



REDLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 10.1.25

School Place Applications for 2025

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 2025.

Learning Focus: Kingfishers Class

This week, Kingfishers have started their Year 6 Learning Groups for English and maths with Miss Hull and Mrs O'Brien. The learning groups help the children to prepare for their SATs tests, and support and develop their organisational skills before they start secondary school. The children have started the term with a positive and focused approach to their learning.

Kingfishers are really enjoying their new DT topic on Fairgrounds, particularly with the knowledge that they will be visiting Thorpe Park later in the year for their leavers' trip! This topic links really well to the science unit of electricity which the children studied last term.

The class had their first outdoor learning session of the term with Mrs Evans today.

Here are some comments from the children:

"Me and some of my friends made bracelets from yarn. Poppy made a snowman out of wood." **Lilly**

"We had a good morning. Some children were using the mud kitchen, others were exploring the forest area grounds." **Reuben**



A message from the Headteacher

Welcome back and Happy New Year! It has been lovely to see all of the children back at school, and we all enjoyed the playtimes in the snow at the beginning of the week!

Wrens and Owls had their first dance session with Mr Mitchell today, which they really enjoyed. The children will continue developing their dance skills in these sessions throughout Term 3.

Children in Buzzards, Falcons and Kingfishers have enjoyed their outdoor learning sessions with Mrs Evans this week, and they are looking forward to extending their skills and knowledge across different curriculum areas.

Have a good weekend.

Best Wishes

Mrs Joy

Street Tag

Street Tag is a free, interactive smart phone app that promotes community wide participation in physical activities such as walking, cycling and running, turning the world around you into a virtual playground, where points are gained by being physically active and collecting virtual tags. The app can be used to improve mental and physical wellbeing through movement and competition, whilst allowing exploration of open spaces and points of interest within the local community.

Wiltshire Council are promoting Street Tag across all schools in the county. We will be in touch again soon, to explain a bit more about how you can get involved and how this will link to school.

In the meantime, you can find out more about the scheme using the following link: [Street Tag](#)



Snack and School Uniform.

A reminder that we ask for children to bring healthier snacks for their morning break such as cereal bars, fruit or vegetables, not items such as crisps, sweets or chocolate bars. Water bottles which the children access throughout the day should only contain water.

As part of our school uniform policy, nail varnish is not allowed in school. Earrings are permitted but must only be studs. All other jewellery items are not allowed in school, except for wrist watches. We really appreciate your support with this.

FORS News

Gift Donations

We are collecting any unwanted or duplicate Christmas gifts. If you would like to donate anything, please leave it in the red bin on the playground (outside Kingfishers classroom) or take it to the office. Please see the attached flyer.

Upcoming FORS dates

11th February - School uniform sale
13th February - Fizzy Discos
27th February - Rags To Riches collection

Future Dates

January

Weds 15th – Deadline for Primary School Applications

Fri 17th – Hawks Class Multi Skills session at Sheldon – more info to follow

Mon 20th – Times Table Activity afternoon for Year 4 parents at 2.15pm

Thurs 23rd – Year 5 Taster Day at Hardenhuish – more info to follow

February

Tues 11th – School uniform sale in hall at 2.40pm

Tues 11th – Year 6 SATs meeting for parents at 3.10pm in Kingfishers Class

Thurs 13th – Non-uniform day

Thurs 13th – Fizzy Discos

Fri 14th – Last day of term

Mon 24th – Term 4 begins

Mon 24th – Chippenham Dance Festival – more info to follow.

TD Days 2024-2025

Monday 9th June 2025

Wednesday 23rd July 2025

Thursday 24th July 2025

