



Redmarley C of E Primary Academy Newsletter

8th October 2025

Shining as a Light in the World Our Value this Term: Generosity

Dear parents and carers,

We are delighted to share some of the exciting learning and experiences happening across our school this term. The children have been immersed in rich curriculum opportunities that continue to inspire and deepen their understanding of the world around them.

Class 4: WW2

Class 4 recently took part in a moving and memorable performance centred around World War II, joined by children from Ann Cam. This collaborative event beautifully enhanced their learning theme, helping them explore the impact of war on people's lives. In class, they are now creating detailed models of Anderson shelters and blitzed houses.

Class 1: Autumn Wonders

This week, Class 1 have been exploring the magic of autumn through their provision. Apples, conkers, and pumpkins have added rich sensory experiences to their learning, sparking curiosity and creativity. Their writing has also been very impressive, with the children practising to record all those letters and sounds they have been working hard on in phonics.

Class 3: Stig of the Dump & Stone Age Art

Class 3 have been diving into *Stig of the Dump* as part of their Guided Reading focus. Inspired by the story, they've produced beautiful narrative writing using vivid vocabulary. Their Stone Age sketches are also incredibly detailed and accurate-well done, Class 3!

Class 2: Upcoming Trip to 'We the Curious'

Class 2 are buzzing with excitement about their upcoming trip to Bristol's *We the Curious* science centre. This promises to be a fantastic hands-on experience that will spark scientific thinking and wonder.

PTFA News & Thank You

A huge thank you to our PTFA, who have already held their second meeting of the year and have some brilliant events planned. We're all looking forward to the Spooky Quiz this Friday! Last year's cake sales raised funds for each class, allowing us to purchase wonderful new books and water paints-these treats make a real difference to our children's learning and enjoyment.

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Harvest Festival & Generosity

Our Harvest Festival was a beautiful celebration of our school vision and value of generosity. The children shared poetry and artwork reflecting the theme, and we are so grateful to all families who donated so generously to the Lord's Larder. Thank you!

Behaviour Focus: Rewards & Recognition

The best incentive for good behaviour choices for children are positive recognition and encouragement when they are doing the right thing- something the children really value. Children are recognised through:

- Golden Moments: When they bring special work to Mrs Hankins, showing they are truly 'shining'. This makes Mrs Hankins' day!
- Stars of the Week & Termly Stars: Celebrating outstanding attitudes and learning.
- House Points: Encouraging teamwork and led by our brilliant House Captains.
- Ongoing positive praise that is genuine and supportive.

We continue to develop our policy, so please do share if you have any thoughts in line with this focus or the previously shared.

Outdoor Learning & Playground Updates

We're thrilled to share that Class 3 now has a newly fenced outdoor area, providing a developing space where children can extend their learning. It's been wonderful to see the whiteboard in use, alongside practical learning activities and games that bring lessons to life in the fresh air.

We're also excited to announce that the monkey bars have been reinstated-a much-loved favourite! The children are absolutely loving their return. A huge thank you to our fantastic maintenance team for completing both of these brilliant improvements.

Open Morning Success

Our recent Open Morning was a great success. The children who led tours with Mrs Hankins were a real credit to the school-confident, warm, and welcoming. The parents we showed round were very impressed- thank you for helping us shine!

Please see below upcoming diary dates. Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards,
Mrs Laura Hankins
Head Teacher

Diary Dates

- **Thursday 9th Oct - Class 2 trip** – We the curious
- **Friday 10th Oct** – PTFA Quiz and Curry Night 6pm – 8.30pm School Hall
- **Friday 17th Oct** – Reception Trip to Happy Pandas Café
- **Thursday 22nd October & Friday 23rd October – INSET DAYS**
- **Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October HALF TERM**
- **Monday 3rd November** – Author visit
- **Thursday 6th November** – PQ Football Festival Y5/6
- **Wednesday 12th November – Friday 14th November** - Viney Hill Residential Y4
- **Monday 17th November** – Parents Evening 3.30pm – 5.00pm
- **Tuesday 18th November** – Parents Evening 5.00pm – 7.00pm
- **Wednesday 19th November** – PQ Cinema Visit Y3/4
- **Thursday 20th November** – Reception & Y6 NCMP – letter to follow
- **Friday 21st November** – Individual School Photos
- **Friday 21st November** – Book Fair in School
- **Friday 5th December** – Elf Panto
- **Monday 8th December** – Nativity Dress Rehearsal
- **Wednesday 10th December** – Nativity 2pm
- **Thursday 11th December** – Nativity 9am
- **Friday 12th December** – PTA Dress down Friday – bring a raffle item
- **Friday 18th December** – End of Term