

THE REDNOCK REVIEW

TERM 1 - 2023/24
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Dear Community,

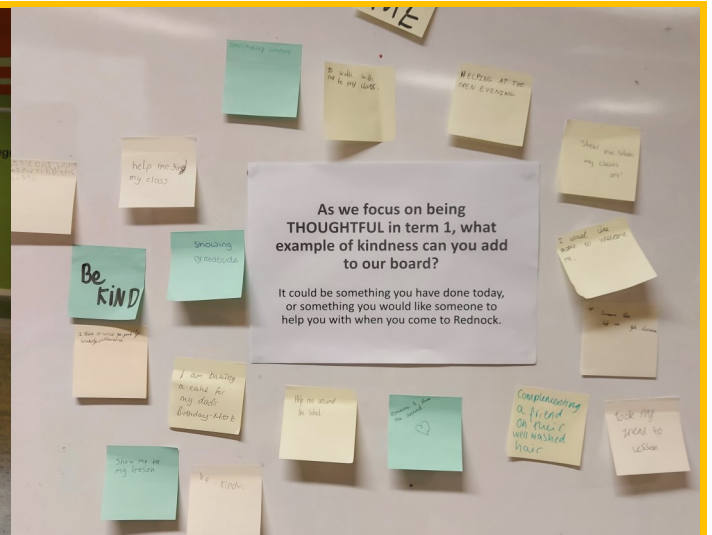
I hope you enjoy reading about what has been going on at our school this week in the 'Rednock Review'. We are now three-weeks into the new school year, and each day is better than the last! The students have made an incredible start to the year and there is a real buzz around Rednock School. A highlight of mine was welcoming our local community, in particular our prospective year 6 students, through our doors at our Open Evening on Wednesday 13th September and our subsequent Open Morning on Wednesday 20th September. We have welcomed hundreds of visitors across the two events and shown them what life at Rednock school is like. The positive feedback we have received about both events has been overwhelming.

Our students continue to impress and as we finish our third week back the opportunities available to our students beyond the classroom are increasing. My hope is that all students can find a club or activity to engage with to help enrich their experience at school.

I wish you all well for the coming weekend.

Mr Stratford
Head Teacher

Please click [here](#) to view a video from Mr Stratford



Open Events

We would like to thank everybody who came along to our Open Evening on the 13th and Open Morning on the 20th. We had an amazing time meeting everyone and sharing our passions with you. It was wonderful that so many students offered to help with the events by giving tours, speeches and demonstrations. We're proud to have students who are so eager to get involved with our Community.

**"THANK YOU REDNOCK IT WAS AMAZING,
WE ALWAYS LOVE THE OPEN EVENINGS."**

Amayah Whitlock Year 7 got stuck in with all the activities and even held a real pig heart in the Science Department.

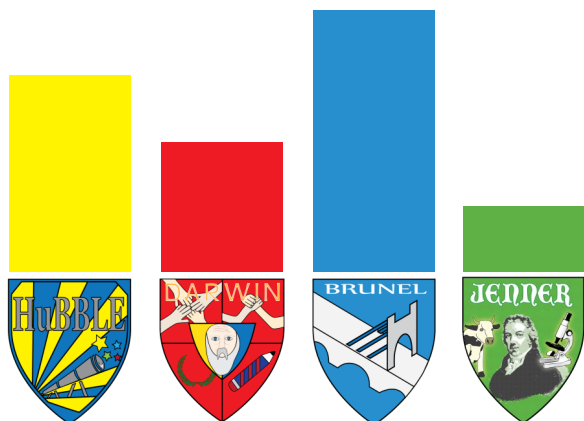


Community Achievement Heroes

Each week we have nominations flying in from Community Leaders and Tutors for students they feel deserve to be recognised as the Achievement Hero for their community. Here are the winning heroes for weeks 2 and 3! They were nominated for a variety of reasons, from having an amazing start to the school year, reaching sporting achievements to be proud of and even baking up a storm and winning the village baking competition! As you can see, some of our students are so busy Mr Stratford had to find them throughout the day to give them his congratulations!



Charlotte Woodward Elise Silverthorn Lydia Tutton Holly Clark Lauren Kilyon Jessica Jones Quinn Stoney
Cory Merrett Stewart Morrison Ollie Bateman Verity Child



Community Leader-board

The Inter-Community Competition is already in full swing! As you can see, Brunel are in the lead so far but we're only in week 3 so the other Communities have more than enough time to snatch the title from the reigning champions!

"Believe you can and you're halfway there."

Theodore Roosevelt



Artwork Update

You may remember from our Term 6 Newsletter that Miss Chinnock and some of her students were working hard on some artwork destined for our hallways. We're glad to say that they have now been displayed around the school and we think you'll agree that not only do they add some light and colour to the hallways but they are simply stunning pieces of work! Well done to all who put brush to canvas in order to create these pieces.



Boost by Gloucestershire Constabulary

Gloucestershire Constabulary is currently in the process of rolling out a curriculum to be taught in schools, focusing on self-leadership, and becoming the best version of yourself in order to maintain good mental health through a very eventful time in a young person's life. Boost is focused on developing self-leadership qualities that are designed to help children become emotionally intelligent young adults. On **Tuesday 3rd October**, the Boost team will be in school training Year 12 in the programme and preparing them for **Wednesday 4th October**, when the Y12 students will deliver the boost course to Year 7 for the whole day, alongside the Boost team. All of the content is relevant to the life experiences of young people, no matter what their background and is designed to help them lead from within; equipping them now with the skills they need to help them negotiate all the challenges that they will go on to face in life, in and out of school and beyond, as they move into the next stage in their life.

For more information please check out the Boost website: www.beboost.co.uk



Sporting Fixtures

Our Girls Football and Netball teams have been playing hard this week and here are the results of their recent games:

19/09/2023

U14 Girls Football against KLB -
Rednock won 3-2 win

21/09/2023

Girls Netball against Maiden Hill -
Year 11 drew 25-25
Year 10 lost 10-1

You can see our upcoming fixtures on page 6.



Student Work Highlight

Mrs Wade recently set her Year 8 English class an assignment to write a poem about their identity that started with the lines 'I Come From' based on Dean Atta's 'I Come From Poem'. All of their submissions were amazing and often very moving, but we wanted to share Charlotte Bottger's poem with you because it is, in the words of Mrs Wade, 'just utterly brilliant'.

You can read the poem to the right, or see Charlotte read it herself by clicking [here](#).



I COME FROM...

I come from warm hugs and laughter.
I come from leaping into the moment,
And holding each grain of sand.

I come from delicious meals and scrummy snacks.
I come from a noisy home,
From the walls, right to the floors and even the doors!

I come from the grand days out,
And crazy camping trips.
I come from not minding the messy bits.

I come from egg-exhilarating egg hunts with Anna,
And stories of Antarctica from Papa.
I come from awesome presents from Auntie Sarah.

I come from pain.
I come from suffering.
I come from prejudice.
I come from seizing my identity, my disability;
And waving it in the air.

I come from memory - making Bottgerfests.
I come from true friends.
I come from rabbits hopping in the courtyard.

I come from responsibility,
Planting a tree and watching it grow.
I come from being the big sister I can be!

I come from the Hurleys.
I come from the Bottgers.
But I am a 100% Charlotte!

By Charlotte Bottger

Peter Pan Auditions

The Drama Team have been busy with the auditions ready for this year's school show, Peter Pan!

Each day they have seen a different year of talented performers who are keen to get involved in the show. The talent in our last production, The Wizard of Oz, was very high and this year promises to be no different!

Good luck to everyone who auditioned.

Musicians Wanted!

Musicians are needed to form a band for the Peter Pan production. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays from 3pm - 4pm, to work on 10 songs to accompany the singers for the show.

Anyone interested can contact Mrs Curtis or Miss Monday, with their name, instrument, and approximate playing standard. Rehearsals will hopefully begin for the band in a few week's time. Any parents/carers who are musicians who would like to join the band would be most welcome!





Rednock School

Governing Body Vacancies

We currently have vacancies on our Governing Body for two Partnership Governors.

Rednock Governors are seeking enthusiastic and committed individuals to join their effective cohesive team of people to hold the school to account, to set the strategic direction and to continue to improve the experience of our amazing students. We welcome expressions of interest from all parts of our community.



[Click here to find out more about the Governing Body Vacancies](#)

Rednock Drama Present

Danceathon 2023

Friday 20th October 4 - 7pm

Our Drama Department are hosting our first ever fundraising Danceathon! We will be dancing all day long - 10 hours straight of showing off our moves! We will be carrying this on into the evening and we want you to join us. We have the following sessions running:

4pm - Children Dance Session

5pm - Dance Fitness

6pm - Freestyle Dance Session

Tickets are £2 per child and £3 per adult.

Tickets can be purchased from ParentPay, via the school's main reception or on the door (please note we are only able to accept cash when paying in person).

BE PART OF THE 2023 WORLD SINGING DAY!
Singing together connects us...connections build resilience

BIG SING

Come & sing along to popular classics & the latest hits...be part of World Singing Day!

SATURDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2.30-4.30PM
Rednock School, Kingshill Road, Dursley, GL11 4BY

All welcome, primary children must be accompanied by an adult

The Big Sing Saturday October 21st 2.30 -4.30pm

Rednock School is going to be hosting Dursley's contribution to the **biggest** worldwide singalong on 'World Singing Day'.

The Big Sing is open to all ages and abilities with no previous singing experience needed - just come along with a willingness to have fun and join in with some of the popular classics and latest hits. World singing day is a global sing-along held annually on the third Saturday in October and this year's theme is Mental Health with Lean On Me chosen as the World Singing Day song of the Year.

The Big Sing is an exciting new event for Dursley and being brought to the local community by Rednock School working in partnership with Holding Together in GL11 and supporting the Gloucestershire music therapy charity Mindsong. Please come along - all welcome!



School Clubs

[Click here to see times and locations for the below clubs](#)

Art Club (KS4) - Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

Book Club (KS3) - Tuesday (Week A)

Book Club (KS4) - Friday (Week A)

Book Club (KS5) - Wednesday

Cyberfirst - Wednesday

Code Club - Friday lunchtime

Chess Club - Monday and Wednesday

Dance Club - Thursday

Drama Performance Rehearsals - Wednesday

DT Club - Wednesday

DT Coursework and Skills Clinic - Thursday

Dyslexia Drop-In - Thursdays

Homework Club - Tuesday and Wednesday

Lunch Club - Every day

Magic: The Gathering - Thursday

Open Space (a safe space for LGBTQ+) - Friday

Philosophy Club - Wednesday

Physical Computing Club - Monday

Quiet Study - Monday - Thursday

Social Science Drop In - appointment only

Swing Band Rehearsals - Thursday

Warhammer 40k / Age of Sigmar Club - Thursday

Sports Clubs

All PE after school clubs start at 3.00pm and finish at 4.15pm, unless specified on this list

Tuesday

Lunchtime - Boys and Girls - Year 11 - Table Tennis / Badminton

After School – Boys - Year 7 - Rugby

After School - Girls - Year 7 - Netball

After School - Girls - Year 8/9 - Netball

After School - Girls - Year 10/11 - Trampoline

Wednesday

Lunchtime - Boys and Girls - KS3 - Table Tennis / Badminton

After School - Girls - Year 8/9/10/11 - Football

After School - Girls - Year 7/8/9 - Trampoline

After School - GCSE and Sports Studies Students - Badminton

Thursday

Lunchtime - Boys and Girls - Year 10 - Table Tennis / Badminton

After School - Boys - Year 8/9 - Rugby

After School - Girls - Year 10 /11 - Netball

After School - Girls - All Years - Fitness Club

After School - Boys and Girls - All Years - Cross Country

Upcoming Sports Fixtures

Girls Fixtures

26/09/2023	U16	Netball
29/09/2023-01/10/2023	Y8-Y11	Netball
04/10/2023	Y7/Y8	XC
05/10/2023	Y9-11	Netball

Boys Fixtures

25/09/2023	Y11	Football
03/10/2023	Y10	Rugby
04/10/2023	Y7/Y8	Cross Country





Dates for your diary

Date	Year Group	Event
27/09/23	Year 13	National Apprenticeship School Trip
28/09/23	Year 11	Royal Shakespeare School Trip
30/09/23 - 02/10/23	Years 9 - 13	Poland Krakow School Trip
04/10/23	Year 7	Gloucestershire Constabulary Boost (more information on page 3)
05/10/23	Year 10	Year 10 Report is due home
05/10/23	Year 10	Royal Shakespeare School Trip



Rednock 6th Form

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OPEN EVENING – NOVEMBER 30TH



Year 6 Open Morning

Thursday 19th October 2023

We will be running tours where you can explore the school and see us in action!

Please note this is a ticket only event!
You can book your spot on a tour on our school website.
Tickets will be available from 2 weeks prior to the event.

Don't forget!
The closing date for applications is
Tuesday 31st October 2023

Student Drop-off and Pick-up

Now that our Year 7 students have had some time to get into the swing of things and get used to the busy morning and afternoon rushes we wanted to highlight our carparking protocols to help us all remain safe when dropping off and picking up. We wish to restrict the number of vehicles entering the school site at this busy time so that all students remain safe.

- You should drop your child off and pick them up outside the school site at a convenient and safe place.
- Please refrain from dropping off or doing a U-turn in the entrances.
- Do not park or wait in the disabled parking bays or the school bus layby on site as these are in regular use.

We thank you for your help with this and as a community and working together, we can keep our school site a safe place.

