



## REDLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 16.1.26

### Autism Reality Experience

This week, staff visited the Autism Reality Experience bus, which was on site as part of our work on the PINS project - Partnerships for the Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools. The event is designed to allow visitors to experience the types of sensory processing challenges which are encountered by children and adults every day. It was a very insightful and worthwhile experience for staff, which will help to inform how we further develop our practice in school.



### Contact Details

If you have recently moved house or changed your mobile number or email address, please let the school office know to ensure that we have your up-to-date contact details.

### School Money – Online Payment System

When using School Money to book and pay for meals or trips, please use the web page as this is more reliable than the app. Thank you.

### A message from the Headteacher

It has been another busy week in school. It was great to see so many parents and carers joining us to share our OPAL afternoon on Monday. Our lunchtime play provision has come a long way and it was good to be able to share this with you.

Although the weather has been somewhat changeable across the week, this has not prevented the children from enjoying a wide range of outdoor activities, including PE, outdoor learning and Forest School sessions.

Puffins class visited Sheldon School today for a 'Footie for Fun' session. The children really enjoyed the morning developing their football skills, and working with secondary school staff and students.

Have a good weekend.

Best Wishes

Mrs Joy

### OPAL Afternoon

This week, we held a meeting for parents and carers to talk about our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) provision and our journey through this programme. Our OPAL mentor, Rachel Murray, gave a talk about the programme. This was followed by an outdoor session where parents could see all of the different activities we now use at lunchtime and also have an opportunity to play alongside their children. It was a super afternoon and a great opportunity to share how far we have come on this journey. Thank you for joining us!



### School Times

8.20am - Playground gates open  
8.30am - Bell rings and children enter school  
2.50pm - Playground gates open  
3.00pm - End of school day

Anyone arriving late will need to go to the office entrance and sign in on the electronic system.

## FORS NEWS

### Rags to Riches

If you are having a clear out, please consider bringing your unwanted clothes, accessories and shoes in any bags for the Rags to Riches collection. It's on 5th February. All you need to do is bring your bags to the school office entrance on that morning between 8am and 9am. The FORS will be there to greet you. This is one of the easiest ways to raise money for the school!

### Dates for your calendar:

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February - Rags To Riches collection

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February - Preloved school uniform sale

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Non-uniform day and UV Disco

If you are interested in helping at any of the above events and you have not volunteered before, did you know we have a WhatsApp group which we use to look for helpers. If you're interested in being in the group, please email us at [forsevents@outlook.com](mailto:forsevents@outlook.com)

### Future Dates

#### January

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> – Early Years phonics parent meeting 2.15pm

#### February

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> – Stay Safe Initiative in school – online safety focus

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> – Rags2Riches Collection

Tues 10<sup>th</sup> – FORS school uniform sale

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> – Puffins and Nightingales trip to the REME museum

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> – Non-uniform & Fizzy Discos

Fri 13<sup>th</sup> – Last day of term

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> – Term 4 begins

Tues 24<sup>th</sup> – Chippenham Dance Festival

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> – Walk Safe for Years 1, 3, 6.

## Puffins Class – Football at Sheldon School

