

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

Dear Parents /Carers



**Goodbye** - It is with much sadness that we say 'Goodbye' to Mrs Day who has worked at Red Hall Primary for 16 years. I would like to thank her for her commitment to Red Hall and we all wish her every happiness for the future.



With the use of social media, messaging, games and other apps and websites continuing to be very popular amongst children, it is important that parents and carers are fully informed as to the potential issues surrounding them. Parent Zone has made available a number of guides that focus on 'trending' apps and games that pupils are engaging with, which we recommend you spend some time reading. To view them, please visit: <https://parentzone.org.uk/advice/parent-guides>



**Home School Agreement** - At Red Hall we foster a culture where all children are encouraged to achieve to the best of their abilities and strive to become lifelong learners. This can be done most effectively when staff, parents and children understand their responsibilities and work together towards the same goals, as detailed in our Home/School Agreement which you should have received today. Could you please read and sign the Agreement and return it to your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

**Harvest Festival - Food Bank Donations** - Next week children will be told about the role of 'The Black Country Food Bank' and about some of the people who need their help. These may include people from the local community identified through Social Services. As a school we hope to use the impetus of the Harvest Festival to encourage children to donate non-perishable goods to the Food Bank, please see reverse of this newsletter for suggestions for the Food Bank. Donations can be brought into school and given to your child's class teacher from Tuesday 2nd October. All food donated will be Collected on Friday 12th October. Thank you for your support.

**'Harvest Around the World' Art Competition, run by Zoar Church** - Please see reverse of this newsletter for more details.



**Nasal Flu Vaccinations, Reception to Year 5 children** - If you have not already done so could you please return your child's Flu Vaccination form to school by Monday 1st October at the very latest. **Vaccinations will take place in school on Thursday 25th October 2018.** If you change your mind and do not wish your child to have the vaccination please contact the Dudley Vaccination Team on 01902 682674.

**Lateness** - Could I please remind parents that the school bell goes at 8.55 am for KS2 and 8.50 am for Reception and KS1. Children should be seated in the classrooms and ready to start lessons at 9.00 am. Your child will have a late mark if they arrive at school after 9.00 am. We have had an increase in lateness over the past few week. **It is important that children arrive at school on time so that they do not miss valuable learning time and disrupt the prompt start of lessons.**

**Attendance last week**

Each and every day that the school is open for registration pupils are expected to attend school, unless any absence is authorised by the Headteacher.

Attendance last week was 93.13%

Class with highest attendance last week was 3/4F with 96.80%

Whole school attendance from 3rd September 2018 to 21st September 2018 is 94.83%

Last year's school attendance from 3rd September 2017 to 21st September 2017 was 97.28%

Well done to all of these pupils who were praised last week.

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| <b>Koalas</b> - Michael Adeogun        | <b>Lions</b> - Scarlett Rogers |
| <b>Pandas</b> - Justin Lawrence-Hughes | <b>Zebras</b> - Charlie Friend |
| <b>3A</b> - Stanley Ellwood            | <b>3/4F</b> - Deborah Adeogun  |
| <b>5K</b> - Lily Hall                  | <b>5/6L</b> - Keira Russon     |
|  | <b>4G</b> - Sophie O'Toole     |
|  | <b>6W</b> - Joel Bailey        |

If there is anything that I can help you with, please get in touch as soon as possible.

Kind regards

Mrs W Roche, Headteacher

**Monday 1st October**  
Gardening After School Club for selected children in Yrs 3 & 4, run by Mr Gleave & Mrs Williams, 3.20pm-4.20pm

**Multi-Sports After School Club**, Yrs 3-6, run by Mr Collins, 3.20pm-4.20pm

**Tuesday 2nd October**  
3/4F visit to Gornal Library, 2.30pm

**Tag Rugby After School Club**, Yrs 3-6, run by Mr Collins, 3.20pm-4.20pm,

**KS2 Choir** led by Mrs Simpson, from DPA, 3.15pm-3.45pm

**Wednesday 3rd October**  
Yrs 3 & 4 Fife Session with Ms Green, DPA, 1.15pm

**Football After School Club**, Yrs 3-6, run by Mr Collins, 3.20pm-4.20pm

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

**Thursday 4th October**  
Fencing After School Club, Yrs 3-6, run by Ace Coaching Ltd, 3.20pm-4.20pm

**Friday 5th October**  
Koalas & Lions classes visiting Dudley Fire Station, leaving at 9.15am, return 11.00pm

4G Swimming

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**  
Yr 6 Astley Burf Residential - 17th-19th October

Parents Evenings - Wednesday 24th October, 3.30pm-5.30pm and Thursday 25th October, 5.00pm-7.00pm

Half Term: Monday 29th October 2018 to Friday 2 November 2018

School Photographs - Wednesday 7th November

Term Ends: Friday 21st December 2018

Spring Term Starts: Monday 7th January 2019

Half Term: Monday 18th February 2019 to Friday 22nd February 2019

Term Ends: Friday 12th April 2019

Easter Break: Monday 15th to Friday 26th April 2019

Summer Term Starts: Monday 29th April 2019

Whitsun: Monday 27th to Friday 31st May 2019

Term Ends: Monday 22nd July 2019

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