

**School Mission Statement - "Preparing our children of today for the challenges of tomorrow"**

Dear Parents /Carers



*Half Term - Monday 29th October to Friday 2nd November.*

*school reopens as normal on Monday 5th November. Enjoy your break*



**PARENTPAY** - Starting from Monday 5th November 2018 we will be introducing a more convenient way to pay for future school trips, Breakfast and After School Club and Wraparound Care, using a secure service call Parent Pay. **The system will not currently be used for School meal payment.**

Parent Pay will be live at school on Monday 5th November; from this date we will be working towards no longer accepting cash and cheque payments, making the school a more cash-free environment.

**ParentPay** offers you the freedom to make secure payments online using your credit or debit card whenever and wherever you like, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - safe in the knowledge that the technology used is of the highest internet security available.

You will have a secure online account, activated using a unique username and password; you will be prompted to change these, and to keep them safe and secure. If you have more than one child at our school, or children at other ParentPay schools, you can create a single account login for all your children. Parents who need to continue making payments by cash will need to contact the School Office to request the option of paying via PayPoint, using the PayPoint network at local convenience stores.

We hope you will support us in achieving our goal to become a cashless school. Your support in using ParentPay will help the school enormously, thank you. **You will receive your unique ParentPay Account activation details today.** For further information on ParentPay please visit our school website.

**Parents Evenings** - Thank you to those of you who attended Parents' Evenings this week. I enjoyed meeting with you and hope you found the evening useful in keeping you informed about your child's progress and attitudes towards learning.

**Yr 6 Residential to Astley Burf** - Last week Year 6 visited Astley Burf Outdoor Adventure Centre for a 3 day residential visit. A superb time was had by all. The weather was kind to us and we definitely went outdoors and took part in adventurous activities. On the Thursday we walked on the Malvern Hills trekking up and down the Herefordshire Beacon, enjoying absolutely stunning views. On site we had great fun climbing, abseiling, going on a high ropes course and having a go at archery. A campfire sing-song with hot dogs was also a highlight. On the Friday we were sad that the adventure had to end.



**Anti Bullying/Design a Poster** - As in previous years Red Hall Primary is continuing to raise the children's awareness of bullying by its involvement in activities during National Anti Bullying Week which this year is from Monday 12th to Friday 16th November 2018. One of the activities we are asking the children to take part in is the design of a poster which could be produced using digital technology. The slogan for this year is '**Choose Respect**'. Could children please give their completed poster to their class teacher with their name and class clearly shown on the reverse, by **Friday 16th November**. There will be two prizes given to the most eye catching, imaginative and accurate entries in Early Years, KS1 and KS2.



**Nasal Flu Vaccinations** took place in school yesterday (Thursday 25th October) for children in Reception, Years 1 to 5, if your child missed this vaccination due to illness/absence our school's catch-up clinic is on **Friday 2nd November 2018, at Ladies Walk Clinic, Sedgley between the hours of 10.30am - 11.30am.** A parent or guardian with parental responsibility must accompany the child to the catch-up session.

Please see reverse of this newsletter for more information

**Dates**

**Monday 5th November**  
Gardening After School Club for selected children in Yrs 3 & 4, run by Mr Gleave & Mrs Williams, 3.20pm-4.20pm

**Tuesday 6th November**  
KS2 Choir led by Mrs Simpson, from DPA, 3.15pm-3.45pm

**Wednesday 7th November**  
School Photographs

Five sessions, with Ms Green from DPA, for Yrs 3 & 4 children, 1.15pm

Dance After School Club, Yrs 2-6, run by Ace Coaching Ltd, 3.20pm-4.20pm - Last Session

**Thursday 8th November**  
Away Football Match -v- Straits Primary, run by Mr Collins, 3.45pm kick off

**Friday 9th November**  
4G Swimming

3A visit to Gornal Library, 2.00pm

**Dates for your Diary**  
Term Ends: Friday 21st December 2018

Spring Term Starts:  
Monday 7th January 2019

Half Term: Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February

Term Ends: Friday 12th April

Easter Break: Monday 15th to Friday 26th April

Summer Term Starts:  
Monday 29th April

Whitsun: Monday 27th to Friday 31st May

Term Ends: Monday 22nd July



**Red Hall Primary School** Headteacher: Mrs W Roche. Website: [www.redhall.dudley.sch.uk](http://www.redhall.dudley.sch.uk)  
Tel: School Admin Office - 01384 813850 & 01384 812478 Chair of Governors: Mr Mark Westwood - contact via school office.  
Parent Support Advisor - Mrs Ava Williams (in school Mondays & Tuesdays) School Health Advisor - Ms Susan Barratt (07773 259139)

