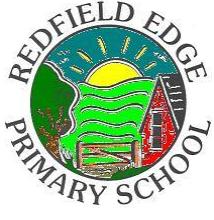




Newsletter

Week beginning 26th February / 5th March 2018
'Achieving now in preparation for the future'



What has been happening?

SNOW SNOW SNOW!

Thursday (of last week) was a very *interesting* day! We would like to **thank** all of our parents for being so patient and understanding throughout Thursday morning. Closing the school is always a difficult decision to make due to the learning lost and the disruption to families however the safety of the children and of the staff has to come first. We believe it was the correct decision and hope that all of our families were first of all safe over the long weekend but also had lots of fun in the snow with their loved ones.



Fun in the snow!

After an early lunch on Thursday, those who wanted to had some time to play in the snow. Snowballs were flying in all directions and the adults and the children had a great time.

Lunch altogether.



With only 46 children in school for lunch, both adults and pupils were able to eat altogether in the lunch hall. It was a real treat!

Holly Class Maths Workshop for parents

On Wednesday morning, the parents of children in Holly Class were invited into school for a maths workshop run by Miss Turner.



The workshop was very well attended and the parents found the input valuable. Each family was given a pack of resources to use with their children at home as well as a clear explanation of the expectations for pupils in EYFS.

Thank you Miss Turner for organising and leading the morning.

Thank you to all of the parents who were able to come along.

World Book Day

Due to the snow and school closure, World Book Day did not go ahead as planned last Thursday. We will ensure however that every pupil receives their free £1.00 book token that can be spent in a number of shops. Please look out for it in their book bags.

THIS WEEK

Beech Class Swimming

The children in Beech Class have been very busy! On Thursday the children had their first swimming lesson of the year. This was the first of a 9 week block. The children will have the opportunity to develop their skills and earn distance badges over the next two terms as well as have lots of fun!



Beech Class Assembly

We were all treated to a fantastic class assembly on Tuesday morning all about the Romans and the Celts. The children shared many interesting facts about the Roman invasion and the Roman way of life.



The children spoke about their class trip to Cearleon in Newport where they explore Roman ruins and took part in fun, interesting workshops.

Beech Class assembly was **fantastic**. It was interesting, informative, interactive and great fun to watch. Well done Mrs Gabler and well done to all of the children. A job very well done!

The B-Word

On Tuesday, Redfield Edge welcomed its second theatre company of the year to perform to pupils in Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. This performance however was very different from Dick Whittington. The B-word is an anti-bullying production that teaches children about what the word **bullying** actually means, what it might look like in school and what to do about it, all in a fun interactive way.





Fire Horse Productions are a theatre company based in Wales and they were recommended to us by other schools. The staff were pleased with performance and the response from the children after. It tackled the issues well, pitching it just right for children ranging from 7-11 years old. It touched on cyber bullying for the older children and made it very clear to **all** that bullying is not acceptable. Follow-up work will be carried out in school through future assemblies and within classes.

We wish to thank the **Friends of Redfield Edge** for their donation, which enabled us to organise this special treat for the children.

'It has helped us to understand how to treat each other with respect. I really enjoyed it!'

Rorey Y5

'It was fun!' **Stuart Y5**

'It was humorous and energetic but had an important message.'

Ellis Y6

'I liked it when the audience had a chance to take part.'

Harry Y3

Holly Class' Performance

On Thursday morning, Holly Class welcomed their parents and friends to school for their very first class assembly.



The children told the story of the Gingerbread Man. The children with words spoke clearly and with confidence whilst the singers sang beautifully.



We had a very good number of supporters come to watch and we would like to thank the parents for their ongoing support.

Year 6 Sponsored Silence

As part of their ongoing fundraising project the children in Oak class made a promise to remain silent for a whole day. They were given whiteboards and pens to communicate with throughout the day and they were using plenty of gesture to get their point across. Each child collected sponsorship for their silence and we are looking forward to seeing how much they raised. In past years, it has always been hugely successful.



Word of the Week

Hazel	resolution	planet
Pine	devouring	sincerely
Willow	nutrition	quantity
Beech	conquer	pitch
Maple	mythology	solidarity
Oak	scoffed	cacophony

For your Information

£10.00 notes

The office will no longer be unable to accept old £10.00 notes as payment.

Please ensure any cash handed into the office is in a named envelope with your child's name and class and the reason for payment. Thank you

Easter Event

Please look out for the leaflet in books bags this week informing you of our Easter event on Tuesday 20th March. The children have been busy creating their artwork that can be viewed and then purchased at our special after school gallery.

Bags2school

Our next Bags2school collection is taking place on Friday 4th May so please bear this in mind when spring-cleaning or sorting out your belongings. The more bags of donations we receive, the more money that will mean for the school.

Thank you in advance.

Quiz Night - We need you!

We are looking for a volunteer/s to run a quiz night for families and friends of the school. The quiz has been written, all we need is a quizmaster and somebody to organise the advertising and teams and run the event. If you are interested in helping out, please register your interest at the office. It will be a real shame if it cannot go ahead this year.

Parent Consultation Evening

It was a very busy week this week with two parent's evenings. It was fantastic to have **98%** of families sign up for a meeting with their child's class teacher to discuss their progress and attainment. We would like to ensure that **all** parents have this opportunity so will be contacting families who were unable to make it to make a separate appointment before the end of this term.

Congratulations!

Sorry there are no pictures this week as all the school ipads are being serviced.

Dates for your diary!

DATE	EVENT
12 th - 15 th March	Y6 SATS
Tues 13 th March	Ukulele concert Y4 - Parents welcome
Tues 13 th March	Y2 parents SAT meeting @ 3.45 pm
Wed 14 th March	STOMP Y5
Thurs 15 th March	Willow Class Assembly @ 10.20 am
Thurs 15 th March	Beech Class swimming
Thurs 15 th March	Y6 parents SAT meeting @ 3.45 pm
Tues 20 th March	Friends Art Exhibition @ 3.30 pm
Weds 21 st March	Pine Class cake sale @ 3.30 pm
Thurs 22 nd March	Hazel Class Assembly @ 10.20 am
Thurs 22 nd March	Beech Class swimming
Fri 23 rd March	Sport Relief
Fri 23 rd March	Last day of Term 4

Mrs Robinson