



Messages from Redfield's Senior Leadership Team

18th September 2026 – Newsletter 2

Term 1 – Community

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy and positive couple of weeks at Redfield, and we have been particularly proud of the way the children have settled into the new academic year. Across the school, classrooms are calm, purposeful and focused, with children demonstrating our Redfield Way of being Ready, Kind and Safe.

Over the past two weeks, we have welcomed a number of visitors into school, including Luke, our new CEO, Deputy Headteachers from across Educate Together Academy Trust and parents and carers who joined us for a welcome meeting and tour of the school.

The feedback from our visitors has been overwhelmingly positive. They have commented particularly on the quality of the learning taking place, our learning environments and how calm and purposeful the school feels. This is a real testament to the hard work of our children and staff and the high expectations being established across the school. We are incredibly proud of the start everyone has made.



Redfield Community Day – Monday 21st September

On Monday, we will be celebrating Redfield Community Day, with children taking part in a range of projects and activities designed to help them explore and celebrate the community around them.

As a Rights Respecting School, developing children's understanding of belonging, participation and their role within their community is an important part of our curriculum.

We would love to invite parents and carers to join us from 3:10–4:00pm to see what the children have been working on and celebrate their learning with us.

Ahead of the day, we will also be sending home a Redfield Scavenger Hunt for children to complete with their families.

We would also love to hear from any parents or carers who would be happy to come into school and talk to children about their job, role or the ways they contribute to our local community. If you would be interested, please speak to your child's teacher.

We look forward to celebrating our wonderful Redfield community together!



Slimbridge – An Exciting Opportunity

We are delighted that Slimbridge has very kindly offered some of our children and families the opportunity to take part in a visit, alongside further workshops in the future.

The aim of this partnership is to help children and families have greater access to the countryside, nature and wildlife, providing experiences that some children may not otherwise have the opportunity to access.



This is an exciting addition to our wider curriculum and enrichment offer, supporting children's understanding of the natural world and their right to access a broad range of experiences. We will share further information with the relevant families and year groups.

Celebrating Our Children

We have made some changes to our Celebration Assemblies this year. As our new format becomes established during Term 1, from Term 2 we will begin inviting families of children receiving Teacher and Headteacher Awards to join us for the assembly and celebrate their achievements.

Alongside our weekly awards, each week will have a different celebration focus, allowing us to recognise the huge range of achievements our children have both inside and outside of school:

- Week 3 – Play and Lunchtime Recognition: chosen by school staff
- Week 4 – Sporting Achievements: shared by parents and carers
- Week 5 – Reading Achievements: celebrating progress through Accelerated Reader and phonics
- Week 6 – Pupil Leadership: led by our pupil leaders
- Week 7 – Achievements Outside School: for example Scouts, Brownies, clubs and other activities, shared by parents and carers
- Week 8 – Staff Shout-Outs: chosen by our pupils

If your child has an achievement they would be proud to share with the school, please send it to info@redfieldet.org.uk so we can include it during the relevant week.

Celebrating children's achievements and giving them opportunities to share what matters to them is an important part of ensuring their voice is heard and valued (Article 12).

Music is Back!

It has been fantastic to welcome Preludes and Rocksteady music lessons back into school this week.

The children have been amazing and have thoroughly enjoyed getting involved in their music sessions. Whether learning an instrument, performing alongside others or experiencing what it is like to be part of a band, these opportunities develop creativity, confidence and teamwork.



Music and the arts form an important part of children's right to participate in cultural and creative activities (Article 31), and we are looking forward to seeing their musical skills and confidence develop throughout the year.

Secondary School Applications – Year 6 Families

A reminder to our Year 6 families that applications for secondary school places are open, with the application window running until the end of October.

We know that applying for secondary school can sometimes feel daunting, so our admin team will be holding a Secondary School Application Support Session at 2:00pm on Thursday 8th October.

The team will be available to talk you through the application process and support you with completing your application. Laptops will be available for you to use, and we'll provide the tea and coffee too!

There is no need to struggle with the process on your own, so please do come along if you would find some additional support helpful.

Reception 2027 – Come and Visit Redfield

We will soon be beginning our school tours for prospective families looking for a Reception place at Redfield for September 2027.

Choosing a school is an important decision, and our tours provide families with an opportunity to visit Redfield, see our learning environments, meet members of our team and find out more about our curriculum, values, Rights Respecting ethos and wider school community.

If you know a family who may be interested in joining us in September 2027, please do share this information with them.

Please see below for further details about our upcoming tours and how to book a place.



Redfield
 Educate Together

RECEPTION ADMISSIONS 27/28

OPEN NOW

We warmly invite you to join our growing school community! You are welcome to visit us for a school tour and to meet our passionate team.

- Monday 28th September (9.00am-9.30am)
- Tuesday 20th October (14.00pm – 14.30pm)
- Tuesday 3rd November (17.00pm – 17.30pm)
- Thursday 19th November (12.00pm – 12.30pm)
- Wednesday 9th December (11.00am – 11.30am)
- Wednesday 6th January (16.00pm – 16.30pm)

BOOK TODAY

 01173790777
 info@redfieldet.org.uk



Mobile Phones – A Reminder



A reminder that only children who have permission to walk home independently are permitted to bring a mobile phone into school. Phones must be turned off when children enter the school site and handed to their teacher as soon as they enter the classroom, where they will be stored safely for the school day. Phones should not be used anywhere on the school site.

We have also noticed an increase in children gathering outside school before the gates open to watch videos or access apps together on mobile phones.

While children's use of phones outside the school site remains the responsibility of parents and carers, we would really appreciate families talking to children about online safety, appropriate use of apps and videos, age restrictions and the importance of not sharing inappropriate or upsetting content with others.

Helping children understand how to use technology safely and responsibly is an important part of protecting their right to be safe (Article 19) and developing responsible digital citizens.

As always, thank you for your continued support and partnership. It has been a really positive start to the academic year, and we are incredibly proud of the enthusiasm, behaviour and attitudes to learning we are seeing from our children each day.

Term 1	
Date	Event
21/9/26	Community and Culture Day 3:15-4:00pm
28/9/26-2/10/26	Book Fair (Main Hall) 3:10-3:30pm
7/10/26	Year 3 - Harvest Festival @2:45pm – main hall
16/10/26	FORET Clothes swap 3:10-4:00pm – main hall
19/10/26 and 21/10/26	Parent/Carer evening 3:30-5:30pm
End of term 26 th October	



FORET NEWSLETTER

Friends of Redfield Educate Together

We hope you had a lovely summer holiday, and welcome back (or welcome for the first time!) to a new school year at Redfield Educate Together.

We are FORET and looking forward to the year ahead.

For families who are new to Redfield, FORET stands for Friends of Redfield Educate Together. We are a group of parents and carers who meet once or twice each term to support the school through fundraising, volunteering and community events.

Over the past year, we've helped fund trips, performances and resources for the children, supported school celebrations, created costumes and invested in play resources, and organised events such as our ever-popular school discos, Winter Fayre and Summer Fayre.

Our aim is simple: to help create an inclusive, positive and vibrant school community where all children can thrive.

Importantly... our AGM is coming up!

Whether you are new to the school community or a long-standing member – we would love to see you there! The AGM is an opportunity to vote in the FORET committee and decide our priorities for the school year ahead.

Please check our notice board on the school wall inside the green gates or the poster as you enter through reception for details of when and where we'll be meeting.

If you can't make the AGM but would like to get involved, share an idea, or learn more about what we do, feel free to email us at foret.pta@gmail.com.

We hope to meet you soon!