

Newsletter

Redfield Edge Primary School

'Striving to be the best version of ourselves.'



Year 2 perform their mini-production and dazzle their audience!

Pine Class Assembly

Eddie the Penguin saves the World

Pine Class performed their Class Production "Eddie the Penguin saves the World" to the whole school on Thursday.

It linked to their class topic, Around the World, and told an important message about global warming and the impact humans are having on Planet Earth.



The children performed 8 songs, learnt their lines and actions to create a 25-minute production which was a treat to watch - we hope you all enjoyed!

Miss Kelly is so proud of her class, well done Pine Class! ☺



Our School Values

*compassion thankfulness respect
mindfulness curiosity
resilience ambition honesty*

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion @ Redfield Edge

At Redfield Edge, we often refer to ourselves as a 'family'. The sense of belonging that comes with being part of a family is so important for all children. Feeling part of a community, feeling heard and feeling represented is, we believe, the key to success. Over the past year and moving forward, we are working hard to ensure all children and their families feel they belong, no matter their situation, their family structure, their race, their gender or their abilities.



(New books for the school library ensuring representation across the protected characteristics)

Lots of work has been going on behind the scenes and we want to share some of that with you over the next couple of terms.



Staff have reviewed key texts linked to English and Learning Enquiry lessons to ensure children have access to a broad and balanced range of materials. This includes a diverse range of authors and themes representing the neuro-diverse, and LGBTQ+ communities along with gender, heritage and culture.

Please see the Reading section on our school website for a closer look.
www.redfieldedgeprimary.co.uk



GOOD LUCK!

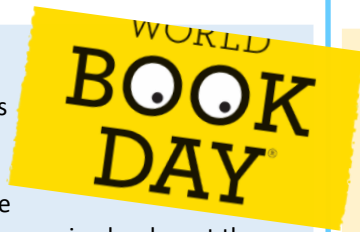


To our school netball team who will be taking on Beacon Rise on Monday in their first league match of the school year.

World Book Day 2024

This year, children are invited to dress as their favourite book characters. We wish to avoid football kits, superheroes and princesses if possible but explore other characters from the amazing books out there. Staff will be dressing up too and the day will be filled with lots of stories and FUN! Watch this space for more information!

Thursday 7th March 2024



Safe Parking

We have had some lovely new signs delivered to school to help remind the general public and parents to think carefully about where they park to ensure all of the children's safety.



Look out for them! 😊

Online Pupil Survey

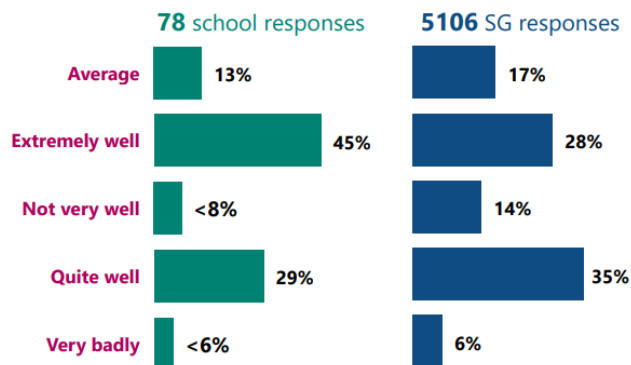
As you may already be aware, children from Year 4, 5 and 6 take part in an online wellbeing survey, which is run every year by South Glos council. The information gained in the survey helps the services within the Local Authority identify need and offer support. The information is also a great way for us as a school, to track how our pupils feel about a range of subjects.

Over the next couple of weeks, I will be sharing some of the results with you. The data displayed compares our school data to other schools across the local authority.

How do you feel about being at school?

I feel like I belong in this school	My achievements are recognised at this school	I feel stressed by school work	I worry about going to school
% Agreed or Strongly agreed from:	% Agreed or Strongly agreed from:	% Agreed or Strongly agreed from:	% Agreed or Strongly agreed from:
85 school responses	85 school responses	84 school responses	85 school responses
84%	66%	24%	16%
5613 SG responses	5573 SG responses	5607 SG responses	5559 SG responses
66%	57%	37%	24%

How well do you think your school stops and prevents bullying?



We are proud of the results throughout the entire survey and although we recognise there is always still work to do to improve, it is good to see where we currently lie in comparison to other schools.

Class Assemblies

Thursday 14 th March	Year 4 Class Assembly
Thursday 28 th March	Year 1 Class Assembly
Thursday 25 th April	Year 3 Class Assembly
Thursday 2 nd May	Year 5 Mini Production
Thursday 23 rd May	Year 1 Mini Production
Thursday 27 th June	Year 2 Class Assembly
Tuesday 16 th July	Y6 Production
Thursday 18 th July	EYFS Class Assembly
Monday 22 nd July	Y6 Leavers Assembly

Learning in Willow Class

This week, the children in Year 3 have conducted another Science experiment using magnets. First, the children tested whether they could use magnets to make a paper clip 'hover,' then they used different styles of magnet to work out if a bigger magnet was stronger than a smaller magnet.



Willow Class tested the strength of 3 magnets and drew scientific conclusions. They had fun 'hovering' up all the paperclips using magnets at tidy away time! 😊



MOSAIC Partnership Trust Update

Since our consultation in the autumn term and confirmation that Redfield Edge would be joining the Mosaic Partnership Trust, a lot of work has been going on behind the scenes in preparation.

The board of trustees have begun appointing key roles and working closely with the legal team on the mammoth task of sorting the land and premises for all 12 schools.

Our staff have been invited to a meeting with the CEO Andrew Best, and the trade union reps to begin the TUPE process. This enables employee contracts to be moved from South Glos to Mosaic in time for conversion.

School improvement work continues to go from strength to strength with networks in place covering a range of key learning areas including SEND, EYFS and assessment. These valuable networks give staff and leaders opportunities to work together to align and improve practise and support and challenge each other. Feedback from staff so far is very positive.

As it stands, the proposed date of conversion for our school is the 1st of June 2024.

More updates to follow.

Hazel Class

Grandparents Tea Party

On Wednesday, Year 1 held a Toy Tea Party and invited Grandparents and Parents into school with toys they used to play with, photos to show and stories to tell us about their childhood.

Over the morning the children explored the old artefacts and toys. They asked questions about how they were played with and what material they had been made from.

Some were quite similar to toys we play with now and others had changed lots. It was a very fun morning!



This term's House Points results...



137



132



136



144

WELL, DONE EVERYONE! 😊😊😊



Swimming Gala



A huge well done to the children who took part in the gala last Saturday evening. It was a great event to be a part of and we all really enjoyed it.

The children were so excited to take part, and all did a fantastic job in their individual and team races.

During celebration assembly this week, we all celebrated their achievements. WELL DONE all of you for representing our school so well! 😊



A HUGE thank you to Mrs Luton for giving up her Saturday evening to help and support the children.



Save the date!

Wednesday 7th February

Friendship DISCO

KS1 – 6.00pm-7.00pm
KS2 – 7.15pm – 8.15pm



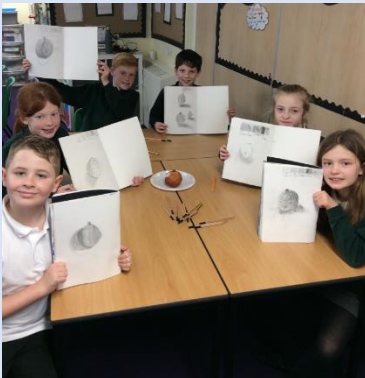
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Thursday 1st February

Year 6 CAKE SALE

Learning in Maple Class

This week, Maple Class have been practising their sketching and shading skills, drawing a pomegranate, linking to our class text – 'Boy at the Back of the Class'.



They had great fun, practising different shading techniques to shade the light and dark parts of the fruit!

Learning in Oak Class

This week, Year 6 conducted a science experiment to understand how light is refracted once it passes through water.



In history, we looked at the types of crimes that were committed during the Tudor period and compared them to the modern day.

We ended the lesson with various trials to determine guilt and punishment!



We have successfully now acquired a new After School Club provider called Signature Sports. Working in other local schools and with the SEND Cluster, Signature Sports come very highly recommended.

To have a look at what they offer and to see what they will be doing for us, follow the link below for more information.

[Signature Sports \(signaturesportscoaching.co.uk\)](http://signaturesportscoaching.co.uk)

There will also be a holiday club available for the whole of Easter (excluding bank holidays) for those families interested in childcare over this period.

Writers of the week

Writers of the week certificates are given out at every Celebration Assembly.

Teachers select children who have demonstrated great effort and perseverance in class and have used specific skills learnt in lessons in an independent piece.

The children receive a certificate, and their work is read out to the whole school. Copies of the writing is displayed outside my office and a trophy is now given to two children (1 from KS1 and 1 from KS2) to display on their desk for the entire week!



Well done to our writers of the week for this week! 😊

Dates for the Diary

Monday 29th January	Willow Class Nature Explorers – Group A	On your child's Nature Explorers Day, please hang their outdoor clothes on the pegs in the outside classroom (there will be name labels).
	Netball Match	School Netball team match away to Beacon Rise
Tuesday 30th January	Willow Class Nature Explorers – Group B	On your child's Nature Explorers Day, please hang their outdoor clothes on the pegs in the outside classroom (there will be name labels).
Thursday 1st February	OAK class swimming lessons	Oak class swimming continues today, please ensure your child has their swimming kit in school.
	Oak Class cake sale	Oak class cake sale after school. Please come along and support as all money raised goes to their class.
Monday 5th February	Pine Class Nature Explorers – Group A	On your child's Nature Explorers Day, please hang their outdoor clothes on the pegs in the outside classroom (there will be name labels).
Tuesday 6th February	Pine Class Nature Explorers – Group A	On your child's Nature Explorers Day, please hang their outdoor clothes on the pegs in the outside classroom (there will be name labels).
Wednesday 7th February	Beech class trip to Caerleon	Beech Class are off to Caerleon, please ensure your child has a warm coat, hat, gloves, packed lunch and drink.
	School Disco	Payment on parent mail for tickets and tokens.
Thursday 8th February	OAK class swimming lessons	Oak class swimming continues today, please ensure your child has their swimming kit in school.
Friday 9th February	Boys Football Team Match	Boys Football team - match away to Beacon Rise
	Last day of Term 3	Last day of Term 3. School reopens for Term 4 on Monday 19 th February.

We received this letter this week – Well done to our current Pine Class – great job! 😊



Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP
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08 January 2024

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Hinds'.

I am writing to congratulate you on your school's outstanding achievement in the 2023 Phonics Screening Check.

We want to ensure every child develops a firm grasp of phonics as the basis on which to improve standards of reading. As such I was delighted to see your results.

With 100 per cent of pupils in Year 1 at Redfield Edge Primary School meeting the expected standard in the check, your school is in the top 1 per cent of all primary schools in the country.

The latest figures show that 83 per cent of pupils who met the expected standard in the check went on to achieve at least the expected standard in reading at key stage 2 in 2023, which underlines the importance of developing the ability to decode words effectively at an early age.

Your particular success in teaching phonics and early reading so effectively means your pupils are developing a firm foundation, from which they can become increasingly fluent and develop a lifelong love of reading.

I would like to thank you for your commitment and success in this vital area of a child's early education and congratulate you, your staff and pupils again on all you have achieved.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Damian Hinds'.

Damian Hinds
Minister for Schools