

February 2014

Term 3

News from Redfield Edge

Special Interest Articles:

- Dance Festival
- Colston Hall performance
- The Friends P2

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Play Shed Opens

The 'Friends' have funded the school **play shed** which will open in Term 4. We aim to develop imaginative play and also help pupils better assess risk while experimenting with a range of materials. A **play leader** has been appointed to help teach pupils how to play with the new resources each lunchtime. There will also be old fashioned playground games and sporting activities supported by older pupils and coordinated by the play leader. We are confident this will transform how pupils play at Redfield Edge.

Dance Festival.

Redfield Edge dancers took part in the Bristol PE Association dance festival held at Abbeywood Secondary School on Tuesday evening 4th February. The show was a culmination of months of practice by the dance club. All the teachers and parents were immensely proud of the dancers. The crowd of well over two hundred people were treated to a top quality performance. A special thanks must go to Mrs Robinson who inspired the Redfield Edge dancers and organised the event. The school was also treated to a performance of their festival dances. Excellent!

S.A.R.I VISIT

The programme of visits from S.A.R.I continued with an assembly visit which focused on anti-bullying. This Bristol based organisation promotes race equality, diversity and inclusion.

Redfield Edge at Colston Hall

The last week of the term saw our choir begin some serious rehearsals to get ready for a gala performance in front of hundreds at Colston Hall in the centre of Bristol. They are having some specialist singing input from the music hub team and are rehearsing at Christchurch Juniors. The event at Colston Hall is a celebration of singing from across South Gloucestershire schools. More details in Term 4.

Class Assembly

Following consultation on how to improve education at Redfield Edge it was agreed that parents would be invited to attend the class assemblies. These have been very well supported so far. Holly Class performed some of their songs and retold the gingerbread man and the three little pigs stories, while Willow Class showed how the Chinese people celebrate new Year.

Dates for the diary:

- **Tuesday 4th March**
Parent's consultation evening. 4 - 6pm
- **Thursday 6th March**
parent's consultation evening 4 - 7pm
- **Wednesday 12th March**
Oak Class Parent's SATs meeting. 3:45

Genesis

Jan Hawkins, a retired teacher who actually taught at Redfield Edge many years ago, and her church assembly team visited us recently to lead an assembly all about the first book of the Old Testament Bible. Puppets, pictures and lots of props brought the story to life. Jan will be visiting again in Term 4.

Brunel

Maple Class (Yr5) visited two iconic Bristol sites this term both designed and built by the great Victorian engineer Isambard Kingdom Brunel: SS Great Britain and the Bristol Suspension Bridge. Maple Class were studying Victorian Bristol and comparing it with Bristol today. I think the traffic moved quicker back then!

Caerleon

Beech (Yr4) pupils dressed up as Romans, saw the amphitheatre and old Roman remains and almost managed to stay warm. At least it didn't rain!

Congratulations

We would like to offer our congratulations to Lou Gilbert our wonderful Reception Teaching Assistant who got married over the Christmas period. She is now Mrs Bendall.

New mobile? New number?

Please let the school know so we can contact you quickly if your child has an issue. Also you can **receive TEXT updates**.

T4 newsletter out in April 2014

*****Pupils return on Monday 24th February *****