

REDLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 7.2.25

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Children's Mental Health Week

The week started with a whole school assembly with Mrs Joy, talking about the focus of this year's Children's Mental Health Week – Know Yourself, Grow Yourself. We talked about what makes us unique, our likes and dislikes, our hopes and dreams, and our strengths.

In the classrooms, children have worked on a range of activities focused on supporting good mental health. Here are a few examples:

Robins Class drew some images about what makes them happy. In Buzzards Class, the children spelt out words using sticks to describe how being in the woodland area made them feel. They also made emoji faces out of sticks. Hawks Class wrote and delivered some kindness notes to children and staff across the school. Falcons Class talked about personal values and chose three that meant a lot to them. Puffins and Nightingales spent time creating their own personality islands inspired by the film Inside Out. They talked about how important it is to get to know their own personalities and understand the things that are important to them and make them happy.









A message from the Headteacher

Throughout the week, the children have been taking part in activities to promote good mental health and wellbeing. You can read more about this below.

A part of our curriculum which focuses on personal development and wellbeing is outdoor learning. The children continue to enjoy these opportunities and Mrs Evans has collected their thoughts and feedback on the impact of these sessions. Please see the children's comments at the end of the newsletter.

Today's Mini Mudder event at Hardenhuish, which Hawks Class were participating in, was postponed due to the cold weather conditions. We look forward to a new date in the warmer months!

Have a good weekend.
Best Wishes
Mrs Joy

OPAL – Outdoor Play And Learning

This term, we have added some new activities to our lunchtime play. We will soon be adding more resources and we will be in contact with you to ask for donations. Watch this space! In school, we have been putting together our own OPAL display board to show our progress in developing lunchtime activities for all the children:



National School Governors' Awareness Day – 13th February

This day aims to raise awareness of the vital role of school governance. There are currently 20,000 governor vacancies nationwide. You can access a series of free webinars about school governance by clicking on the link below:

National School Governors Awareness Day

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

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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. Helpers between 3.30pm-9pm welcome! Children who prefer not to use glow paint do not need to visit the 'glow paint' station - this is optional. If you can help at this disco please email us.

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.

29th March - Easter Egg Hunt Event

We look forward to sharing more details soon.

Email - forsevents@outlook.com

Future Dates

February

Tues 11th – Safer Internet Day

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

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

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

Weds 26th – Grittleton Residential meeting for parents at 3.10pm in Hawks' room

Fri 28th - Rags2Riches Collection

March

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

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

Weds 19th – Year 5 Taster Day at Sheldon (Group 1)

Weds 26th – Year 5 Taster Day at Sheldon (Group 2)

TD Davs 2024-2025

Monday 9th June 2025 Wednesday 23rd July 2025 Thursday 24th July 2025

Outdoor Learning



Children's comments on outdoor learning:

"It makes me feel happy and have no worries." "Fun, friends and fresh air!"

"It's great that in outdoor learning, our only limit is or imagination."

"You can't be bad at outdoor learning – you just have lots of experiences." "Outdoor learning gets me through the week."

"I love having fun in the rain."

"Outdoor learning makes me feel calm when I hear the wind in the trees."

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