



REDLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 24.1.25

Year 4 Times Table Afternoon

On Monday afternoon, we held a session for Year 4 parents and carers focused on activities which support the learning of times tables. When children are in Year 4, they take a national online test called the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) in June.

It was great to see so many parents and carers attending this session. We hope you found it useful and enjoyable.

Here are some comments from the children:

"It was great to practise times tables with parents."

Evie J

"I really enjoyed teaching my mum times tables games on the iPads."

Rory E

"I enjoyed it because I love working on times tables."

Lauren G

"It was a very fun experience and I think we should do something like this again in school."

Ethan D

Nightingales Class – Multi Skills Event

Last week, Nightingales Class went to Hardenhuish for a multi-skills PE event with other Chippenham schools. We completed a carousel of activities including parachute games, fitness challenges and football skills. The children worked brilliantly in their small groups and showed excellent teamwork and perseverance. Well done Nightingales!



A message from the Headteacher

It has been a busy and productive week at Redland. The Times Table afternoon for Year 4 parents and carers was well attended and very successful. The session provided opportunities for parents and carers to work alongside their children, exploring activities which support the learning of times tables. We are looking to run other curriculum events for parents and carers later in the year.

Our Year 5 children enjoyed a Taster Day at Hardenhuish School on Thursday this week. The children came back to school buzzing with excitement! Have a look at the photos at the end of the newsletter.

Have a good weekend.

Best Wishes

Mrs Joy

Learning Focus: Buzzards Class

This week in Buzzards Class, we have continued with our poetry focus in English, looking at Michael Rosen's poem 'The Plastic Bag Tree.' We watched Michael Rosen perform it and discussed how he made it so enjoyable to watch. Whilst the Year 5 children were at Hardenhuish, the Year 4 children spent some time working on their own performance of this poem. They did a really good job and it was great to watch all of their expressions and actions.

In outdoor learning, we managed to avoid the rain and the children used natural materials to make objects such as bows and arrows, necklaces and wands!

The Year 5 children had a taster day at Hardenhuish where they experienced secondary school lessons for the day. They really enjoyed their science lesson where they were testing liquids to find out whether they were acid or alkaline and mixing chemicals to produce gas. During their PE lesson they were lucky enough to try out the climbing wall! Here are some comments about the taster day:

"Hardenhuish was good. My favourite lesson was PE when we used the climbing wall. I had pizza for lunch."

Jay-Jay S

"I liked DT the best at Hardenhuish. We did some woodwork and made and painted a wooden stag which we took home."

Deleisha H

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

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. We are also beginning to plan for an Easter event which will be held on Saturday 28th March. If you can help us with this event at all, please email us.

11th February - School uniform sale

In the hall from 2.40pm (gates open early). All items 50p. Cash and card accepted.

13th February - Non-uniform day

If you can, we are asking for the following voluntary donations.

Please only donate if you can. Suggestions below:

Owls, Wrens, Starlings, Robins, Puffins, Nightingales - a bag of sweets

Hawks, Buzzards, Falcons and Kingfishers - an Easter egg or treat of any size

13th February - GLOW Discos

A slight twist from the usual 'Fizzy disco' - the glow disco will have UV lighting. More information to follow! Helpers between 3.30pm-9pm welcome! Please email or Facebook message us if you are available to help between these times.

28th February - Rags To Riches collection *note this date has changed*

This time no bags will be sent home. Rags to Riches have said please use any bags that can be sealed or tied. Bags can be dropped at school on the morning of the 28th February and placed outside the office. A FORS team member will be there to count the bags.

Email - forsevents@outlook.com

Future Dates

February

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

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

Thurs 13th – Puffins and Nightingales trip to The Living Rainforest

Thurs 13th – Non-uniform day

Thurs 13th – Discos

Fri 14th – Last day of term

Mon 24th – Term 4 begins

Mon 24th – Chippenham Dance Festival 6.30pm at the Neeld Hall

Fri 28th – Rags2Riches Collection

March

w/c 3rd – Parents' Meetings – more info to follow

Thurs 6th – World Book Day – more info to follow

TD Days 2024-2025

Monday 9th June 2025

Wednesday 23rd July 2025

Thursday 24th July 2025



Year 4s in Buzzards performing The Plastic Bag Tree poem, by Michael Rosen



Wooden stags made in Design Technology at the Year 5 Hardenhuish Taster Day



Year 5 Taster Day at Hardenhuish School