

Newsletter



Redfield Edge Primary School

'Striving to be the best version of ourselves'



Our School Values

compassion thankfulness mindfulness curiosity

resilience ambition honesty respect

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As you will all be aware, on Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th December we had our Ofsted inspection.

The inspector was in school for two whole days talking with leaders, with staff and with children. Lessons were observed, books scrutinised and survey from parents, children and staff looked at in order for the inspector to gain a true picture of what life is like at Redfield Edge.

The report following the inspection will be available some time towards the end of January following a rigorous quality assurance process.

I would like to thank all parents who gave feedback in preparation for the inspection and to those of you who spoke with the inspector on the playground. Unfortunately, we do not get to see comments which were written by you but I was informed that feedback from stakeholders was very positive which is great to hear.

Thank you also to the staff who have worked so hard this week and every week to make our wonderful little school what it is!

Rehearsals for Carols by Candlelight

The children from KS2 have been busy rehearsing for Thursday's Carol by Candlelight performance (5.30pm) which we are hoping to host in the school playground. Fairy lights, hot chocolate and Christmas treats will help to create a festive atmosphere and we hope to entertain the audience with some beautiful singing.



We will be putting out some chairs this year for the audience to sit on and strongly encourage you to bring along a camping chair if you have one (in case we run out!). We will be asking the audience to sit to enable everyone to be able to see and to allow the sound of the music and the singing to travel ©



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@Maple2Class_RE @OakClass_RE

Oak Class Christmas Fair

On Friday (9th Dec) the children in Oak Class held their annual Christmas fair.

The children have been organising their fair all term as part of their topic. Market research, product design, working to a budget and attending an interview for the role of stall holder are all part of the process!

All profits made will go towards the payment of their summer trip to London, the West End to watch a show.



Group 1 – Santa's Little Helpers

Group 2 - Snazzy Santa's





Group 3 – The Naughty Elves

Group 4 – Santa Clause Express



Group 5 – Santa's Cheeky Elves

Total raised - £883.95

WELL DONE OAK!

Children from Holly Class – Maple Class had the opportunity throughout the day to visit the fair and take part in the games or buy themselves a little treat.



The Year 6 children did themselves proud. They were well organised, very polite and enthusiastic throughout the whole





Thanks to your generosity, Oak Class made an impressive £883.95 to go towards their end of year trip to London.



Save the dates: ASSEMBLIES

Hazel Class assembly – Thurs 2nd February 23
Oak Class assembly – Wed 8th February 23
Beech Class assembly – Thurs 9th February 23
Pine Class assembly – Wed 15th March 23
Maple Class mini production – Thurs 23rd March 23
Willow Class assembly – Wed 29th March 23
Beech Class mini production – Wed 26th April 23
Hazel Class mini production – Thurs 18 May 23
Willow Class mini production – Thurs 15th June 23
Pine Class – Wed 21st June 23
Holly Class assembly – Thurs 29th June 23
Oak Class production – Wednesday 12th July 23
Class assemblies will take place at 3pm

The Bristol Hippodrome

The children in KS2 visited the Bristol Hippodrome on Tuesday for their annual visit to the pantomime. The children sat alongside many other schools from around Bristol for the matinee performance of Cinderella.















This year the cast included Andy Ford (familiar face at the Hippodrome) and Craig Revel Horwood as a special guest star. The children found the performance very funny and enjoyed their outing to the theatre.





Thank you to the parents who came along to help. We hope you enjoyed it too! ☺



Forest School



(Term 2 - Orienteering)

It was Hazel Classes turn for forest school this week. The children used cryptic photos to identify locations around the school grounds. They then had to search for small images for a game of Christmas Bingo.











When the groups had finished, children then decorated their own snowman made of natural materials.

The children have thoroughly enjoyed their forest school sessions this term – thank you Mrs Stone and Mrs Sheppard for all of your planning, preparation and hard work to make each session fun and purposeful.



Year 6 Bag Packing

A group of Oak Class children gave up some of their Saturday, to help pack shopping bags at Waitrose Supermarket in Keynsham. The aim was to collect public donations in order to raise money for their class trip to Osmington bay in Weymouth.



The children who took part raised a fantastic £785.02 which will be divided between the children involved to help subsidise their residential adventure in May.

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KS2 Christmas Lunch



On Thursday, Willow, Beech, Maple and Oak tucked into a delicious Christmas Lunch cooked by Chef Phil.

We enjoyed succulent turkey (or ...) pigs in blankets, stuffing, roasted potatoes and parsnips and mixed veg. Chef Phil did an incredible job and the children thoroughly enjoyed their dinner.









The staff and the children took the opportunity to thank Chef Phil, Donna (kitchen assistant) and all the PIPs for their hard work throughout the whole year.













Donning their Christmas hats, the children chatted merrily to their friends with Christmas songs chiming in the background. It was a lovely joyful atmosphere and, as always, a really enjoyable experience.



House Points



This term's house point results





Sherwood Forest = 731 Forest of Dean = 731



Well Done ©

(roll-over week)

(in the lead for the term so far - 100 Acre Wood)



Born in a Barn KS1 Nativity

On both Tuesday and Wednesday this week, the children from Holly, Hazel and Pine Class performed their Nativity show to the parents, family and friends.

The children have worked so hard over the past couple of weeks preparing for this and they did a great job!







The songs were sung beautifully and the actors remembered their lines so well – they were clear and confident which was great to see.



I could see a lot of very proud faces when looking around the hall from both staff and parents. What a lovely way to finish off the term!



Thank you to all of the families who joined us for the productions and thankyou again for your kind donations for our charity Save the Children. Save the Children



On Friday afternoon, the children from Holly, Hazel and Pine class enjoyed a performance of the Snowman performed by a travelling theatre company.



The story was told through puppets, music and song.





The performance was a Christmas gift from the Friends of Redfield Edge. It was completely magical and the children loved it! Thank you to the Friends for this lovely experience for our younger children.





Elf Wrapping Room

Children had the chance to visit the **Elf Wrapping Room** this week. Presents had been pre-ordered by parents and children had the opportunity to choose the present and who they wanted to give it to. ©









Thank you from the Royal British Legion

We had a special letter this week thanking our families for their generous donations from buying poppies and remembrance paraphernalia.

Redfield Edge raised a fantastic £352.41

KS1 Christmas Lunch

Holly Class, Hazel Class and Pine Class enjoyed their Christmas dinner last Tuesday. Chef Phil, yet again, produced a fantastic feast of turkey, pigs in blankets, stuffing and veg.



It was very tasty and the children really enjoyed it. They listened to Christmas tunes and said a special thank you to the adults who help to support them over every lunchtime in school.

Story time with Father Christmas

On Monday morning, KS1 had a very special visitor. Father Christmas popped into school to read the children a story.



Despite his very busy schedule, Father Christmas was able to spare some time for the youngest children at Redfield Edge. The children listened beautifully, whilst enjoying a biscuit! ©



Times Table Rock Stars



Let the Battle Commence!

Children will be heading into their annual TTRock Stars Times
Table Battle where classes have been pipped against each other.
It is all down to children in each class to play TTRock Stars as
much as they can between Saturday 17th December at 10am
until Tuesday 3rd January at 5pm.

Oak v Maple Willow v Beech Hazel v Pine

Keep your eyes open to see who is triumphant between classes and OVERALL winners!



Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 3 rd January	INSET DAY	Staff from school attending training as part of the Envision Hub.
Wednesday 4 th January	First day of Term 3	
·	Year 6 Swimming	Swimming lessons start in Oak class please remember to send in your child's swim wear.
Monday 9 th January	Holly Forest School –	On your child's forest school day, please hang their wet
	Group A	weather clothes on the pegs in the outside classroom (there will be name labels). This will enable children to use the outside class as their base without bringing wet and muddy clothes/wellies into school.
Tuesday 10 th – Wednesday 11 th January	Dogs Trust in school	Children in all classes will take part in activities throughout the two days.
Wednesday 11 th January	Year 6 swimming	Swimming lessons continue in Oak class, please remember to send in your child's swim wear.
Thursday 12 th January	Holly Forest School – Group B	On your child's forest school day, please hang their wet weather clothes on the pegs in the outside classroom (there will be name labels). This will enable children to use the outside class as their base without bringing wet and muddy clothes/wellies into school.
	Oak Class cake sale	Year 6 cake sale, please come along and support them.
Friday 13 th January	Maple Class trip	Trip to the Houses of Parliament.
	NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUB	No afterschool club today with Mr S.



