



Redbrook Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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Letter from Mrs Frey



Dear Families,

I hope this newsletter finds you all well. The first signs of spring are upon us and I'm hoping that the weather improves so that we are all able to get outdoors during the holidays. With Easter being early this year, our term has flown by, but we have crammed in so much.

As we approached the season of Lent, we launched a class courageous advocacy challenge. This initiative aimed to encourage our children to use their voices and take action on issues that matter to them. Each class was tasked with identifying a cause they were passionate about and find ways to raise awareness and make a positive impact. This challenge aligned perfectly with our value of courage and empowered our students to become active citizens. There has been much excitement around the school as children have recycled single use plastic and old felt tip pens, picked litter in the community and found ways to try and reduce food waste.

I also want to celebrate the success of World Book Day. Our children truly embraced the magic of storytelling, with many coming to school dressed as their favourite book characters. It was a joy to see so many paper plates coming into school transformed into characters too - their creativity and the enthusiasm for our competition made my heart sing. On the day, we held a special assembly where we shared our costumes including those of the staff and the winning plates from our competition. Thank you to all of you who supported this event and helped make it such a memorable day for our school community.

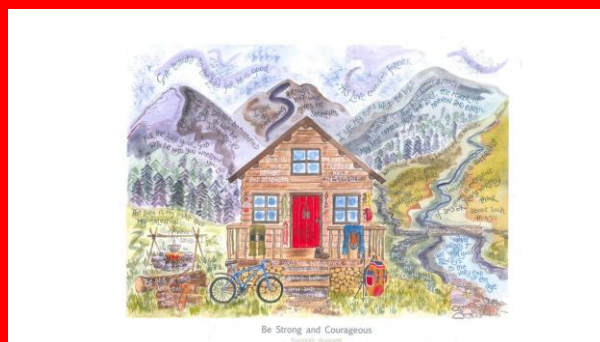
Yesterday, we came together as a federation for our annual Federation Day in preparation for Malvern. Having both schools working together brings a wonderful sense of community to us all. I want to say a huge thank you to Mrs Kilty and her incredible team who put the day together, gave up their time and are supporting us to create what will doubtlessly be another phenomenal Malvern garden later in May. You are truly valued by us all and we are so grateful for all that you do for us.

This afternoon, our Easter Service will be a wonderful opportunity for our classes to come together and celebrate the true meaning of Easter. I hope many of you are able to join us in our worship.

Finally, I want to wish you all a wonderful Easter break, I hope you all have a chance to relax and enjoy some quality time with your loved ones. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 8th April as we begin the final stretch of the school year.

With love

Natalie Frey



Robin Class



Robins have had a fun and busy five weeks, leading up to Easter!

World Book Day was a wonderful day for the children to express their love of reading and share their chosen book with one another, as well as the Kingfisher children! We made book marks, wrote book reviews and shared our paper plate designs. We had such creative entries!

The children enjoyed designing, making and evaluating their Easter biscuits. The classroom was a buzz of excitement (and flour!) as the children worked together to bring their ideas to life. In Geography, we have continued our learning about London, focusing on the physical and human landmarks. The children were able to make links back to London in 1666 with confidence, including The River Thames and St Paul's Cathedral!

Dance has been a highlight of the week for many of the children, as we prepare for our Dance Extravaganza. The children are becoming more confident each week! It will be such a fantastic experience for them to perform on stage in April.

We have enjoyed being outdoors more this half term, planting bulbs and seeds. The children cared for their cress seeds, watering them and checking they had enough sunlight and warmth to grow. They then washed and prepared this to enjoy in egg, cress and mayonnaise sandwiches!

I hope you all have a lovely Easter and I look forward to welcoming the children back into school for the final term of the school year.

Best wishes,

Miss Marfell

Reading Week & World Book Day!











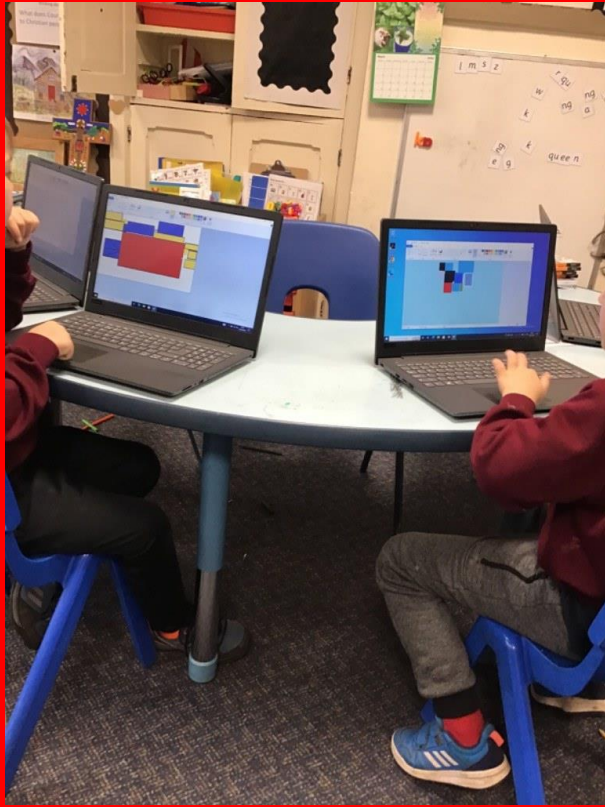
Fun and learning in Robins Class!

















Kingfisher Class



“There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate’s loot on Treasure Island” – Walt Disney

Book Week and World Book Day have to be the highlight of this half term. We started the week with an online event led by authors Michael Rosen and Jasbinder Bilan, also including illustrator Allen Fatimaharan. The children were inspired by the telling of fairy tales and the drawings alongside them and enjoyed listening to the professional writers.

‘Book and Tell’ was another lovely addition to the week. The children enjoyed sharing their favourite books, creating their own book recommendations for a display.

The paper plate competition was a resounding success! The Kingfishers created some amazing entries. It was extremely tough to choose a winner but the ‘Cheshire Cat’ entry put a huge smile on the judges faces!

It was wonderful to see the array of bright and brilliant costumes to celebrate World Book Day. The children accompanied their character costume with the book that influenced their choice. A lovely day celebrating all things book and reading!

In other news, we all enjoyed our trip to Cardiff National Museum. A fabulous opportunity and experience to embed and extend some of our science learning.

I hope you all have a wonderful Easter break. A few reminders for next half term. Dance Queens sessions continue in school on a Tuesday (please wear PE kit) up until the ‘Dance Extravaganza’ on Friday 26th April. More details to follow.

Best Wishes

Miss Chambers





Book Recommendation

Book: Northern Lights
 Author: Philip Pullman
 I recommend Philip Pullman's Northern Lights. It is a magical book full of wonder, beauty, joy, and adventure. It is a perfect book for anyone who loves to read and who is looking for a new book to read. I think this book is perfect for people who love to read and who are looking for a new book to read. I think you will love this book. I think you will love this book. I think you will love this book.

Book Recommendation

Book: How to Train Your Dragon
 I recommend How to Train Your Dragon. It is a great book for anyone who loves dragons. The main character is Hiccup. He is a young boy who is different from the other boys. He is a young boy who is different from the other boys. He is a young boy who is different from the other boys.

Book Recommendation

Book: The Secret World of Stargazing
 I recommend The Secret World of Stargazing by Adrian West. It is a great book for anyone who loves to look at the stars. It is a great book for anyone who loves to look at the stars. It is a great book for anyone who loves to look at the stars.

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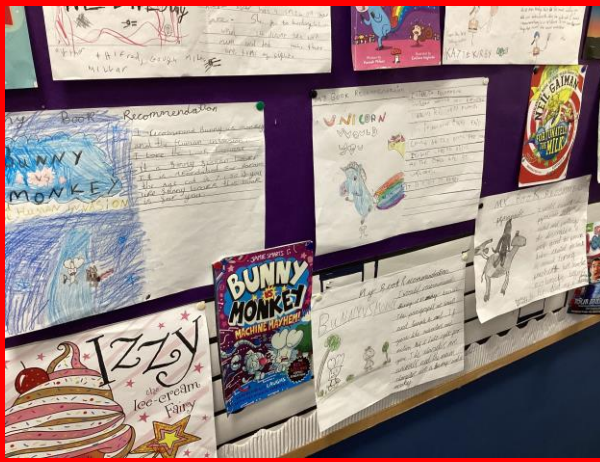
Book: Always Clementine
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Book: Breakfast Club Adventures
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Dance Extravaganza April 26th

Both schools will be performing the dances they have been working on at the Savoy Theatre on April 26th.

More information about the day will follow in due course.

Tickets are available now, to purchase email: contact@thedramaqueens.co.uk



FORS Curry Night Success

Thank you so much to FORS, who organised an incredible Curry Night at the village hall. There was a great turn-out from the village, and a lot of fun and good food was had by all.

The event raised a splendid £1,165!

Thank you to all those who helped organise it all, especially Ruth and Malith, Helen and Dan, who cooked and served food and ran the bar, as well as organising the whole event.

Thank you also to all those who contributed raffle tickets - the prizes were great and included:

Afternoon Tea for Two at Tudor House, 3 Course Sunday Lunch with a glass of wine at the Bush Inn, £20 drinks voucher at The Boat Inn, £25 Pop's Bus voucher, 45 Minute Family Photography session, £20 voucher for The Pig & Apple, Book Bundle, Superfish Voucher, 3 x 1 hour dog walks

with Bob, Painty Place voucher, Local food hamper, Wine and chocolates, Upcycled Gin Bottle Candle, Breathwork book and eye pillow, Bag of firewood and much more!

And last of all, thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets and attended the evening.

The money will go towards developing our outside play area so that all the school can use it.

Volunteer Panel Members required

Gloucestershire County Council are in the process of recruiting volunteer Panel Members to assist with virtual School Admission Appeals. They are particularly in need of Parent Members (those with children currently in education).

To apply to become a volunteer school appeals panel member , click the link below:

[Apply to become a volunteer school appeals panel member | Gloucestershire County Council](#)

Vicki Hopson, Democratic Support Officer

Gloucestershire County Council Block 3, Second Floor, Shire Hall, Westgate Street, Gloucester GL1 2TG Tel: 01452 425492

Dates for your diaries

Please check letters home for more details about events. Dates may change.

Friday 22 March – Easter Service, Redbrook Church 2.30pm

LAST DAY OF TERM - Friday 22 March

EASTER HOLIDAYS - Monday 25 Mar - Friday 5 April

FIRST DAY OF TERM - Monday 8 April

Tuesday 9 April / Wednesday 10 April – Year 6 SATS practise

Thursday 26 April - Whole School Dance Extravaganza at Savoy Monmouth, details to follow

Fridays May 3/10/17/24th, June 7/14/21/28, July 5 – Kingfisher Outdoor Fridays, more info to follow

Monday 6 May – Bank Holiday

Tuesday 7 May – Friday 10 May – Malvern week - details to follow

Thursday 9 May – Sun 12 May – RHS Malvern Spring Festival

Monday 13 May – Thursday 16 May – Yr 6 SATS

Monday 20 May – Yr 6 Bikeability, details to follow

LAST DAY OF TERM – Friday 24 May

HALF TERM – Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May

INSET DAY – Monday 3 June

FIRST DAY OF TERM - Tuesday 4 June

LAST DAY OF TERM – Friday 19 July

(INSET DAY – Monday 22 July)

We update key dates on our website (www.wyeforestfederation.co.uk), please check there and in your emails for notifications.

Term Dates 2023-2024

There is a downloadable version of this, together with our 2024-2025 term dates, on our website at:

https://www.wyeforestfederation.co.uk/web/term_dates/363933

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Term Time		Holidays	
Bank Holiday		INSET days	