

REDLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 12.1.24

School Council

Our first school council meeting of the new year was an amazing event! It was great to see all the school councillors again and to have some time to discuss our ideas for 2024 with Mrs Adams.

We had a drink and a biscuit before meeting our new school council 'pet,' Chip! We have been asking for a (real) school dog, but that isn't something we can have right now. However, Mrs Adams got us the next best thing — a fluffy, cuddly Labrador, all the way from Ikea! We have suggested a new buddy bench for the school playground, mirrors in the boys' toilets and we have a plan for an Easter egg collection for the Doorway charity in Chippenham. We have another meeting in two weeks' time. **By Eddie M**



Snack and School Uniform.

A reminder that we ask for children to bring healthier snacks for their morning break such as cereal bars, fruit or vegetables, not items such as crisps, sweets or chocolate bars. Water bottles which the children access throughout the day should only contain water.

As part of our school uniform policy, nail varnish is not allowed in school. Earrings are permitted but must only be studs. All other jewellery items are not permitted in school, except for wrist watches.

We really appreciate your support with this.

A message from the Headteacher

Welcome back and Happy New Year! It has been lovely to see all of the children back at school, and engaged in their new learning topics. We have had a busy and productive week!

Kingfishers and Falcons had their first dance session with Mr Mitchell today, which they really enjoyed. The children will continue developing their dance skills in these sessions throughout Term 3.

Children in Buzzards Class enjoyed a multi-skills sports session at Hardenhuish this morning. More information about this will follow in next week's newsletter!

Have a good weekend.

Best Wishes

Mrs Joy

School Place Applications for 2024

Applications: You can apply for primary school places online at http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-admissions-applying

The deadline for primary school applications is 15th January 2024.

School Visit - 'I Can And I Am' Bus!

On Friday 19th January, the school will have a visit from the 'I Can And I Am' Bus. This organisation visits schools around the south west, working with pupils from Year 6 upwards, to provide valuable tools and strategies focused on promoting self-esteem and maintaining good mental health. Our Year 6 children will be joining some sessions across the day, before the bus travels onto Hardenhuish School next week.



School Times

- 8.20am Playground gates open
- 8.30am Bell rings and children enter school
- 8.35am Playground gates close
- 8.40am Registration
- 3.00pm End of school day

FORS NEWS

Happy New Year from the FORS. What a great end to 2023! We are excited to get started with 2024! Here are some dates for your diary-

School Uniform Sale

On Tuesday 6th February we are having the first sale of 2024! All items are 50p, we can take cash and card payments. Please join us in the hall from 2.40pm (gates will be open early to accommodate this).

Fizzy Disco

On Thursday 8th February we will be having fizzy discos! We can't wait to party! Letters with permission slips will come home around the 5th - we will be using the same system as before, and offering hot dogs, snacks and glow toys.

Rags 2 Riches

On Thursday 22nd February we will be having a Rags 2 Riches collection. Rags to Riches are currently sending clothing collections to the Ukraine. It is great that you can donate your unwanted clothing (no school logos please) and raise money for your children's school whilst helping those who are in great need. We will be sending collection bags home before half term so if you have a sort out, please bring your bags along on the 22nd before 9am and place them outside the office entrance.

The new FORS shed is arriving at the end of the month. If you have any unwanted plastic storage boxes, or would like to gift us a storage box, please email us. We are also looking for bookcases or racking to use inside the shed. It will make such a difference to the FORS having the new shed and we are so thankful for all the support and donations so far.

We are always welcoming new members to the team. If you would like to come along to our meetings and/or would like to be added to our volunteer list to help at events please email us. forsevents@outlook.com

Future Dates

January

Mon $15^{t\bar{h}}$ – Deadline for Primary School Applications

Thurs 18th – Year 5 Taster Day at Hardenhuish

Fri 19th – 'I Can And I Am' Bus visit for Year 6.

Mon 22nd – HCRG Health Checks for children in Reception

Mon 29th – **TD Day – school closed to pupils.**

February

Thurs 1st – Girls' Football Match at Kingsbury Green Academy, Calne. Tues 6th – School Uniform Sale in hall at 2.40pm

Tues 6th – Dance Festival at Neeld Hall Weds 7th – Year 5 Visit to Sheldon (group 1) – more information to follow Thurs 8th – Fizzy Discos

Fri 9th – Last day of term Mon 19th – Term 4 begins

Weds 21st - Year 5 Visit to Sheldon (group 2) – more information to follow Thurs 22nd – Rags2Riches Collection

TD Days 2023-2024

Monday 29th January 2024 Thursday 28th March 2024 Monday 10th June 2024 Wednesday 24th July 2024

