REDWOOD PARK ACADEMY

We've embraced thrive in our Setting

SOLENT Academies Trust

Weekly Newsletter: Friday 24th October 2025

Redwood Park Academy's Vision

Our vision is that all pupils at Redwood Park Academy will be confident communicators, who are growing to be more independent, so that they are happy and healthy young adults who make positive contributions to their community.

Kindness | Communication | Ambition

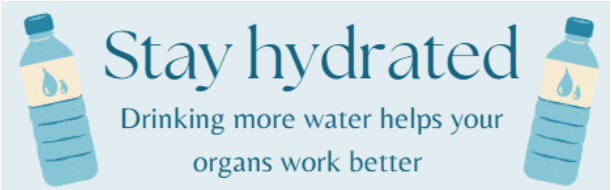
Class of the week: Castle class

Castle Class have been fantastic this term, showing creativity and teamwork in their "100 Years of Shaping Portsmouth" souvenir project. Each pupil designed their own product, including fridge magnets and keychains, a Spinnaker Tower with a roller-coaster marked *1926–2026*, water bottles, takeaway mugs, and shot glasses.

Working together, the pupils decided on two possible options, a water bottle and a takeaway coffee cup, both featuring the pupils' drawings of local Portsmouth attractions. Pupil's also learnt how products develop design to production, exploring materials, costs, and profit. The class also visited the Spinnaker Tower and souvenir shop, where the winning design will be sold as part of the Shaping Portsmouth celebrations. The professional graphic designers were amazed by the pupils ideas and can't wait to bring them to life. Well done Castle Class, your creativity and pride in Portsmouth and your work have truly shone this term!

Important information:

To ensure our children are kept hydrated please send them into school with a water bottle.



Isotonic sports drinks like the below are not allowed on school premises.

Forthcoming events

27th – 31st October – Half Term
Wednesday 5th November: Future Pathways & Parents Evening
10th – 14th November:
Year 10 Residential – PGL Osmington Bay
17th November: Inset Day

Subject of the week: Art

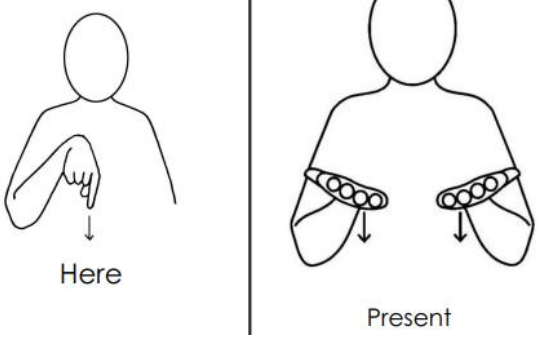
Redwood pupils continue to make great progress in their Art lessons this year. Pupils in Key Stage 3 have been experimenting with watercolour, using salt and alcohol to create different textures in the paint. The result will be a fish painting based on the work of Jason Scarpace.

Some pupils are working with clay and have been improving their hand and finger strength with lots of pinching, rolling and squeezing. They will eventually create a flat letter tile with patterns in relief which they will paint with acrylics.

Key stage 4 pupils are completing the first unit of their WJEC accreditation based on painting and drawing. The theme is a fruit still life, and they have been looking at the work of other artists for inspiration. They have been experimenting with watercolour inks and collage materials to create interesting textures for their finished artwork.

Signs of the week

Core signs:



Value of the Week:

Kindness

We are kind, helpful and considerate

Clarence: Daniel for showing kindness to his friends and being helpful to others.
D-Day: McKenzie for always looking out for others and offering praise and kind words to everyone he meets.
Fratton Park: Muhammad for consistently showing kindness towards his classmates.
Guildhall: Bella for being a good friend to her classmates and speaking to others if they need support.
Gunwharf: Sophie for showing kindness to her adults by being polite and always making us laugh with her cheerful personality.
Mountbatten: Theo for having some lovely conversations with peers and adults and making us all smile.
Nelson: Marla for showing kindness to all who need it and supporting with friendships.
Seaside: Arfa for being kind to others, sharing and taking her turn.
Spinnaker: Angelina for showing great kindness to her friends and the adults within the class, also making sure her friend was okay when upset.
Warrior: Oscar for making a very thoughtful poster for the great south run!
Cascades: Woody for always offering to help around the class and being very polite.
Castle: Ronnie for having good patience and understanding of other people's needs.
Dockyard: Alfie for always being so kind to everybody! Alfie kindly takes a staff member's lunch plate to the kitchen every day!
Eastney: Maisie for being kind to her classmates and class staff.
Museum: Nasir for always being so patient with his friends.
Southsea: Anneliese for helping with KS3 and supporting other pupils in her class.
Wedgewood: Tommy for always being kind to his class peers and for making them laugh!