



## REDLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 19.1.24

### School Visit – 'I Can & I Am' Bus

Today, we were visited by the I Can & 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 enjoyed sessions combining pizza making on the ground floor with workshops on the top deck of the bus. The team talked about the idea that we have a metaphorical balloon within us and when this is filled or inflated, we feel good about ourselves, we are resilient and we have self-confidence. The children discussed ways we can keep our balloons of self-belief inflated. Here are some comments from the children:

"It was really fun! We talked about what we were good at and our beliefs. The whole idea is to make you feel better about yourself and to remember to believe in yourself." **Darcey J**

"We made a pizza, then we went upstairs and talked about all of the good things in life, and believing in ourselves." **George K**

"We talked about things we can improve and I learnt a lot. We went downstairs and made a pizza – it was delicious, and it did not take long to make!" **Ryan B**

"Upstairs on the bus, we talked about friendships and feelings, and we made some notes." **Maiya M**

### Absence Procedures

A reminder to please let the office know by 9am if your child will not be in school. You can call the school and leave a message on the absence line. If a child has sickness and/or diarrhoea, the NHS states they should stay at home for 48 hours after the last episode before returning to school. Thank you.

### A message from the Headteacher

We have certainly seen some colder weather this week, but this has not prevented the children from enjoying a wide range of outdoor activities, including PE, sports clubs and outdoor learning.

Our Year 5 children had a great time at their taster day at Hardenhuish School this week, where they experienced what it is like to be at secondary school. The Year 5 children will also be visiting Sheldon School in the coming weeks.

It has been fantastic to welcome the team on the I Can & I Am Bus today. Our Year 6s have thoroughly enjoyed these important sessions focusing on wellbeing and self-esteem.

Have a good weekend.

Best Wishes

Mrs Joy

### Buzzards Class – Multi-Skills at Hardenhuish

Last Friday, Buzzards Class visited Hardenhuish School to take part in a multi-skills sports' session, which was run by sports' leaders from the secondary schools. The children had a brilliant morning, and enjoyed the variety of activities on offer.

"I really enjoyed it because we did lots of different sporting activities. Most of them involved working in a team. It was great fun!" **Sophie F**



### 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

### School Uniform Sale

On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> 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).

### Non-Uniform Day

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February, we will be having a non-uniform day. Children are welcome to wear their own clothes in exchange for a bag of sweets. Sweets will be used to help create the Fizzy Disco Tuck Shop.

### Fizzy Disco

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February we will be having fizzy discos! Letters with permission slips will come home around the 5<sup>th</sup>- we will be using the same system as before, and offering hot dogs, snacks and glow toys.

### Rags2Riches

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February we will be having a Rags2Riches collection. Rags2Riches 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. Please bring your bags along on the 22<sup>nd</sup> before 9am and place them outside the office entrance.

We are also looking for bookcases or racking and plastic storage boxes to use in the new shed. If you can help with a donation please email us.

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](mailto:forsevents@outlook.com)

## Future Dates

### January

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> – HCRG Health Checks for children in Reception

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> – **TD Day – school closed to pupils.**

### February

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> – Girls' Football Match at Kingsbury Green Academy, Calne.

Tues 6<sup>th</sup> – School Uniform Sale in hall at 2.40pm

Tues 6<sup>th</sup> – Dance Festival at Neeld Hall 6.30pm

Weds 7<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 Visit to Sheldon (group 1) – more information to follow

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> – Non-uniform day for FORS

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> – Fizzy Discos

Fri 9<sup>th</sup> – Last day of term

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> – Term 4 begins

Weds 21<sup>st</sup> – Year 5 Visit to Sheldon (group 2) – more information to follow

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> – Rags2Riches Collection

### TD Days 2023-2024

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

## I Can & I Am Bus

