

# Newsletter

## Redfield Edge Primary School

*'Striving to be the best version of ourselves'*



Photo of the week – Some of our Holly Class settling in!

### Welcome Back!

A warm welcome back to all of our school families following the summer break and a special welcome to our new families joining the Redfield Edge family for the first time.

I hope everybody had a fun filled break from school with the opportunity to spend time with family and friends.

It has been so lovely speaking with the children since their return and hearing about the holidays and adventures they have been on. It sounds like everyone made the most of the time away from school despite the disappointing weather for the majority of the 6 weeks.

It has been very exciting for staff to see the children return. They have come back to school looking very smart, with huge smiles on their faces and eager to learn in their new classes.

We fully understand that the transition back into school can be tricky for some children. It will take time for children to adjust and familiarise themselves with new teachers, new routines and new classrooms. If you are concerned at any point with how your child is settling back to school, please do not hesitate to speak with us – we are always here to help.

### Our School Values

*compassion thankfulness  
mindfulness curiosity  
resilience ambition honesty  
respect*

### Our New Holly Class

Our new Holly Class have been in school this week, taking part in either morning or afternoon sessions. The children have been busy exploring the classroom and their outside area as well as getting to know each other and forming new friendships.



The Holly Class team have been getting to know the children and carrying out baseline assessments to help them plan the learning moving forward. We have all been really impressed with the children and how they have settled.



### New Caterers in School

In Term 6, we selected a new catering company to provide and deliver our school meals.

AIP were chosen due to their **values as a company**, their **high quality menus** and their **understanding** of life in a primary school.

Chef Phil and Donna (kitchen assistant) remain with us as they are very good at what they do and very popular with the children.

It is **very important** that parents book their children's hot school meals in **advance** to ensure your child receives your chosen meal.



## Term 1 – Learning Enquiries

(Topics)

<b>Holly Class</b>	What is a family?
<b>Hazel Class</b>	What makes me super?
<b>Pine Class</b>	What was life like living in a castle?
<b>Willow Class</b>	What was life like in the Stone Age?
<b>Beech Class</b>	What impact does human activity have on ecosystems?
<b>Maple Class</b>	How can extreme natural disasters affect the world?
<b>Oak Class</b>	Why was WWII a world war?

For more information and to access our knowledge organisers and curriculum maps, please visit our school website.

[www.redfieldedgeprimary.co.uk](http://www.redfieldedgeprimary.co.uk)

## Learning in Hazel Class

Hazel Class have had an amazing start to Year 1! Play based learning has continued and group work has been a huge success so far! All of the children are working very hard learning about the Colour Monsters, writing sentences and using great vocabulary to explain their emotions!



They have also blown Miss Andrews' socks off with their understanding of numbers to 10!

What a super start! 😊

## Learning in Pine Class

Our new Pine Class have settled into Year 2 beautifully. It has been some big changes including new routines, our own table spaces, independently using our workbooks to stick in work and Pine Class have managed it so well.



In Maths we have been revisiting Numbers to 100 we have used numicon, dienes and multilink to represent numbers and even used the laptops to play Basketball Dienes!

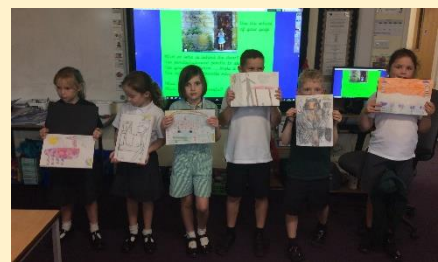
In English we have been learning to write simple noun phrases to describe our dragons which links to our overarching Topic 'Kings, Queens and Castles' this term. A super start Year 2 😊



## Learning in Willow Class

This week we completed our artwork 'What's behind the door?' Then we all talked about our individual pieces and explained what was interesting as well as successful.

Everyone was pleased with their work.



In Jigsaw this week, we worked in groups to design a 'nightmare school.' We will use this work next week to recognise what is needed to ensure school is a safe and happy place to be.

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### Year 6 Life Skills Trip

At the life skills centre, Oak Class looked at a range of different scenarios which will help them as they grow up. From crossing the road, to calling emergency services, the centre had everything covered. The children also took part in a fire drill, despite it not being part of the programme.

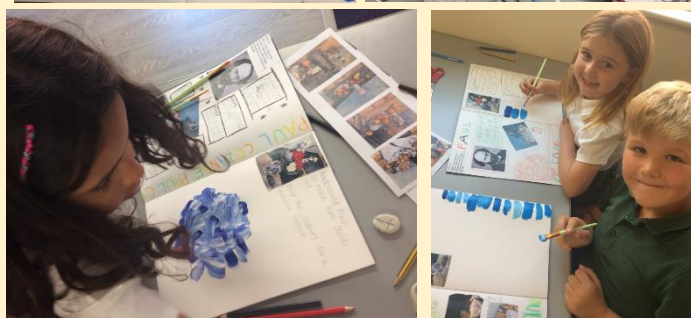


Everyone had a great time and learned lots about basic skills we need for life.

### Learning in Beech Class

Beech Class have very quickly settled into new routines and they have all enjoyed a busy, but productive, first two weeks back in school.

Mrs Luton and Mr Manning have been so impressed by the children's positive attitudes towards their learning. Beech Class' new learning enquiry 'What impact does human activity have on ecosystems?' is well underway and they have enjoyed classifying living things in different ways.



The class particularly enjoyed art afternoon on Wednesday, where they explored the French 'post-impressionist' artist Cezanne. They looked closely at examples of his work and had a go at replicating his use of tonal colours and small brush strokes to build up layers and texture.

A fantastic start to Year 4! 😊

### Learning in Maple Class

The children in Year 5 made the most of our outside learning environment during the hot weather.



As part of their PSHE (Personal, Social Health Education) lesson the children worked together, hunting around the school grounds for specific objects linked to their learning.



Join us for our

AGM

28th September 2023

In the School Hall

Time TBC

Redfield Edge Friends



See you there on Sunday! 😊

### Learning in Oak Class

This week, we have been settling into our new class and getting to know the Year 6 classroom. We kicked off our WWII topic by exploring replicas of authentic newspaper articles. We also debated whether appeasement was a good or bad thing in the lead up to the beginning of the war.



### Welcome to Year...!

On **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September**, class teachers will be hosting their welcome meetings after school.

There will be two meetings for each year group (which are exactly the same) to allow parents to visit up to two classes allowing for siblings across the school. We do not want parents to miss any important information!

**Meeting 1 – 3.35pm**

**Meeting 2 – 4.05pm**

The meetings are designed to share information such as... introducing the team of adults working with your child, the routines of the day/week, expectations of behaviour and what will be delivered in terms of the curriculum.

As parents, you will have the opportunity to ask questions

**(This does apply to EYFS parents who will need to return to school for 3.35 or 4.05 to attend their class meeting)**

Thank you 😊

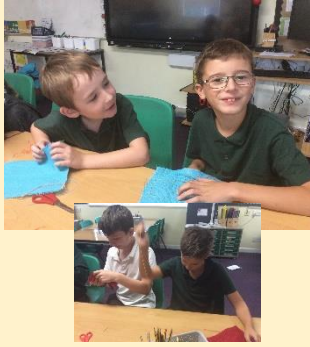
### Extra-curricular Provision

Our after-school clubs have started this week and we are pleased to be able to offer a range of opportunities for our children.

Clubs such as netball, football (girls and boys), art and craft, cross-stitch and elite art, mindfulness and choir are all underway and very well attended. We are always looking to add more opportunities so please keep an eye out for information in the future.

### Cross Stitch Club





### Elite Art Club



After school clubs are a great way for children to learn new skills and develop in areas, they are passionate. Term 3 and 4 club rotas will be out before Christmas for you to sign up! ☺

## Save the Date – Parents Evening

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November –  
SEND parents evening**



**Tues 14<sup>th</sup> / Wed 15<sup>th</sup> November – Parents evening**

### Class Assemblies

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 Class Assembly
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5 Class Assembly
11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 2 Mini Production
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Class Assembly
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Class Assembly
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 3 Class Assembly
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 5 Mini Production
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Year 1 Mini Production
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Class Assembly
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Production
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	EYFS Class Assembly
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Y6 Leavers Assembly

### Nature Explorers

Nature Explorers have started again with Mrs Stone leading the opportunity for all children across the school over the year and will be assisted by Mrs Sheppard and Mrs Bailey on the two different days.

In Term 1, the children focus on orienteering skills, using maps, using grid references, working together in teams and completing a range of challenges.



This week it was the turn of Year 5. The children thoroughly enjoyed their session and Mrs Stone was impressed with how they approached the tasks and engaged in the different activities.

## Save the Date – Parent coffee mornings / afternoons



**5<sup>th</sup> October 9-10am – Sara Tanner (Inclusion Support) focus on managing anxiety and worries.**  
**15<sup>th</sup> November 9.15 – 10.15am – Coffee Morning with South Glos Parents and Carers**

## House points

**Forest of Dean = 133**

**Savernake = 116**

**100 Acre Wood = 135**

**Sherwood = 122**

**WELL DONE 100 AW ☺**

## Dates for the Diary

<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Year 5 Camp Meeting	Parents are invited into Maple Class for a meeting to discuss the upcoming Y5 camp to Kilve Court after school today.
	My Journey - Oak Class	Road Safety Team talking to Oak class about getting to school safely.
	Pedestrian Training – Maple Class	Road Safety Team talking to Maple class about being a pedestrian.
	Willow Class Nature Explorers – Group A	On your child's Nature Explorers Day, please hang their <b>outdoor clothes</b> on the pegs in the outside classroom (there will be name labels). With the sunny weather now here, please ensure your child is wearing <b>sun cream</b> , has a <b>sun hat</b> and a <b>water bottle</b> in school.
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Oak Class Bikeability – Group A	The Bikeability team will be in school today for Group A. Please ensure your child has their bike in school
	Willow Class Nature Explorers – Group B	On your child's Nature Explorers Day, please hang their <b>outdoor clothes</b> on the pegs in the outside classroom (there will be name labels). With the sunny weather now here, please ensure your child is wearing <b>sun cream</b> , has a <b>sun hat</b> and a <b>water bottle</b> in school.
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Oak Class Bikeability – Group A	The Bikeability team will be in school today for Group A. Please ensure your child has their bike in school
	Class welcome meetings	Meeting 1 – 3.35pm Meeting 2 – 4.05pm All classes
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September</b>	Beech Class Ukulele lessons	Beech class will be starting their Ukulele lessons today with Robin Davis from the South Glos Music hub.
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	Pine Class trip to Synagogue	Pine class have a trip to a Synagogue today. Please ensure your child has a packed lunch and water bottle.
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Beech Class Nature Explorers- Group A	On your child's Nature Explorers Day, please hang their <b>outdoor clothes</b> on the pegs in the outside classroom (there will be name labels). With the sunny weather now here, please ensure your child is wearing <b>sun cream</b> , has a <b>sun hat</b> and a <b>water bottle</b> in school.
<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Oak Class Bikeability – Group B	The Bikeability team will be in school today for Group B. Please ensure your child has their bike in school
	Beech Class Nature Explorers- Group B	On your child's Nature Explorers Day, please hang their <b>outdoor clothes</b> on the pegs in the outside classroom (there will be name labels). With the sunny weather now here, please ensure your child is wearing <b>sun cream</b> , has a <b>sun hat</b> and a <b>water bottle</b> in school.
<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Oak Class Bikeability – Group B	The Bikeability team will be in school today for Group B. Please ensure your child has their bike in school