



REDLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 26.1.24

Learning Focus: Wrens and Owls Classes

Our topic this term in Owls and Wrens is 'Space.' This week, we have been reading the story 'Aliens Love Underpants' by Claire Freedman. The children arrived at school to find a selection of jazzy underpants hung on the washing line! They came up with lots of ideas about who had left them in the conservatory. Here are some examples of what the children thought:

"The cheeky elves" – **Hugo G**

"Mrs Joy" – **Nola S**

"Edward the Elephant" – **Jude F**

After reading the story, the children then designed and named their own aliens. They came up with some wonderful adjectives!

The children have enjoyed learning facts about space, and creating space themed artwork.

Alainah remembered that Buzz Aldrin was the first man to have a wee on the moon! Layla loved learning about the planets.

The children have been weighing space rocks and ordering the planets.

The Year 1 children in Wrens and Owls have been fascinated by our space topic. They really enjoyed watching the moon landing and finding out about Neil Armstrong. This week, they have designed and written sentences about aliens using an adjective and conjunction. They have also been sorting mammals, birds and fish, and enjoyed going outside to visit the school pond, to look for amphibians. Here they found some newts! They have amazed us with their recall of interesting facts. Great work!

A message from the Headteacher

School continues to be busy, with lots of different activities taking place this week.

We were very excited to receive a letter from Damian Hinds, Minister for Schools, congratulating Redland School on the results for the 2023 multiplication tables check, taken by Year 4 children. The results put Redland in the top 200 schools in England! A huge well done to the Year 5 children (who took the test last year) and thank you to the staff and parents and carers for supporting the children with their learning.

A reminder that Monday is a TD day, where the school will be closed to all pupils. I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday.

Have a good weekend.

Best Wishes

Mrs Joy

Visit to Silverwood School

As part of our ongoing work to develop community links, the Year 5 children in Buzzards Class visited Silverwood School's Chippenham site on Monday this week. The children took part in a PE lesson with some of the students from Silverwood. They all had a great time and worked together really well.

"I was nervous to start with, but once we were paired up, I felt really excited. My partner was called Thomas. I'm looking forward to seeing him again." **Charlie L**

The Year 4 children in Buzzards Class will be visiting Silverwood in the last week of term.



'Building Community, Inspiring Learning'

School Snacks

We are looking to refresh our breacktime snack menus. We have had some great ideas put forward from the children and staff, and we would welcome suggestions from parents and carers. What are your children's favourite snacks? As a school, there are specific guidelines that we must adhere to, but we can usually tweak/alter a recipe to fit with these. If you would like to put forward some ideas, drop us an email to office@redland.wilts.sch.uk, give us a call or pop into the office. We look forward to hearing from you.

FORS NEWS

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).

Non-Uniform Day

On Thursday 8th 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 8th February we will be having fizzy discos! 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.

Rags2Riches

On Thursday 22nd 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 22nd 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

Future Dates

January

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

February

Thurs 1st – Girls' Football Match at Kingsbury Green Academy, Calne.

Mon 5th – Hawks Sharing Assembly 2.20pm in the hall

Mon 5th – Buzzards Yr 4s visit Silverwood School

Tues 6th – School Uniform Sale in hall at 2.40pm

Tues 6th – Dance Festival at Neeld Hall 6.30pm

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

Thurs 8th – Non-uniform day for FORS

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

Wrens and Owls

