Headteacher: Mrs L Robinson Issue: 1

Newsletter

Redfield Edge Primary School

'Striving to be the best version of ourselves'

Photo of the week – look at that teamwork!

What has been happening?

Welcome Back!

It has been fantastic to see all of the children back in school this week with big smiles on their faces, fondly talking about their summer break. I have already heard about lots of family holidays and day trips and look forward to hearing more about what the children have been up to over the coming weeks.

Inset Days

Whilst the children spent an extra couple of days enjoying what was left of the holidays, the staff were taking part in continued professional development opportunities.

Training completed this week:

- Safeguarding – led by the Local Authority
- GDPR – updates
- Curriculum – improving our school offer
- Subject leadership – action planning

We are currently very busy making changes to our curriculum to ensure it is not only stimulating and engaging but also enriched with a wider range of experiences and hands on learning.

Details regarding our curriculum offer will be shared with parents over the term.

Please look at our school website for Term 1 curriculum maps to see what your child will be learning over the next 7 weeks.

www.redfieldedgeprimary.co.uk

Staffing

I would like to officially welcome **Miss Jenny Roberts** to the team. Miss Roberts is our new Y3 teacher and SENDCO (Special Educational Needs and Disability Co-ordinator). Some of you will already recognise her as she spent some time in school during Term 6, meeting her current class and a few of our parents in preparation for joining us. I am pleased to say that Miss Roberts has thoroughly enjoyed her first week and already feels like one of the Redfield Edge family!

Our new chef **Phil** has also started with us this week. Phil has some big shoes to fill as Rachel's dinners are legendary! So far so good though – the children are really enjoying their food!

Baby watch! Mrs Wyatt has had a relaxing summer break and is getting very excited for the upcoming birth of her baby. We are in constant contact with her and will let you know once we have heard any news.

Follow us on Twitter

@HollyClass_RE @HazelClass_RE

@PineClass_RE @WillowClass_RE @BeechClass_RE

@MapleClass_RE @OakClass_RE

Reminders

Start of the day – doors open at 8.45am

We would like children to be prompt to their classes at 8.45am as the teachers prepare an early morning activity for them to take part in.
TA's will be on the doors in the morning so that any messages for class teachers can be passed on immediately.

Register – 9.00am

Pupils arriving after 9.00am will be recorded as late and will need to enter the school via the school office.

Absence

We expect every child to be in school every day. Research shows that good attendance not only helps pupil outcomes and achievements but also has a significant positive impact on their social skills/development and friendships. If you child is unable to attend school due to illness, please contact the school office at the earliest convenience to inform staff.

End of the day – school finishes at 3.30pm

Children are to be collected from the school playground.

PE Kits

Children should have their PE kits in school every day to ensure they are able to take part in all PE lessons and any possible extra opportunities which may occur.

Lost Property

Please ensure all of your child's belongings are clearly named. We accumulate so much lost property over the year – it is a shame when items are lost.

Payments – made promptly via 'School Money' for hot dinners, trips, school uniform and clubs.

Toast money needs to be paid weekly in cash – this is to be handed in on a Monday in a named envelope.

Appointments

If you wish to meet with me, our Family Link worker, SENDCO or Class teacher, please contact the school office to make an appointment. Alternatively, you could leave a message with a TA on the door in the morning.

Medication – Prescription ONLY

If your child requires an inhaler or medication of any kind throughout the day, please take it to the school office and complete the required forms/permissions. We have staff in school trained to administer medication.
UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES ARE CHILDREN TO CARRY MEDICATION IN THEIR BAGS.

Thought of the week

'The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather a lack of will.'

Vince Lombardi

School Uniform

The children have returned to school looking very smart in their new school uniforms. We would just like to remind parents to label all items of their child's uniform. ***Clearly named*** items will always make their way back to their owner!
We have noticed a small number of children wearing casual, trainer style shoes. Can I please remind parents that **trainers** and **boots** are not school uniform and therefore not permitted. If you would like to check our school policy for details, you can find it on our school website. Our prospectus also has photos of exactly what the children are expected to wear in winter and summer.
We would suggest that the children have a light weight raincoat as an addition to their PE kits to ensure they can be active in all weathers.

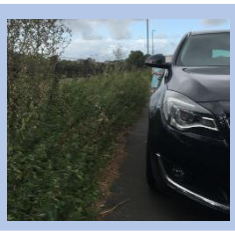
Word of the Week (for next week!)	
Hazel Class	rescue
Pine Class	trebuchet
Willow Class	Neolithic
Beech Class	classify
Maple Class	seismic
Oak Class	vacant

Our School Values

We began the week with a welcome back assembly where we discussed our new school values. In a selection of assemblies this term we will be focussing on each one in detail to help the children fully understand the meaning and what it would look like in action.

Curiosity Ambition Mindfulness Honesty Respect Compassion Resilience Thankfulness

Can I please remind all parents to park on the main road with care and thought for others. Sadly, today a number of families were unable to pass due to poor parking. Families with small children, buggies and wheelchairs require the whole path in order to walk to school safely. ***Thank you***



For your Information

Information for families:

Reach is a free and fun programme, for those aged 4-16 who are above a healthy weight, to attend with their parents or carers. Reach focuses on promoting the health and wellbeing of children and young people by increasing physical activity, boosting mental health and wellbeing and improving nutritional intake, as well as supporting children and young people to reduce their Body Mass Index (BMI).

New Reach courses for children aged 4-11 years are starting on Tuesday 24th September 2019 at Kingswood Leisure Centre! To book a place or to find out more call 01454 86 4005 or email PublicHealthCYP@southglos.gov.uk

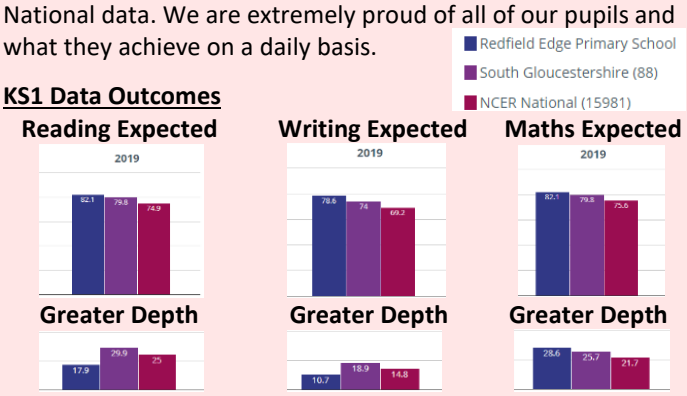
Autism South West Parents and Carers conference

This is the first conference specifically for parents/ carers of autistic children and young people and parents/carers who have an interest in autism.
When: **7th November 2019**
Where: **BAWA**
To book onto the conference, just follow the link below.
http://cpd.sgsts.org.uk/courses/bookings/c_detail.asp?cid=3232

Congratulations!

Pupil Outcomes

I would like to share with you our headline data from the last academic year for different groups of children throughout the school in comparison to South Gloucestershire schools and National data. We are extremely proud of all of our pupils and what they achieve on a daily basis.



Well done! **Top Table** Well done!

Top table will be back next week by popular demand!

Dates for your Diary

Wed 11th Sept	**'Welcome to' meetings for Y1, Y2, Y5 & Y6**
Thurs 12th Sept	**'Welcome to' meetings for Y3, Y4**
	Year 6 Life Skills Visit
	Bristol Zoo visit Year 4
Wed 18th Sept	**Maple Class Cake Sale @3.30pm**
	Oak Class Forest School – Group A
Fri 20th Sept	**Oak Class Forest School – Group B**
	Governor Day 1/ Curriculum
Mon 23rd Sept	**The Secret Garden Theatre Performance for KS2**
	Pine Class Forest School – Group A

Mrs Robinson