

# REDLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2.2.24

# **Learning Focus: Puffins and Nightingales Classes**

Puffins have been really enjoying their ukulele lessons with Mr Donovan this year. We have a lesson every Tuesday afternoon, and we really look forward to it each week! The children have been learning to read ukulele music as well as playing the instruments. They have learnt (and almost mastered) both 'Twinkle, twinkle little star' and 'Rudolph the red nosed reindeer.' Some of the class were so keen, that Mrs Keates sent the music on Class Dojo for them to practise at home! Here are some comments from the children: 'I love it! I love musical instruments and I have even started having guitar lessons now too.' Juliet 'I like learning music. I liked learning Happy Birthday and I sometimes practise it on my ukulele at home.' **Daniel** 

Nightingales Class have been very lucky to have had Outdoor Learning this term with Mrs Evans. This week, the children were tasked with creating a musical performance using sticks. We explored how we could make different sounds by hitting the sticks against different materials in the woods such as trees, logs, stones and fences. After this, the children were able to create hanging mobiles. They looked for interesting things on the woodland floor that they could attach to a piece of string. We have absolutely loved our outdoor learning sessions this term!

Here are some comments from the children:

'I really liked the hide and seek games because we won marshmallows!' **Rufus** 

'I liked making the mobiles. I used bits of Christmas tree on mine.' **Lilly** 

'I liked the mobiles and the stick instruments. I thought they were really cool.' - **Evie** 

# A message from the Headteacher

We have had a great week at school! The children continue to enjoy their outdoor learning sessions with Mrs Evans, where they have been exploring activities linked to different subjects like science, music and art. Well done to the Redland Girls Football team for their hard work in competing against Heddington on Thursday. It was a great experience for the team, and we are all very proud of them.

Children's Mental Health Week starts on 5<sup>th</sup> February, and all our classes will have a focus on activities to promote good mental health and wellbeing. There will be some reports on this in next week's newsletter.

Have a good weekend.

Best Wishes Mrs Joy

#### **Girls Football Match**

After school on Thursday, on a pretty chilly afternoon, the Redland Girls Football team played a final match against Heddington School at Kingsbury Green in Calne.

Congratulations to Heddington who ended up winning the match.

The Redland Girls played brilliantly well, and showed great spirit, determination and sportsmanship. Well done to:

Mia P, Abi W, Isabella D, Madiha A, Kady DS, Alice N, Maya-Rose W, Esme T and Millie W.



## **Dress Up Clothes**

We are looking to start a large collection of dress up clothes and accessories for children aged 4-11 to be used in school. These could be costumes, hats, old suit blazers, headbands, plastic glasses, etc. If you have anything at home that is no longer used, we would welcome donations to the school. Please send these to the school office or to your child's class teacher. Thank you.

## **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 as part of 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 early next week. We will be using the same system as before. We will be offering hot dogs, snacks, and glow toys. We are short on volunteers for the first and second discos. If you can help, please email us.

## Rags 2 Riches - Important!

New date- the collection will now be on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Please drop all donations outside the office in the morning.

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 keen to welcome 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**

#### **February**

w/c 5<sup>th</sup> – Children's Mental Health Week Mon 5<sup>th</sup> – Hawks Sharing Assembly 2.20pm in the hall Mon 5<sup>th</sup> – Buzzards Yr 4s visit

Silverwood School

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 (Buzzards Yr 5s)

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> – Non-uniform day for FORS – bag of sweets donation

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 (Kingfishers and Falcons Yr 5s)

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> – Rags2Riches Collection

## **TD Days 2023-2024**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024 Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024

