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Term 1

News from

# Redfield Edge

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## Maple take on Parliament

Local MP, Chris Skidmore, visited Maple class as part of their democracy topic. He was very impressed with their in depth knowledge and level of questioning of his role. The class then went to London to visit the Houses of Parliament. Many thanks to the parents who supported this visit. The pupils had a great day and got to see firsthand the House of Commons and see the Mace as well as attending a workshop. (Photos now on the website).

## Traffic Calming

Following pressure from concerned parents, the school and local councillors, the department for Environment & Community Services have agreed to carry out an assessment regarding traffic calming measures outside the school. The initial assessment has taken place and the results will be put to the council who will make a decision based upon a priority matrix some time before Christmas.

## Tea Party well attended

£228.66 was raised for MacMillan Cancer Research at the Redfield Edge tea party. Thanks to all the parents and staff for their support and the wonderful cakes that were donated. I can particularly recommend the lemon drizzle cake for next time.

## Bitton in Bloom

Redfield Edge was awarded Silver in the schools' section for the wonderful work on the school garden and Beech Class's work on the new flower planters as well the wild flower gardens in the playground.

## OFSTED

It might surprise you to know that the information gathered in the OFSTED parent survey is not shared with the school. We therefore aim to repeat the survey early in term 2 so we can pick up any concerns parents might have and adapt our practice accordingly.

## Creepy Crawlies invade Beech.

Year 4 enjoyed a visit from Bristol Zoo, although not all the teachers were as thrilled by the giant spiders, cockroaches and other mini beasts as the pupils.

## Cycling Proficiency

Oak Class have undertaken their higher level cycling proficiency which will help them to gain confidence on the road.

## Photos Framed

We were delighted with the photos taken by Michael Williams of the pupils at work and play in and around the school (husband of Debbie who a lot of you will know through Family Link). We will be inviting parents of pupils who appear in the photos in for a private viewing in term 2.

## Sports News

SBL sports coach Ben Lee has set up lunchtime sports events running over six weeks. Pupils can play football, handball, tag rugby, dodge ball, cricket and tennis.

## A nice day out in T1

Yr6 Create Centre  
Yr2 Edgemont House  
Yr5 Houses of Parliament

## Harvest

This year the school council chose Edgemont House for the elderly as their local charity, Julian House who support the homeless as their national charity and Save the Children as their international charity. As usual the harvest celebration was brilliantly supported by parents and grandparents who donated even more than ever this year. A special thanks must go to Rachel in the kitchen who baked a giant loaf of bread for the event. All the pupils in the infants got a taste. Both the Infant and the Junior events went off really well, with some wonderful performances and singing. Pine class then took some fresh produce to Edgemont House and sang the songs from the Giant Turnip story to the residents. All excellent.

## A time to say Goodbye

Nicola Brierley, who has been with the school for over 14 years, has secured a fulltime job within five minutes of her home in Nailsea. I'm sure everyone will join us in thanking her for her valuable contribution to the school over many years and wishing her well for the future.

T2 newsletter out in December 2012.

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