reflect upon what the world might be like in 200yrs time.

## School Report

Many thanks to the parents who contributed to the recent **focus group** aiming to improve the end of year pupil reports. I hope the new design will give parents a really good picture of their child's progress and achievements and enable them to compare the performance with national benchmarks.

## Maths Challenge

Why is it ok to say, "I'm no good at maths?" It's not socially acceptable to be a poor reader, so how come it can be ok to admit inadequacies at maths? At Redfield Edge we know numeracy skills are equally as important as reading comprehension. You can support your child's numeracy development by...

1. Practising times tables
2. Telling the time together
3. Letting them get used to money in real life situations
4. Using mathematical vocabulary

## A nice day out in T5

EYFS Holly Class: Folly Farm  
Yr2 Pine Class: High Street Shops

## South Glos. Road Safety Team

**Oak Class** (Yr6) and **Pine Class** (Yr2) have had road safety workshops this term. The advice was particularly important for Yr6 who will soon be at Secondary School and much more responsible for their own safety.

## SATs Breakfasts

A massive **thank you** to staff and parents who gave up their own time to run the Oak Class breakfasts. Pupils were full, wide awake and raring to go by the time of the tests.

## Green Team

"Eco-Schools" is an international award that helps schools on their journey to becoming more sustainable. To help lead this programme, each class at Redfield Edge has elected two representatives to be part of the "**Green Team**". Their job is to review how sustainable our school is and think of ways to make it even more environmentally friendly. They have already started thinking about what they would like to do as part of the **Green Team**. Here are some of their ideas...

"I will pick up every bit of litter I see. I shall try and walk to school as much as I can, as well as never picking the plants in the garden."  
Ruby.  
"I will turn the taps off." Daniel.  
"I will remind the teachers to turn off the lights!" Jessica

**New Mobile Number?** – please inform the office so you can receive **TEXTS**

\*\*\*\*\*Pupils return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June \*\*\*\*\*

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