



Redbrook C of E Primary Newsletter

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Letter from Mrs Frey



Dear Families

Our Malvern garden again this year was an absolute triumph. We are so blessed to have a talented and committed team of volunteers who lead the process from beginning to end. Mrs Kilty, Mrs Naylor, Mrs Viner and Miss Taylor, secure donations, create designs, lead our gardening club and work with all of our children to inspire them around a given theme. We can't thank these ladies enough for all they do for our schools to get us involved with this incredible project.

We also have a wonderful group of parents who help to make this all possible, through offering transport and working with us on the garden throughout the year. Thank you to: Emily Crawley

Hazel Parry, John Gill, Cindy Jones, Kate Davies, Katy Blanchard, Becca Whately, Sarah Monahan and Rudi Schlenker for your support.

Naturally, it is the children's input that makes all the difference to our garden. Many are involved in our build days and throughout the show speaking to the public. We also take all of Year 4 from both schools for the day on the Thursday to visit the garden and the show. Every child involved demonstrates courage and resilience in ways we often don't expect and is a real credit to our federation. It is truly a blessing to watch them shine and hear the wonderful feedback from the judges and public that meet them.

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to everyone!

In other news, Miss Chambers has now left us for her maternity leave. Thank you to everyone who sent in or contributed to gifts for her and her new baby. A big thank you too to Mr Woodley for stepping in during the final week of term. We now look forward to welcoming Mrs Coombs at the start of next half term. I'm sure you will join me making her quickly feel part of the Redbrook family.

Wishing you all a wonderful half term break.

With love

Natalie Frey

Executive Headteacher

Robin Class

What a busy half term, it has has flown by!

Years 2 and 3 have enjoyed learning all about the Great Fire of London. They discovered what London was like, how it has changed and the many landmarks that are there today. They even wrote their very own information booklets all about London - these are now in the Library for their friends to read!

Year 3 enjoyed a visit to the shop, to put their money skills into practice. They had £2 to spend, and needed to work out how much their items cost and how much change they would receive from their £2. Year 2 have enjoyed working practically to measure millilitres and litres, and all the children enjoyed 'fractions toast' - cutting it into parts before eating it! Year 1 have been busy counting in fives and tens, while Reception have enjoyed exploring shapes, making patterns and pictures with these.

In Computing, Year 2 have enjoyed using animation to bring their pictures to life! Year 1 have been busy designing animal shelters and a Lego city. In Music, we've used the Glockenspiels to create high and low melodies, as well as joining in with call and response chants. We enjoyed creating hand and foot prints in Art, and then used black pen to add further detail.

Reception have enjoyed lots of time outside this half term. They've been busy planting, putting on performances and making all sorts of wonderful meals in the mud kitchen! They have enjoyed the non-fiction text 'The Big Book of Bugs' and have been busy writing all about them!

We hope you have a lovely half term break.

Best wishes,

Miss Marfell and Miss Taylor













Kingfisher Class

The Summer term is always one of my favourites. The weather has improved, we're often able to spend more time outside, eating lunch on the playground and enjoying visits to the park and field. Lots of fun to be had whilst the hard work has continued!

Last week, Year 6 faced and overcame a significant step in their primary school journey – SATs! They tackled this challenge with maturity, resilience and determination, completing 6 papers in total and getting one step closer to their next adventure: secondary school. Well done Year 6! Your chosen secondary schools are going to be lucky to have you and you will be greatly missed at Redbrook.

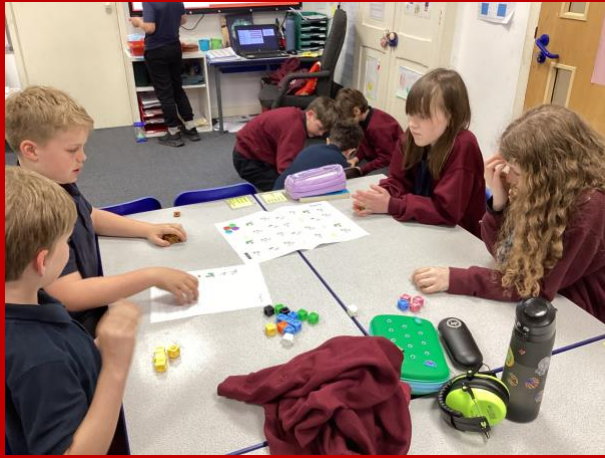
We've thoroughly enjoyed our two PE focuses this half term: athletics and orienteering. In athletics the children have focused on developing key skills and we've looked at how they link to Olympic sports such as throwing (javelin, shot put, discus and hammer), jumping (learning the triple jump technique, scissor jump for high jump and we learnt about the Fosbury flop – we didn't have a go!) and relay races (variety of obstacle courses). With Charlie, as part of orienteering, the children explored navigating, using the appropriate terminology and developed their team skills, especially key communication.

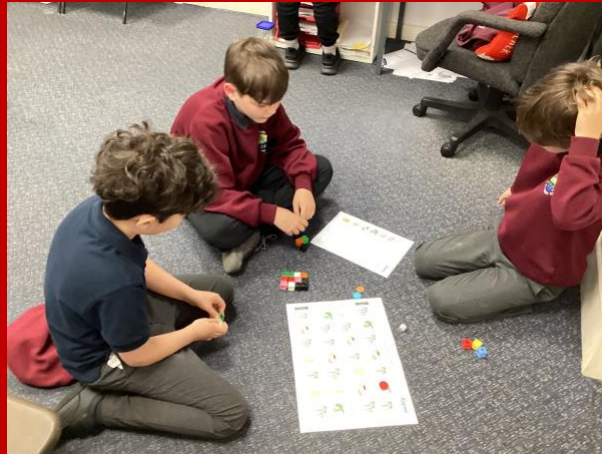
This half term is always busy with children taking part in our wonderful Malvern Garden Project. A big thank you to Mrs Kilty and Miss Taylor for the incredible organisation, dedication and passion that goes into this project every year. The outcome is always a superb success for both schools. The children always come back with lots to say and how much they enjoyed it! A fabulous addition to our curriculum. Another big hit has been our computing focus. The older KS2 children thoroughly enjoyed making E:books, creating quizzes for another, whilst the younger year groups created comic book strips, adding dialogue and pictures. Recently they've all enjoyed a music creation unit and the classroom has been filled with a variety of beats, bops, zips and tra-la-lahs. They've particularly enjoyed sharing their work with one another, headphones round their necks like professionals – music producers of the future!

And just like that, we've come to the end of the first part of the Summer term and suddenly there's only 7 weeks left of school! This is also my final newsletter for a little while and I would like to say a big thank you for all your support, kindness and understanding during my pregnancy. I hope to be back to visit for the Year 6 Leavers service to say a final goodbye! I leave you in the very capable hands of Mrs Coombs who will be joining you. I'm sure you will all give her a warm Redbrook welcome in June and I look forward to seeing you all again in the not too distant future!

All the best,

Miss Chambers





Malvern Success!

Miss Taylor, Lex, Clare and I spent an amazing two weeks at the Malvern Garden Show creating our garden "Whispers of the Wye".

We were so impressed with all the children from both schools who came to Malvern to help us build the garden, and especially our 4 children who talked to the judges. We would

also like to thank all the parents who helped us to transport materials and children to and from Malvern each day and to congratulate all the children who came to talk to the public at the weekend. So many members of the public complimented us on your children's behaviour, politeness and ability to explain the garden.

We were awarded "Highly Commended" for our garden and gained an award for sustainability.

Mrs B Kilty











Sports News

This term, two teams of children proudly represented Redbrook at our local sporting events, demonstrating excellent teamwork, determination and enthusiasm. The first

event was a trip to Gloucester for ten-pin bowling, where the team performed brilliantly. A special congratulations goes to Dylan, who received a certificate for scoring over 100 - a fantastic achievement! We also enjoyed a wonderful session at Viney Hill Activity Centre, where the children had great fun trying archery and developing new skills.





Friends of Redbrook School (FORS) update

- Thank you to everyone who came to the family quiz night. We raised £203 for future events and equipment for our school.
- The School Fete returns on Saturday the 11th July. We are looking for raffle prizes from local businesses, so please get in touch with kata_debulay@yahoo.co.uk if you are able to provide a raffle prize from your work or local business please.

Alex Conrad

Dates For Your Diaries

Please check emails home for more details about events. Please note dates may change.

LAST DAY OF TERM - Fri 22 May

Mon 1 June - INSET day - school closed

FIRST DAY OF TERM - Tues 2 June

Tues 2 June - Drumming workshop after school (for those who have signed up)

Thurs 4 June - London Residential Parent information meeting after school 3.20pm

Sat 6 June - Live on the Wye festival - Redbrook children performing

Tues 9 June - Reception Bristol Zoo trip (drop off and collect from St Briavels School)

Tue 9 June - Year 6 Leavers service at Gloucester Cathedral (children dropped off at St Bs in the morning, collect from RB in afternoon)

Mon 15 June - Sports afternoon - all welcome on field 1pm-3pm

Thurs 18 June - 3.30pm - Welcome Meeting for new reception children starting Sept 2026

Wed 1 July - Fri 3 July - London Residential

Mon 6 July - Year 5 - 5 Acres Super learning Day

Sat 11 July 12-2pm School Fete

Thurs 18 July - School Leavers Service - 2pm in the Church - everyone welcome

LAST DAY OF TERM - Fri 17 July

Mon 20 July - INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED

Tues 1 – Wed 2 September INSET DAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED

FIRST DAY OF TERM - Thurs 3 Sept 2026

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

Term Dates 2025/26

Please note these are for the academic year starting in September 2025 .

Term dates can be found on our website here:


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

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