



# Red Hall Primary School Newsletter

18<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week all the children have been learning about bullying and how at Red Hall we are united against bullying. I am proud to introduce our new Anti-bullying Ambassadors who will soon be completing their training provided by the Diana Award. They all had to write a letter of application and then have an interview. Congratulations to them all!



COMPETITION: Children are to create a poster on the theme of **“United Against Bullying”**.

CLOSING DATE: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Entries to be handed to class teacher or emailed to [info@redhall.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:info@redhall.dudley.sch.uk)



**Odd Sock Day Friday 20<sup>th</sup> to celebrate we are all unique. No charge for this.**

Thank you so much for all your contributions. We were amazed by the response. School Council handed it over to our local foodbank. We will update you with the weight of it all.

**BLACK COUNTRY  
FOODBANK**  
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## Staying alert remains critical. Coronavirus hasn't gone away.

At Red Hall Primary School we ask for your support by:

- Arriving at your allocated time for collection and NOT earlier
- Keeping your distance whilst lining up and waiting
- Ensuring your child/ren stay with you once you have collected them
- Wear a face covering whilst on school premises to protect yourselves and others.
- Adhere to the one-way systems.
- Leaving the site promptly after dropping off and collecting.
- Conversations with staff members to be done via telephone or email.

### Communication



ParentHub is the FREE app that we are using to send messages out to you:

1. Download the ParentHub app from your app store.
2. Create yourself an account
3. Add a school and enter @RedHallPrimary

### Website

This is regularly updated with letters, information and how you can help support your child/ren with learning at home.

### Email

General enquiries:  
[info@redhall.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:info@redhall.dudley.sch.uk)

### Telephone:

01384 813850



We are pleased to let you know that the 10,000 steps a day challenge has been completed by staff. Thank you if you donated. We raised £668 but with Gift Aid on top this went up to **£1113**. If you would like to make a donation please go to:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/redhallprimary>

These are the emails for contacting class teachers:

[Year5\\_6@redhall.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:Year5_6@redhall.dudley.sch.uk)

[Year3\\_4@redhall.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:Year3_4@redhall.dudley.sch.uk)

[Year2@redhall.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:Year2@redhall.dudley.sch.uk)

[Year1@redhall.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:Year1@redhall.dudley.sch.uk)

[Reception@redhall.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:Reception@redhall.dudley.sch.uk)

[Nursery@redhall.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:Nursery@redhall.dudley.sch.uk)

## **Vouchers for over Christmas Holiday Period**

You may have seen the news over the weekend that the government is extending its support for families over school holidays (<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-54841316>)

We would like to help direct the support to where it is needed by ensuring any family entitled to free school meals is receiving them before the Christmas holidays begin.

This is not the same as 'Universal Infant Free School Meals' which automatically provides a free school lunch for children in Years 1 & 2 and Reception only when they are in school.

If you get any of the following support payments your child may be entitled to receive free school meals:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit Run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit
- Children who receive a qualifying benefit in their own right are also allowed to receive free school meals.

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals and therefore further support in the school holidays, please consider making a claim using the form at this link:

<https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/benefits/free-school-meals/>

## **TERM DATES:**

- 2pm Friday December 18<sup>th</sup> Break up for Christmas Holidays
- Friday December 18<sup>th</sup> Christmas Jumper Day on £1 donation suggested via Parent Pay for Save the Children
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021 - Children return to school –Nursery return letter will follow due to new intake beginning.
- Tuesday 2nd + Wednesday 3rd February – Parents Evening
- Friday 12th February – Break up for half-term
- Monday 22nd February – Children back to school
- Thursday 4th March – World Book Day
- Thursday 1st April Break up for Easter at 2pm



Children at Red Hall had a super day on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November. We all learnt a dance which will soon be revealed on the website. We will let you know when this is ready to view. We raised £77. Please do make your contribution via ParentPay. We will not be sending a cheque until the end of November.



### Crossing Patrol Update

I am pleased to let you know that a new crossing patrol will begin week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Thank you to parents who had raised this concern as this helped to secure this positive outcome. There will be line markings painted on the footpath to indicate where you must stand behind prior to being asked to cross.

### Ventilation

In line with our risk assessment plan we are keeping windows and classroom doors open. This is because guidance states that there is the need for a fresh flow of air in classrooms and air that is able to circulate. With colder weather coming children need to have their cardigans and jumpers in school. The number of windows left open will be adjusted as the weather becomes colder. If you have any concerns about this please don't hesitate to get in touch.

### Reading books

Reading books need to be returned to school on a **Friday**. They will be placed into our book hospital before they are returned to the school library stock. Reading books will be sent home on a **Monday**.

We are using a range of online reading tools as well. Your child will have brought their log-in details home with them. If they mislay them please email the year group email so the class teacher can send them to you again.

BugClub: [activelearnprimary.co.uk](http://activelearnprimary.co.uk)

Oxford Owl: [oxfordowl.co.uk](http://oxfordowl.co.uk)

Get Epic: [www.getepic.com](http://www.getepic.com)

ReadTheory: [readtheory.org](http://readtheory.org)



**To help us to return items to the correct child please ensure that all items are labelled. There is no central lost property box now so items that are lost will likely be within the classroom.**