REDWOOD PARK ACADEMY

We've embraced thrive in our Setting

SOLENT Academies Trust

Weekly Newsletter: Friday 14th November 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: Nelson class

What a fantastic start to the term for Nelson class! We have spent our time so far getting to know each other, making lasting friendships and getting involved in some lovely learning to start off this academic year. We have really enjoyed reading as part of our mornings and have had lots of opportunities to visit the library and choose some great books. We have been getting into good routines in class and have lots of activities to support our learning, such as talking about family trees in English and positional language in maths. We have also been able to travel around the school to other lessons and have particularly enjoyed cooking, DT and music. We look forward to the rest of the year where even more will be happening!

Work Experience

Museum class have been on work experience at the New Place Hotel to help them develop essential skills, gain insight into the world of work, and make informed decisions about their future education and career paths. By spending time in a real working environment, pupils have the opportunity to apply what they have learned in school, build confidence, improve communication and teamwork skills, and understand employer expectations. Work experience also helps pupils recognise their strengths and interests, motivating them to set realistic goals and prepare effectively for life beyond school.

Forthcoming events

Monday 17th November- INSET Day
Friday 28th November- Non-school uniform in exchange for toiletry donations.
Thursday 4th December- Non-school uniform in exchange for Christmas food donations.
Friday 5th December- INSET Day

Subject of the week: Outdoor Education

As the autumn term continues, our Outdoor Department has been buzzing with activity and colour! The beautiful seasonal changes have provided the perfect backdrop for plenty of creative projects and outdoor fun.

Our KS3 pupils have been hard at work preparing for the Christmas Market in December. They've been busy crafting handmade wooden decorations, printing festive Christmas cards, and creating unique tree ornaments – all while enjoying the crisp air and the crunch of autumn leaves underfoot. Their enthusiasm and teamwork have made the outdoor area a lively and joyful place to be!

Meanwhile, our KS4 DofE groups have been equally industrious, preparing for a Community Christmas Fair. They've been using natural materials to make stunning wooden reindeer sculptures, and will soon be making Christmas wreaths, and handmade soaps and candles, as well as exploring their creative side through nature photography. Their beautiful photographs will be featured in a local nature calendar, celebrating the landscapes and wildlife around our community.

It's been a wonderful term filled with learning, laughter, and the spirit of the season. We're so proud of our pupils' efforts and can't wait to share their amazing creations with everyone next month.

Children in Need:

On Friday, staff and pupils wore their pyjamas to school to raise money for Children in Need Day. Pupils took part in fun activities including Pudsey's food challenges, a disco and a treasure hunt. We have raised an incredible £175!

Value of the Week: Ambition

We are ambitious; we do our best to be our best.

Cascades: Dexter Fincham for showing ambition to complete his maths tasks and taking pride in what he does.

Castle: Mason Balch for showing great ambition for the future and communicating this in his annual review.

Clarence: Elijah Kelsey for being amazing in maths and completing ten worksheets!

D-Day: Martha Brown for how much more confident she is at trying things independently and being less reliant on friends and staff. Fantastic!

Dockyard: Brandon Channing for realising that taking part in PE is beneficial!

Eastney: Peter Hilderbrando for being excited for his college interview!

Fratton Park: Teddy Smith for pushing himself to improve his reading.

Guildhall: Carter Pentoney for working hard in English and reading lessons to achieve his own goals! Keep going Carter!

Gunwharf: Oscar James-Brewer for working incredibly hard to use his words and has shown wonderful enthusiasm and ambition in his phonics and reading.

Mountbatten: Lily Anyaefiena for coming back to school so positively and trying extremely hard in all her learning.

Museum: Teresa Taylor for starting to take part in more offsite activities!

Nelson: Lily Bell for participating in the choir trip after being apprehensive about going.

Seaside: Rory Cannings for being in class and joining in with all learning. He has been asking his peers questions and supporting others with joining the Art lunchtime club.

Southsea: Max Sykes for working hard in all his lessons and pushing himself to try more complicated work.

Spinnaker: Ocean-Lea Morey for trying hard in every lesson this week and challenging herself in lessons.

Warrior: Bailey Mewes for his Artwork! Taking the initiative to find his own resources and being ambitious enough to take his artwork home.

Wedgewood: Viviana Veres for always putting in 100% effort when completing her work.

Signs of the week: