

Redfield Educate Together

UPCOMING EVENTS

w/c Mon 14 November:

-Anti Bullying week

Mon 14th November:

- Year 1 music trip to St Georges Hall

Thursday 17th November

-KS1 Maths Workshop

Friday 18th November

-Winter Disco, organised by FoRET

GENTLE REMINDERS

Can children bring only a small sized bag to school, similar to a bookbag size, to ensure they all fit in the allocated space

Our Educate Together Principles:

DEMOCRATICALLY
RUN
CHILD-CENTRED
EQUALITY BASED
CO-EDUCATIONAL

Dear Parents/Carers,

Term 2 Week 2

It is always such a positive start to the new term to begin with an Art day based on our value of the term. This term, we are focusing on Compassion and I have certainly seen so many examples of this value in action over the last two weeks.

In my role as head teacher, I am privileged to get a really good overview of the whole school, from Reception to year 6. Without exception, I have seen some really powerful learning on my daily learning walks. Children were making Compassion biscuits in year 3 to share with a friend, performing Compassion plays in year 2 and having healthy debate in Year 6 around a range of different scenarios which required skills of empathy and reflection.

I know many of you have already been into school for either a Launch event or a visit to your child's classroom. We are delighted to see so many of our families sharing their child's learning and look forward to meeting many more of you over the course of this term.

Children as Leaders:

As you know, we appointed to these positions at the end of last term and our Eco Champions met today to plan their first activities of the year. These are our Pupil Leadership groups this year:

Kindness Champions – led by Laurie

Change Makers/Rights Respecting Champions – led by Sophie

Sports Champions- led by Scott

Eco Champions – led by Alice

All groups meet twice each term and will play a key part in our school development work this year.

Communication Survey:

This will be sent out to you next week via SeeSaw. Please keep a look out! If you have any difficulty accessing SeeSaw then please see the office who will be able to support you .

Free Instrumental Tuition for all Phase 2 children in receipt of pupil premium funding

If you were not aware of this and would like your child to learn an instrument this academic year, then please contact the office. Tuition is available on:

Keyboard, Violin, Drums and Clarinet.

Enjoy the weekend ahead of us and we will be ready to welcome you and your children at the school gates on Monday.

Sophie Westerwijk

Compassion Day Special

Tuesday 1 November

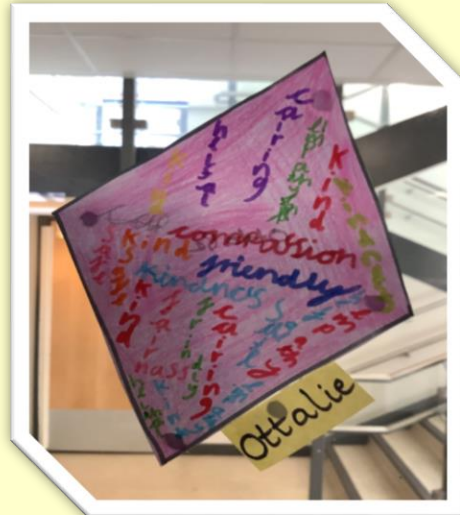
Reception were lucky to have a special guest speaker from Year 2, who came in to speak to Reception classes all about compassion. We have been using the word compassion in our play and learning this week.

Year 1 created cards and artwork that show compassion and care, to give to people we care about at home.



Year 2 acted out different scenarios where we showed compassion for people who were upset or in trouble. Then we created artwork and collages all about compassion.



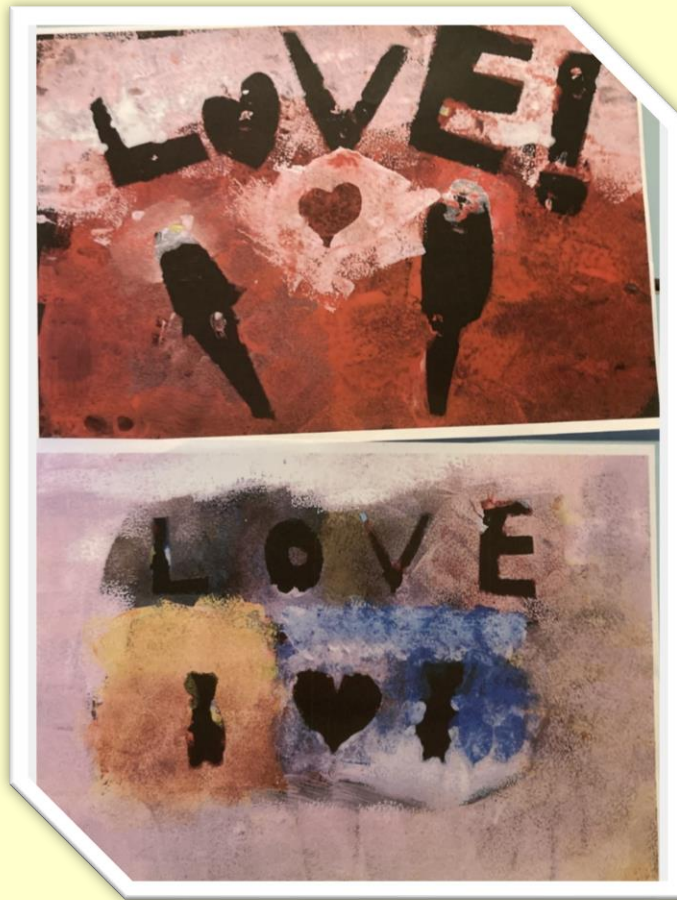


Year 3 made rainbows with our fingerprints and added raindrops with words about compassion. We also made posters about showing compassion for Earth.



Year 4 made positive and negative cats and made gifts for our families, because compassion is about showing kindness and an unexpected gift is kind.

Year 5 looked at street artists like Banksy and created slogans about peace, compassion and happiness using paints and stencils.



Year 6 were drawing pictures of somebody if they were feeling sad or angry in charcoal, to represent the negative emotions they were feeling by using dark colours. Then we used brighter colours to represent the help and good emotions that help the person that is feeling down.



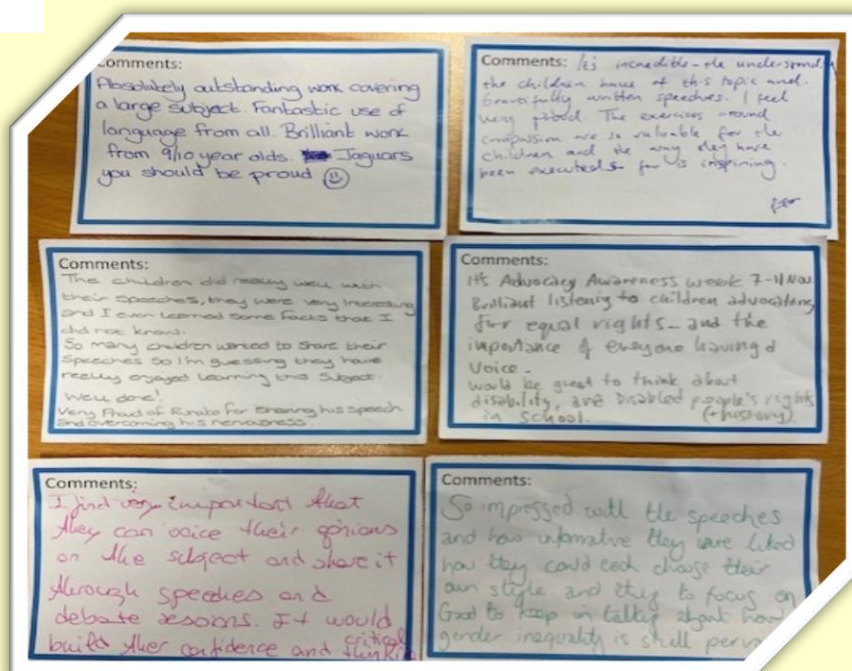
Eco Champions

Well done to our Eco Champions who have formed their group and started making lots of plans to make our school more sustainable. They are kicking off Term 2 with a fantastic assembly and have already been working really hard to share their ideas and passions with our school community!



Year 5 Gender Inequality

What a fantastic Launch Event Year 5 had this week! They invited parents/carers in to share the children's speeches and debate Gender Inequality. Below are some comments that our parents/carers left with us:



Play Team



Friends across the school community pitched in to build an obstacle course Thursday lunchtime. It was lovely to see the co-operation and lots of kindness with sharing the resources and the fun of completing the course. They also enjoyed a group dance, devising their own dances



E-Safety

We all want our children to be safe, which can be especially challenging in today's online world. We have some resources to help you manage the risks of this and things to consider with a couple of the most popular games

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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about MINECRAFT

AGE RATING 7+

Minecraft is a beloved classic of modern gaming. First released in 2011, this open-ended 'sandbox' game of building and exploration still has over 140 million players who happily return to play it at least once every month. Minecraft has also been utilized far much more than just entertainment: it's sometimes used in schools to teach children coding, and it's also employed as a tool for computer-aided design, which is another valuable skill. Encouraging creativity and problem solving, Minecraft has plenty to offer gamers of all ages, and it's available on almost all video game platforms.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

PUBLIC SERVERS

Joining a public network (called a server) lets your child potentially interact with strangers through text chat. Some servers focus on building, while others are dedicated to role-playing, encouraging direct player interaction. Anyone can join public servers and connecting to one is relatively simple. Public server IP addresses (and therefore someone's location) are easy to find with search engines.

GRIEFING

Some people in Minecraft delight in purposefully annoying or destroying another player's creation. This is called 'griefing' and is a form of bullying. It intentionally spoils someone else's experience in the game by deleting hours of their work and forcing them to start from scratch. Many public servers treat griefing as a severe offence and frequently ban offenders.

ADDICTIVENESS

Minecraft's gameplay is relatively simple, and the outcome (when a child has built something new, for instance) can be extremely gratifying. This can make the game highly addictive. It's easy to lose track of time while playing Minecraft, causing committed young players to forget about other activities like homework or enjoying family time.

SCARY ELEMENTS

The visual design and gameplay of Minecraft is justifiably child-friendly, so there's nothing too sinister in the game. However, some of the 'baddies' that can be encountered might prove a little too scary for very young players. In the game, certain enemies can be lost at night and are accompanied by audio – such as creaking rooms and skeleton bone rattles – that may unnervе young ones.

ADDITIONAL PURCHASES

After initially buying the game, players can make optional extra purchases for cosmetic items and other bonuses. Minecraft Realms is an optional online subscription (requiring regular payments) that lets users run a multi-player server to play with their friends. Most cosmetic purchases also need an active subscription to enable online play – so online gaming can quickly become an expensive hobby.

Advice for Parents & Carers

RESEARCH CONTENT CREATORS

There are a lot of Minecraft content creators who release helpful videos about the game on YouTube and Twitch. Not all of these, however, are suitable for children. Watching these content creators' channels yourself first is a safe way to find appropriate Minecraft videos to share with your children. It also helps you learn more about the game itself, and how your child plays it.

CHOOSE THE RIGHT MODE

Selecting 'Creative' or 'Peaceful' mode allows children to play Minecraft without having to contend with enemies. It's also a great way for you to get used to playing the game with them, since the difficulty level is lower. This allows you to work together on a long-term project, creating something special without the threat of losing progress or sleepers damaging your build.

HOST A PRIVATE SERVER

The easiest way to find a safe server for your child to play on is to make one yourself. Finding a server prevents strangers from spying on, unless they've been given the necessary joining details. A private server also lets you control who's allowed to enter and – if necessary – to ban anyone who shouldn't be there. This is the closest equivalent to parental controls in Minecraft.

ENCOURAGE BREAKS

It's easy for the hours to fly by while your child is playing Minecraft, so reminding them to take regular breaks is essential. This is a useful way for them to learn good time management, which they'll benefit from as they get older. It also teaches them to play their favourite games in moderation – limiting addictive behaviour and allowing them to manage their day better.

TALK ABOUT STRANGERS

At some point in their lives, almost everyone needs to have contact with a stranger online. Talking to your child about online safety, therefore, is essential – as is having a plan in place for dealing with any hostile or difficult strangers. Ensure that your child knows never to tell a stranger about themselves online, and that they should come to you straight away if they do encounter a problem.

Meet Our Expert

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Roblox is one of the most popular video games on the market. By 2020, the game's makers were claiming that more than half of children in the USA play it. As a sandbox title, Roblox offers a huge amount of creative freedom. It lets players create their own gaming experiences with the Roblox Studio software. You can level up and gain, which can then be shared with other players online. Roblox fosters creative thinking and enjoys a robust online community of fans.

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

Roblox encourages players to communicate online (including a group chat facility). This could expose children to risks such as scammers, online predators, harassment, griefers and more. The in-game chat has some filters, but isn't perfect: players can still send (harsh) messages to others – such as general hostility – while predators can reach out to children directly.

ONLINE DATING

These are also called 'ODers' and are quite common in Roblox. An ODer is an individual who joins a game with the intention of finding someone to date online – and eventually meet in person. Such online dating is against the Roblox community guidelines, but the company doesn't detect ODers. Some player-built Roblox game worlds have even been designed with online dating specifically in mind.

PUBLIC SERVERS

Roblox has private or VIP servers, which are often popular to play exclusively with their friends, but this costs money. Most Roblox players will instead be on public servers that anyone can join. Servers can host games, virtual tools, an all kinds of aspects, including direct player interaction. Some games and servers, therefore, will put children more at risk of contact from strangers than others.

IN-APP PURCHASES

Roblox is actually free to download and play, but bear in mind that there are some hidden costs. Players are encouraged to make purchases in the game, for example, using real money. People can also buy virtual items (the in-game currency) to spend on cosmetic items in the game, and some private or VIP servers also have a cost.

Advice for Parents & Carers

SET PARENTAL CONTROLS

Roblox comes with several parental control options, which are explained next on the game's official website. It's essential to enter the correct date of birth for your child, so that allows Roblox to automatically apply the appropriate chat filters. The game also allows parents and carers to set monthly spending restrictions and monitor their child's account.

DISABLE PRIVATE MESSAGING

Roblox's private messaging function raises the risk of children being contacted by people they may not want to speak with – potentially leading to bullying, harassment, toxicity and scam attempts. The game allows you to disable messages from anyone who hasn't been added as a friend on your child's account.

PRIVATE SERVERS

If your child has some genuine friends to play Roblox online with, paying for a private or VIP server decreases the risk of contact from strangers. Even then, however, some players could invite other people – who might not necessarily be child-friendly – into the private server. If your child is a Roblox fan, it's important to talk with them regularly about any they are playing the game with.

MONITOR SPENDING

If they don't understand they're using real money, it's easy for children to accidentally spend a sizeable amount in the game. Using parental controls to place limits on their spending will help avoid any nasty financial surprises. Ensuring that you have two-factor authentication on your payment methods also makes it harder for your child to spend money inadvertently.

DEALING WITH STRANGERS

At some point in their development, your child will need to learn how to deal with strangers online. Show them how to block and report any users who are upsetting them or asking uncomfortable questions. Talking to them about what's OK to discuss – and what they should never tell a stranger online – will help them understand how to communicate with other people online safely.

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For more information, visit www.nos.org.uk/roblox/

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Safeguarding

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At Redfield, we are committed to Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our pupils. If you are a parent, child, volunteer, or member of staff you should share any concerns you may have about a child or an adult with either:

Designated Safeguarding Lead

Phelim Byrne

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Sophie Westerwijk

Family Support Worker | Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Imrana Bashir

Safeguarding Governor

Farina Ackerman

If this is not possible or appropriate and you need to report a concern yourself, the numbers below are the main contacts.

Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) – LADO@bristol.gov.uk | 0117 903 7795

National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) |

help@nspcc.org.uk | 0800 800 5000

In the event of an emergency please call 999.

After School Club Request

If you have any of the unwanted or unloved items at home, we would appreciate donations for our children to enjoy in after school club:

- Small cars
- Lego blocks
- K'nex blocks
- Wooden train tracks
- Small figurines
- Small dolls

Messages from the office

www.redfieldet.org.uk is our school website, which we are trying to keep updated with dates for events for your ease. Please can we ask you to refer to this in the first instance to answer any query you may have.

Absence Reporting: If your child is unable to attend school for any reason, please contact the school before 9am on 0117 3790777, option 1 and leave us a message with your child's name, class and reason for absence.

Thank you