Newsletter

Redfield Edge Primary School

'Striving to be the best version of ourselves'



Photo of the week - Year 5 Greek Production

Our School Values

compassion thankfulness mindfulness curiosity resilience ambition honesty respect

Learning in Oak Class







We have been exploring our planet, and how night and day happens. We used torches, darkness and planetary models to simulate the Earth's rotation and orbit around the Sun.





We noticed that Earth's position on its axis relates to seasonal changes in the amount of direct sunlight that reaches Earth.





Beech Class mini production - Wed 26th April @2.45pm

Hazel Class mini production - Thurs 18 May @2.45pm Willow Class mini production - Thurs 15th June @2.45pm

Pine Class mini production - Wed 21st June @2.45pm

Holly Class assembly - Thurs 29th June @3pm Oak Class production - Friday 14th July @2pm

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@PineClass RE @WillowClass RE2

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Learning in Maple Class

This week in Art, Maple Class have brought their designs into fruition. The children used many pottery skills to construct their Greek Pots.







The children found this tricky as the clay kept on drying out and falling apart. With plenty of perseverance, they all came out







A warm welcome to Mr Manning

I am delighted to inform you that we have successfully appointed a teacher to replace Mrs Griffiths when she starts her maternity leave at the end of this term.

I would like to welcome Mr Dexter Manning! Mr Manning is an experienced KS2 teacher who has previously worked at Redfield Edge for short bursts of cover so will be recognised by many of the children.

As from Monday 17th April, Mrs Luton will be teaching Yr5 on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Mr Manning will be teaching Yr5 on a Thursday and

I am sure you will all join us in welcoming Mr Manning into our Redfield Edge family.



Learning in Holly Class

This week in PE, Holly Class have been moving in different ways, like animals. Ask them which animals we were being and if they can show you!





We have also be practicing our seated balance skills, this will build core strength to then support with effective pen grip and writing. Practice this at home with your child, its super fun! We added an extra challenge, moving the beanbag from one side to the other side.

Learning in Beech Class

Over this term, our Science topic, Sound has given us plenty of opportunity to experiment with pitch.



We have looked at musical instruments to see how they make high and low sounds as well as making our own pan pipes.





It was fun to test our pan pipes to see how the high and low notes were made.

Learning in Hazel Class

Last week, Hazel Class got together with Oak Class to share their stories they had written all about 'The Martians Way Back Home' based on the Oliver Jeffers story we had read in English.









It was lovely to share stories and Oak Class were able to chat about their learning as we have both had topics on Space this term.

Keeping our school Tidy!

Unfortunately, the battle to keep our school grounds free from litter and dog mess continues. Ongoing damage to the school fence is resulting in dog walkers and other individuals accessing our school grounds. On a daily basis, staff are having to check the grounds to ensure it is safe for our children to use.

We continue to work with SBL trying to resolve the situation and we thank our Redfield Edge Family for supporting our cause.



Nature Explorers





Beech Class had a great time during their forest schools session this week. The sensory trail was all set up for them to overcome – blindfolded! They used their communications to help navigate each obstacle by explaining what they were facing and how to get through them.



Maple and Willow's Class Assemblies

We have been treated to TWO class assemblies over the past two weeks.

Last week, Maple performed a mini production about their topic this term – Ancient Greeks. They took us on a journey through Greek legends, myths and fables. Well done Maple!







An amazing performance by Willow Class in their assembly! A whistle-stop tour through the year so far with clear lines, fantastic singing, adapting where needed and wonderful enthusiasm!

An assembly enjoyed by all. Well done to each and every child who all played their part.





Learning in Pine Class

In Science, we explored our school grounds and found a variety of plants.





The children observed and sketched the plants they found and labelled them with scientific vocabulary to identify the different function on the flowers, bushed and trees.







Redfield Edge Primary School Parent Coffee Morning

Thank you to all of the parents who joined us of our parent coffee afternoon. We do hope you found the opportunity useful.



Our Next Coffee afternoon wi

be on Thursday 4th May at 2pm with special guest Alison Little, a behaviour specialist from the Behaviour Support service in South Glos.

Strawberry Plant sale in first week back.

Look out for the table set up near the outdoor classroom to buy your strawberry plants. We are raising money for **Winston's Wish** – a charity which supports bereaved children. The money will support the Garden of Hope intervention in school.



Nature Explorers TERM 5

Monday 17th April - Year 3 (A) Monday 24th April - Year 2 (A) Tuesday 2nd May - Year 1 (A) Tuesday 9th May - EYFS (A) Monday 15th May - Year 6 (A) Tuesday 18th April - Year 3 (B) Tuesday 25th April - Year 2 (B) Thursday 4th May - Year 1 (B) Thursday 11th May - EYFS (B) Tuesday 16th May - Year 6 (B)

Bring a change of clothes into class to change into (jogging bottoms, t-shirt, jumper).

Leave your wet weathers outside on the peg next to your name.



House Points



This term's house point results END OF TERM



100 Acre Wood = **739**

Sherwood Forest = 707

Forest of Dean = 820



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Learning in Willow Class

Willow Class continued to work incredibly hard at the end of term. In English, the children have been showing their understanding of Howard Carter, linking their historical knowledge.





In Maths, the children enjoyed using practical equipment to firstly measure capacity and then weigh this using scales. They had to read scales and intervals carefully to work out the correct amounts.





In Science, the children have focused on light and shadows. They used torches to create hand shadows, investigating how these changed depending on close/far from the torch they were. They also enjoyed a little fun, making some animals shadows too.



Finally, in DT, the children painted their masks. Some of them are fantastic and very unique. The children considered whether their planned design was appropriate and changed things if needed.

Another fab week, well done Willow!



Netball League



Unfortunately, we had to postpone our two netball matches this and last week due to poor weather. The team were hugely disappointed but both of these matches will be rescheduled (3)

Eco Warriors – Project Fence!

Our Eco Warriors are all ready to take on a new project next term – **project fence**. We are continuing to have significant issues with people within our community damaging our school fence and using our school field which is private property. This week alone, we had our school padlock cut off one of our gates to the field and then subsequently padlocked open. We were then unable to lock our gate, causing a number of safeguarding concerns which we had to risk assess and adapt for. Local residents are accessing the field through broken fence panels and there is a new gate which seems to have appeared just opposite near the houses at the bottom end of the school field.

Staff and children are becoming increasingly frustrated that dog walkers and local residents are ignoring the rules and trespassing on school property. This limits our use of the school grounds and the consistent need to pick up litter and dog mess is



Friend's Easter Egg Competition

Thank you to all of the children who took part in the Friends Easter Egg Decorating Competition.

We had some fantastic creative entries.

Below are our winners!

Holly Class winners







Pine Class winners





Willow Class winners





Maple Class winners





Beech Class Winners





Congratulations to everyone who took part!
Well done winners! ©©©

Happy Easter Everyone!

Oak Class winners





Maple Class Easter Assembly

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Maple Class's trip to St Anne's Church had to be postponed. However, Reverent Bruce kindly offered his time and came in to deliver a little taster of what they would have done.

The children explored the symbolism of certain foods and how they link to the Easter Story.

The children learnt some very interesting facts around the first ever chocolate Easter egg and where it was created. It was a lot closer to home than you'd think!





Dates for the Diary

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Monday 17 th April	School reopens	First day of Term 5
	Willow Class Nature	On your child's Nature Explorers day, please hang their wet
	Explorers - 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 18 th April	Beat Bus in Holly Class	Sue Davey from the South Glos Music Hub will be in Holly class
		delivering their Beat Bus Music programme.
	Willow Class Nature	On your child's Nature Explorers day, please hang their wet
	Explorers - Group B	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.
Wednesday 19th April	Swimming Lessons	Swimming lessons for Y6 and Y3 children – mixed ability.
		YOU WOULD HAVE RECEIVED AN EMAIL VIA PARENTMAIL IF
		YOUR CHILD IS HAVING THESE BOOSTER LESSONS.
Monday 24th April	Pine Class Nature	On your child's Nature Explorers day, please hang their wet
	Explorers - 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
	Variable CATA NAVILLA	clothes/wellies into school.
	Year 2 SATs Meeting	Parents of children in Pine class are invited into school at
Tuesday 25 th April	Pine Class Nature	3.30pm for a meeting regarding the KS1 SATs. On your child's Nature Explorers day, please hang their wet
Tuesday 25 April	Explorers - Group B	weather clothes on the pegs in the outside classroom (there will
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		class as their base without bringing wet and muddy
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	Beat Bus in Holly Class	Sue Davey from the South Glos Music Hub will be in Holly class
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Wednesday 26 th April	FGB Governor Meeting	Governors meet to discuss the school improvement plan and
, де три		development points for the year.
	Holly Class local area	Holly Class will be going off school site and exploring the local
	walk	area.
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	Beech Class Assembly	Parents of children in Beech class are invited in to school at
	,	2.50pm to watch the Maple class mini production.
Thursday 27 th April	Hazel Class Cake Sale	Hazel Class are having their cake sale after school in the
		playground. Donations of cakes welcome.
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