



REDLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 27.11.20

Primary School Applications for 2021

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**. We will soon be posting a virtual tour of our school on the website.

Christmas Dinners

A reminder that a Christmas Dinner can be ordered for your child/children online through schoolmoney. Each class has been allocated one day of the week for their Christmas Dinner. See the list below. For the rest of the week, only sandwich bags can be ordered from the school kitchen.

Wrens and Owls	Monday 7 th December
Robins and Starlings	Tuesday 8 th December
Puffins and Nightingales	Wednesday 9 th December
Buzzards and Hawks	Thursday 10 th December
Falcons and Kingfishers	Friday 11 th December

Thank you to the kitchen staff for planning and organising the week, and to the FORS for funding the Christmas Dinners for everyone. We are all looking forward to the festive food!

Microsoft Teams

The teachers have been doing some training in Microsoft Teams and how we can use this for home learning and remote learning. Some of the classes in Upper Key Stage 2 have been trialing Teams for homework. The children have responded well and we have had good feedback. It would be great to hear from parents and carers too on how you have found this so far. More information will follow for other classes in the school.

A message from the Headteacher

Thank you to our parents and carers for completing the recent surveys: one on PSHE/RSE and one on Digital Devices in the home. We sent these out via a link to a Microsoft Form questionnaire, which is completed online. The PSHE survey results showed that you agree with our current focus on mental health and wellbeing, but also that you would like more information on the different topics of study. We do post curriculum letters on the class pages of the website, which show what the class is covering for the term, however we have taken on your feedback, and will look at how we can improve these.

Our digital device survey is still live. Please click on the link below to answer just a few questions on access to devices in the home.

We held a fire drill this week, and the children were brilliant. It was very noticeable how well the children in Wrens and Owls responded. They were calm, sensible and responsible. They all had a little treat afterwards, and I told them I would mention them in the newsletter!

Have a good weekend.

Best Wishes

Mrs Joy

Digital Device Survey

If you haven't already, please could you click on the link below to answer just a few questions on digital devices in the home. Many thanks.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=6X2bBR74I02liTAQrParHEB1fTmdRMhOmh7Zm9DEVB5UN1QyMDJLQVZTODJUUEM1MFFYSIZYMDhTMC4u>

Dog Fouling

We are aware that there has been some dog mess near the school over the last couple of weeks. This has been reported to the council by the school and also by Redland Nursery. Some of our children have made signs to remind people to pick up after their dog. These will be on our fence shortly. Thank you to parents and carers who have also reported this.

School Times	Drop off Time	Finish Time
Wrens and Owls -	8.25am	2.40pm
Robins and Starlings –	8.35am	2.50pm
Puffins and Nightingales –	8.45am	3.00pm
Buzzards and Hawks –	8.55am	3.10pm
Falcons and Kingfishers -	9.05am	3.20pm

FORS NEWS

Redland Rainbow Hamper Raffle

The raffle tickets for the rainbow hampers were sent out last week and we have been overwhelmed with the response, with lots of extra books requested. If you wish to buy the tickets, the stubs and payment will need to be returned by your children and posted into the box in each classroom **by Tuesday 8 December**. If you have any unsold tickets to return, please could you let FORS know forsevents@outlook.com and we will arrange collection from you so that they may be resold. Thank you.

Redland Elf Hunt

We are pleased to announce that we will be hosting a new event this year – the Redland Elf Hunt, which will run from Friday 4 to Monday 14 December. Follow the walking trail to spot 35 Redland elves that are sitting in the windows around our area. You will need to make a note of the Christmas related items they are pictured with. Once completed, send us a picture of your answer sheet or pop them in an email to us by 15 December. Two entries with all correct answers will be picked at random to win a treat hamper (shown below) as the first prize, and a £10 voucher from Glazed as the second prize. We will be setting up a JustGiving page to ask for donations for those that take part in this event with a suggested donation of £2 per family. Please see the FORS Facebook page, which will be updated over the next week, with details on how to view/download the map and the answer sheet.



Future Dates

December

Week beginning 7th – Christmas Dinners
10th – Christmas Hamper Raffle Draw
Weds 16th – KS2 Christmas parties
Thurs 17th – FS2 & KS1 Christmas parties
Fri 18th – Last day of term.

January 2021

Mon 4th – School starts

TD Days for 2020-2021

Monday 14th June 2021

Wednesday 21st July 2021

Thursday 22nd July 2021

Friday 23rd July 2021

Puffins and Nightingales Class Learning



The children have been learning about the artist Wassily Kandinsky. They experimented with mixing colours, and recreated his famous circles. Puffins and Nightingales have enjoyed using their new art sketchbooks.