

# REDLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 20.9.24

# **Open Mornings for Reception Intake 2025**

We will be having two Open Mornings on

# Monday 7th October and Wednesday 9th October

for families with children who will be starting school in September 2025. Please call the office on 01249 651623 to book a space.

#### Applications:

You can apply for primary and secondary school places online at <a href="http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-admissions-applying">http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-admissions-applying</a>

The deadline for secondary school places is 31st October 2024.

The deadline for primary school applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

# **OPAL (Outdoor Play And Learning)**

This year, we are continuing with our development of lunchtime play activities through the OPAL scheme. Thank you to the Chippenham Borough Lands Charity and the FORS who are supporting this project. The children are thoroughly enjoying the fancy dress and music speaker at lunch times! We are still taking donations for fancy dress – adult sized clothes (dresses, jackets) are particularly popular!

Looking ahead, we would like to introduce a teddy bears' picnic focus and are asking for donations of any preloved teddy bears and blankets. Please could any donations be handed in to your child's class teacher or the school office. Thank you!

#### **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.

# A message from the Headteacher

It has been another busy week here at Redland. In their outdoor learning sessions, children in Hawks Class learned how to use tools safely in order to create some woodland insects out of logs. As part of their Rebuilding Britain topic, Falcons Class have been finding out about Clement Attlee, and they did some great work on the use of persuasive language in a role play session. Starlings have been enjoying developing intercepting skills as part of their PE lessons with Mr Murphy, and Robins have worked really hard to produce some excellent imaginary recount writing. We send our very best wishes to Mrs Steele who is about to start her maternity leave. We look forward to hearing exciting news very soon!

Have a good weekend. Best Wishes

Mrs Joy

## **School Orchard**

Wrens Class visited the orchard as part of their outdoor learning sessions. The children picked apples and pears from the trees. They then brought them back to class, washed them and tasted them. Here are some comments from the children:

"They are so juicy!" Ronnie M

"They are really tasty and sweet." Aaron M



# FORS (FRIENDS OF REDLAND SCHOOL) NEWS

The FORS had our annual meeting on Tuesday evening. We were all very excited for the coming term and events we have planned! See attached flyer for your elected committee.

We have lots of dates for your diary. This term we have our first Fizzy Disco of the year on the 17<sup>th</sup> October and our first school uniform sale will be on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October in the hall from 2.40pm. When we come back after the October break, we will be having our Rags to Riches collection on the 8<sup>th</sup> November. We are beginning to make plans for Christmas. If you would like to get involved, our next meeting will be on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> of October. Please contact us if you would like to attend - time and location TBC.

We are looking for suitcases - about 20kg capacity. They must be on wheels and in good working order. If you have a suitcase that you don't use that you would like to donate to us, please email or message us on Facebook to arrange this.

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook! FORS-Friends of Redland School Chippenham <u>forsevents@outlook.com</u>

## **TD Days 2024-2025**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025 Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025 Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2025

#### **Future Dates**

#### September

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Residential to Lee Abbey departs at 10.30am

returns at approx. 2.30pm

Fri 4th - Year 6 Residential to Lee Abbey

#### October

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> – Open Morning for parents with children starting Reception in 2025 Weds 9<sup>th</sup> - Open Morning for parents with children starting Reception in 2025 Weds 9<sup>th</sup> – Harvest Festival Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> – Yr 6 Bikeability Group 1 Fri 11<sup>th</sup> - Yr 6 Bikeability Group 1 Mon 14<sup>th</sup> - Hawks and Buzzards trip to Corinium Museum

Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> – Fizzy Discos – Non-uniform day

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> – School photos Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> – School uniform sale at 2.40pm in hall

# Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> – Last day of term

#### **November**

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> – Term 2 starts Fri 8<sup>th</sup> – Rags2Riches Collection Mon 11<sup>th</sup> – Parents' Meetings Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> - Parents' Meetings

### **OPAL Lunchtimes**









