

Redbrook C of E Primary School Newsletter

Striving to be the Best we can Be



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Dear All,

Well folks, we come to the end of what has been both a challenging and a successful year at Redbrook CofE Primary School. We have undergone three inspections, have worked closely with the local authority and are delighted that the hard work of our entire community has been recognised. I am so proud of our lovely children, the work they have put into their learning and the progress they have made as a result. I am so proud of our dedicated teachers and support staff who have worked tirelessly to provide the best for our children despite the financial challenges. And finally, I am so proud of you, the parent community who provide endless support for us all in many different ways. What a team we are together! #teamawesome. It is great to be able to end the academic year on a high note and know that, once rested over the summer, we will be ready for continuing our fantastic learning adventure together from September. So, stay safe and have fun during the break and I look forward to our next chapter.

**Sarah Helm, Executive Head Teacher,
The Wye Forest Federation**



Congratulations are in order for the teachers and children at Redbrook. The school has been judged as GOOD by Ofsted. This acknowledges the amazing amount of work the teachers and Headteacher Sarah Helm have put in to make sure the education we are providing the children at the school is the best it can be with the resources we are given. They all deserve a thank you!

**Chris McFarling
Co-Chair of Governors**



Wraparound Care plant sale raised £50!

Thank you to all who bought plants which were grown by breakfast and afterschool club.

Funds will be spent on resources for afterschool club.

Well done Denise and Hilary!



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Goodbyes!

We are sad to see Mrs Dutton (our School Business Manager) leaving us as she has made a fantastically positive contribution to our Federation and has had such an impact in such a short space of time. Mrs Dutton is leaving us due to personal reasons luckily she will continue to support us part time until we are able to appoint.

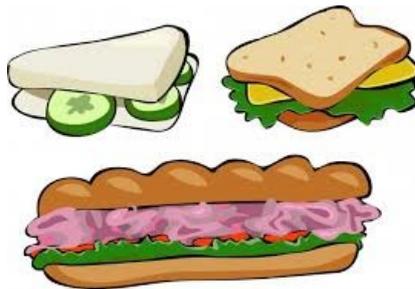
We would like to say a great big thank you and good luck to Mrs Thompson who has been a great TA for us in Falcons. She is leaving to move closer to family, we wish her the best of luck. Thank you for your cheerfulness and calmness!



Last Day of Term—Tuesday 23rd July!

On the last day of term please join us all for the leavers service in Redbrook Church at 2.30pm. There will be then be a BYO picnic on Redbrook millennium green—all families and friends welcome.

Happy holidays everyone!



Friends of Redbrook School (FORS):

A huge thank you to everyone who helped with the fete- the tombola donations, preparations, goal building, table carrying, stall holding, ice cream selling, coconut and chicken throwing all paid off and raised a super £295!! Well done! This will help pay for school trips and other great things for the children over the next year.

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Sports Day

We were blessed with beautiful weather for our (reserve!) sports day! The sun shone and a great time was had by all. Thank you to Mr Powell for organising it, Mrs Blanch for providing shade, Mrs Pickett for selling lollies and everyone who helped.



Forest Schools

This week Forest Schools session was used to play team games on the field. We had a great time with the parachute (and some naughty mice and cunning cats)! Thank you to Mrs Blanch for all her help over the last terms with forest schools, letting us use her woods, helping drive children there and back (thank you so much for this!) and yesterday bringing a gazebo to provide much needed shade. Thank you!



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*** The Malvern Garden Show Holiday Challenge! ***

As part of our preparation for and as a way of ensuring that the Malvern Garden Show is woven throughout our new enquiry curriculum, we would like to set a holiday challenge for children (and parents!). The title for the Malvern Garden this year is 'The Seven Wonders of the World'. The title can be interpreted any way we would like and we will be holding some design workshops in the Autumn term to further explore this idea.

For a holiday challenge we would like to invite you to explore this idea in any way you feel inspired.

Ideas:

- **What are the seven wonders of the world?**
- **What would YOU include in a list of world wonders?**
- **Where have you been that has been 'wonderful'?**
- **What makes you wonder?**

This work can be presented in any format and will be used to inform our design process and the work undertaken throughout the year leading to another successful Malvern Garden Show for the Federation.

We now have a 'Pay it Forward' system

We are introducing a Pay-it-forward scheme in school. This has been suggested by some parents over the last six months and we would like to trial it. It means in essence that if you would like to make a donation to cover another child's activity or trip cost we will make sure that the cost is covered and the child/ren can attend. If you would like to donate, please can you call into the school office with either cash or cheque and we will ensure the money goes to the correct place. Thank you so much. We can keep the donation completely anonymous.

Uniform next year

Our new uniform suppliers are now online. You can order uniform through:

<https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/redbrook>



If you have any old uniform your child has grown out of, please bring it into the office. We can recycle it to other growing pupils!

We currently have some book bags available for sale—first come first served. They cost £5 and are available from the office.

Names on uniform please!

Please remember to label all your child's clothes! This can be done with Sharpie pens or you can get sticky nametags which stay on through clothes being washed. I have used 'Stikins' which have proved very useful (I'm sure others are available!): <https://www.stikins.co.uk/>

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The Good Shepherd Project – Can you find the sheep?



All Church of England Primary schools in the Diocese of Gloucester were visited in 2018/2019 by a sheep which was looked after and decorated by the school community, before continuing on pilgrimage to the next school within the deanery for a new adventure and decoration.

All the members of the Diocese of Gloucester flock are spending their holidays in Gloucester Cathedral, where they would love to be visited by children and their families from 5 August. Come along during your holidays and follow the sheep trail around the cathedral...Can you find all the 9 sheep?



Book Club

Rossiter Books in Monmouth are starting a Book Group for 9-12 year olds: #BookChat

The #BookChat Book Group will be held in the Rossiter Bookshop in Monmouth 5-6pm on the 1st Wednesday of the Month starting with three sessions in the Autumn Term: September, October and November. The aim of the Book Group is to encourage children to read for pleasure and hopefully build a life long reading habit.

A friendly book group for children to discuss this months' book and ideas arising from it at Rossiter Books, Monmouth

£10 per session including the book and refreshments (Limited to 15 per session)

Book your place with Rossiter Books now for our first session on 4th September 5-6pm and read *The Closest Thing to Flying* by Gill Lewis over the summer holidays.

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Autumn Term 2019 — Redbrook Primary School

Please check website for updates!

Day	Date	Class	Event
Friday	19/7/19	Whole School	Sports activities day—wear PE kit NOTE NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUB
Monday	22/7/19		PE= Summer Sports NOTE Both afterschool sessions will be charged for today
Tuesday	23/7/19	Whole School LAST DAY OF TERM	Leavers Service 2.30pm in the Church LAST DAY OF TERM—Picnic on millennium green NOTE NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUB
Monday	2/9/19	INSET	INSET
Tuesday	3/9/19	INSET	INSET
Wednesday	4/9/19	FIRST DAY OF TERM!	FIRST DAY OF TERM!
Thursday	5/9/19		
Friday	6/9/19		
Monday	9/9/19		
Tuesday	10/10/19		
Wednesday	11/9/19	Robin & Kingfisher	PE: have your kit in school!
Thursday	12/9/19		
Friday	13/9/19		
Monday	16/9/19		
Tuesday	17/9/19		
Wednesday	18/9/19	Robin & Kingfisher	PE: have your kit in school!
Thursday	19/9/19		
Friday	20/9/19		
Monday	23/9/19		
Tuesday	24/9/19		
Wednesday	25/9/19	Robin & Kingfisher	PE: have your kit in school!
Thursday	26/9/19		
Friday	27/9/19		

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Day	Date	Class	Event
Monday	30/09/19		
Tuesday	1/10/19		
Wednesday	2/10/19	Whole school Robin & Kingfisher	Individual school photos PE: have your kit in school!
Thursday	3/10/19		
Friday	4/10/19		
Monday	7/10/19		
Tuesday	8/10/19	Selected year groups tbc	Flu immunisation
Wednesday	9/10/19		
Thursday	10/10/19		
Friday	11/10/19		
Saturday	12/09/19		Harvest and messy church—Redbrook church
Monday	14/10/19		
Tuesday	15/10/19		
Wednesday	16/10/19	Robin & Kingfisher	PE: have your kit in school!
Thursday	17/10/19	Year 6	Five Acres High School Open Evening contact Five Acres ffi
Friday	18/10/19		
Monday	21/10/19		
Tuesday	22/10/19		
Wednesday	23/10/19	Robin & Kingfisher	PE: have your kit in school!
Thursday	24/10/19		
Friday	25/10/19	LAST DAY OF TERM	LAST DAY OF TERM
Monday	4/11/19	FIRST DAY OF TERM	FIRST DAY OF TERM