



Parent Update Meeting

YEAR 5

Meet the Team

Miss Rolinson and Miss Howe – Year 5 teachers

Miss Carty and Mrs Aubrey – HLTA

Mrs Lewis – Key Stage 2 lead

- ▶ To contact us please phone school or email info@redhall.dudley.sch.uk
- ▶ Alternate email: Year5_6@redhall.dudley.sch.uk



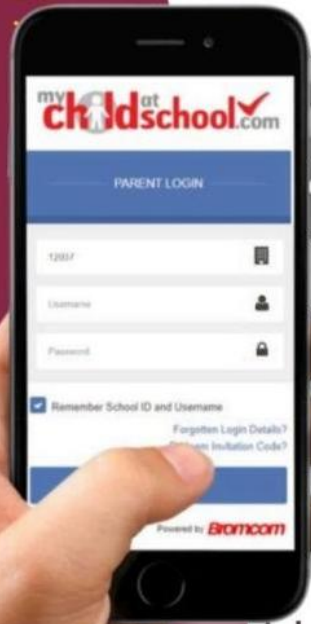


Have you downloaded the MCAS App?

Red Hall Primary School is using MyChildAtSchool to communicate with Parents/Carers.

The app allows you to have access to key information straight to their SMART phone. SEARCH Apple App Store or Play Store for "My Child At School"

- Securely login with biometric support.
- Instant access to daily and "Year to Date" attendance.
- Pay for trips.
- School announcements tailored to your child.
- School communication to your phone
- Book breakfast and after school club.
- Top up school dinner balances.
- Book progress meetings.



MyChildAtSchool App

- Have you created your account yet?
- Have your contact details changed?
- Do you need to update emergency contact?
- Mobile phone numbers?
- Change of address?
- Consent to be updated?

You can update these all on the MCAS app.



Birthday celebrations

We would like to help celebrate when it is your child's birthday. From September when it is your child's birthday, they will be able to come to school in their own clothes. If your child happens to have a birthday on a weekend they can decide whether they would like to come to school on the Friday or the Monday in their own clothes. If it happens that their birthday is over a holiday period, they can decide whether to wear their own clothes before we break up or when we return.

School Dinners

- If your child has a school dinner every day, please order for the week through the M.C.A.S. app.



ENGLISH SCHOOL FOOD STANDARDS

KEY POINTS FOR HEALTHY SCHOOL MEALS



1. EAT MORE FRUIT & VEGETABLES

- At least 1 portion of vegetables or salad with every meal
- At least 1 portion of fruit every day
- At least 3 different types of fruit and 3 different types of vegetables every week



6. HEALTHY DRINKS ONLY

- Fresh drinking water must be available at all times
- Limit fruit juice (max 150ml portion)
- No fizzy or energy drinks



2. INCLUDE WHOLEGRAINS & STARCHY FOODS

- Bread, rice, pasta, or potatoes served regularly
- Wholegrain options should be available
- Starchy food should not be cooked in fat or oil excessively



7. DESSERTS AND TREATS IN MODERATION

- One or more portions of fruit available daily
- A dessert containing at least 50% fruit to be served at least twice per week



3. PROVIDE A GOOD SOURCE OF PROTEIN EVERY DAY

Choose from:

- Meat, fish, eggs
- Beans, pulses, and lentils (plant-based options)
- Oily fish at least once every 3 weeks



8. BALANCE AND VARIETY

- Menus should be nutritionally balanced across the week
- Promote healthy choices and portion control



4. DAIRY FOR STRONG BONES

- A portion of dairy to be available every day - this could be in the form of cheese, milk or yoghurt
- Supports calcium intake for growth



WHY IT MATTERS

- SUPPORTS CHILDREN'S GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT
- IMPROVES CONCENTRATION AND LEARNING
- ENCOURAGES LIFELONG HEALTHY EATING HABITS



5. LIMIT FOODS HIGH IN FAT, SUGAR & SALT

- Up to 2 portions of deep-fried food each week
- No sugary drinks
- Sweet treats and high-sugar snacks kept to a minimum

At Shire Services, we bring these standards to life with fresh meats, varied menus, and engaging food experiences in your school.



For more information, scan QR code

For more information, please visit:
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 Shropshire Food Enterprise Centre,
 Vanguard Way, Shrewsbury SY1 3TG

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SAMMY SWEETCORN'S BEST OF BRITISH

THEME DAYS

SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER 2026



SEPTEMBER

LOVE BRITISH FOOD FORTNIGHT

26 SEPTEMBER - 12 OCTOBER

Where our food comes from



SEPTEMBER

Sammy's Snacktember

Healthy Snack Tasting Specials!

OCTOBER

100 YEARS OF WINNIE-THE-POOH

Celebration Menu



OCTOBER

1 OCTOBER CENSUS DAY

Sammy's Special Box Meal

OCTOBER

31 OCTOBER HALLOWE'EN

Spooks & Jelly Menu

P.S. - Guess how many pumpkin seeds are in the jar for our GUESS competition!



NOVEMBER

5 NOVEMBER BONFIRE NIGHT

Sparkling Menu

NOVEMBER

10-14 NOVEMBER NATIONAL SCHOOL MEALS WEEK

NOVEMBER

11 NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE DAY

Celebration Poppy Cakes

DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS DINNER TIME

Sammy's Favourite!

SHIRE | FRESH
services | dining!

www.shireservices.co.uk

Food Allergies & Intolerances
Before ordering, please speak to our staff about your requirements

Allergy update:

Benedicts Law September 2026

What the New Law Means for Schools

From September 2026, schools are expected to implement and maintain these requirements annually across all maintained and academy schools in England:

1. Whole-School Allergy Policy

Develop and publish whole-school allergy policies. Note – allergy policy is not medical conditions policy, and it will need to be displayed on the school website.

2. Staff Training

Ensure comprehensive allergy awareness and emergency response training for *all* staff (including caretakers, mini-bus drivers, lunchtime supervisors, etc).

3. Emergency Medication

Hold spare in-date adrenaline devices (AAs) on site. Note – they are not a second set of devices prescribed for an individual child, they can be used on any child or adult experiencing anaphylaxis.

4. Individual Care Plans

Implement individual healthcare and action plans for pupils with serious allergies (including food, animal and venom allergies).



NO NUTS!



www.thrivingwithallergies.blogspot.com



Curriculum Overview



Our curriculum drivers...

Connecting to the wider world

Language rich

Aspirational

Develops resilience

Curriculum Overview



- ▶ History, Geography, Art, DT, Computing and Science will be blocked

Some of our topics that we will be covering: Earth and Space, Rivers, Maya, Western America, Anglo Saxons and Vikings, Trees and plants in our local ecosystem

Curriculum Newsletters will be sent out on a termly basis. These will provide information about the wider curriculum.

The school website provides further detailed information on the children's section:

[Red Hall Primary School - Home](#)

P.E. Days

- ▶ Year 5 have P.E. on Thursdays
- ▶ Pupils come to school in their P.E. kit. Please ensure children are in plain P.E. clothes without logos.
- ▶ P.E. uniform is plain black or navy joggers or shorts. T-shirt to match house colour:
- ▶ Brindley: Blue
- ▶ Shaftesbury: Yellow
- ▶ Davy: Red
- ▶ Stephenson: Green
- ▶ Please take out earrings and no jewellery to be worn on P.E. days.



Flu Vaccinations

- ▶ These are due to take place on 8th October 2026.
- ▶ This is a nasal spray.
- ▶ This is for children from Reception to Year 6
- ▶ This year you will receive an E-consent link, reminders and text messages directly from Vaccination UK. Please respond to this and complete the consent as per your wishes.



Mobile phones

- ▶ At Red Hall Primary School mobile phones may be brought to school by Year 6 pupils if they are walking to school independently or part of the way independently. This is to support their transition to Secondary School.
- ▶ Staff will collect mobile phones on arrival at the school gates on the KS2 site.
- ▶ Mobile phones will be placed in individual pouches and placed in a secure location.
- ▶ At the end of the school day children will be able to collect their mobile phone from a staff member on the school playground
- ▶ The school reserves the right to support pupils with specific medical conditions and needs that means that they may need a mobile or smart device.
- ▶ The school reserves the right to extend the ability to bring mobile devices into school from other year groups on a case-by-case basis where there are exceptional circumstances.



Red Hall Primary School

Mobile phone policy

Approved by:	School Improvement Governors	Date:	September 2026
Last reviewed on:	New policy		
Next review due by:	September 2028		

ICT and acceptable use policy

- ▶ Set guidelines and rules on the use of school ICT resources for staff, pupils, parents/carers and governors
- ▶ Establish clear expectations for the way all members of the school community engage with each other online
- ▶ Support the school's policies on data protection, online safety and safeguarding
- ▶ Prevent disruption that could occur to the school through the misuse, or attempted misuse, of ICT systems
- ▶ Support the school in teaching pupils safe and effective internet and ICT use



Red Hall Primary School ICT and internet acceptable use policy

Approved by:	School Improvement Governors	Date: September 2026
Last reviewed on:	New policy	
Next review due by:	September 2028	



Acceptable use of the school's ICT facilities and internet: KS2 Pupil Acceptable Use Agreement

Name of pupil:

Keeping Safe Online

- The school will check how I use devices and the internet to keep everyone safe
- I will keep my usernames and passwords private and tell a trusted adult if someone else knows them.
- I will be careful when talking to people online and will only talk to people I know and trust.
- I will not share personal information like my name, address, or photos without asking a trusted adult.
- I will only take or share images of myself, or others, when fully dressed.
- If I see or hear something online that worries or upsets me, I will tell a trusted adult straight away.
- I will only meet people I have spoken to online if a trusted adult is with me.

Using Computers and the Internet Sensibly

- I will only use devices, apps and sites that I am allowed to, and will check if I am unsure.
- I will always ask permission and check with a trusted adult before using someone else's work or pictures.
- I will make sure the information I find online is true by checking carefully.
- I will only use apps or tools, like AI, that my teacher has said are OK, and I will ask for help if I'm unsure.
- I will not copy or use music, videos, or games unless I have permission.
- I will tell a trusted adult about any damage to devices or if anything else goes wrong.
- I will check with trusted adults before clicking on any unexpected messages or links (even if these look as though they are from people that I already know).

Being Respectful and Responsible

- I will treat others kindly online, just as I do in real life.
- I will make good choices about what I share online to protect myself and others.
- I will spend a healthy amount of time using devices and make time for other activities too.
- I will always think about how my behaviour online could affect me, my friends, and my school.

Signed (pupil):

Date:

Parent/carer agreement: I agree that my child can use the school's ICT systems and internet when appropriately supervised by a member of school staff. I agree to the conditions set out above for pupils using the school's ICT systems and internet, and for using personal electronic devices in school, and will make sure my child understands these.

Signed (parent/carer):

Date:



Acceptable use of the internet: agreement for parents and carers

Name of parent/carer:

Name of child:

Online channels are an important way for parents/carers to communicate with, or about, our school.

The school uses the following channels:

- Our official Facebook page
- Email/text groups for parents for school announcements and information
- ~~MyChildAtSchoolApp~~ (MCAS) for school announcements and information

Parents/carers also set up independent channels to help them stay on top of what's happening in their child's class. For example, email groups, or chats (through apps such as WhatsApp).

When communicating with the school via official communication channels, or using private/independent channels to talk about the school, I will:

- Be respectful towards members of staff, and the school, at all times
- Be respectful of other parents/carers and children
- Direct any complaints or concerns through the school's official channels, so they can be dealt with in line with the school's complaints procedure

I will not:

- Use private groups, the school's Facebook page, or personal social media to complain about or criticise members of staff. This is not constructive and the school can't improve or address unless they are raised in an appropriate way
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- Upload or share photos or videos on social media of any child other than my own, unless I have permission of the other children's parents/carers

Signed:

Date:



Acceptable use of the school's ICT facilities and internet: KS1 and EYFS Pupil Acceptable Use Agreement

Name of pupil:

To stay SAFE online and on my devices I know my teacher will watch what I do.

1. I only USE devices or apps, sites or games if a trusted adult says so
2. I ASK for help if I'm stuck or not sure and keep passwords safe
3. I TELL a trusted adult if I'm upset, worried, scared or confused
4. If I think something is WRONG, I talk to an adult
5. I look out for my FRIENDS and tell someone if they need help
6. I KNOW people online aren't always who they say they are
7. Anything I do online can be shared and might stay online FOREVER
8. I don't keep SECRETS or do DARES AND CHALLENGES just because someone tells me I have to
9. I always check before SHARING personal information
10. I am KIND and polite to everyone
11. I take breaks from screens and do other FUN things too

If I forget the rules, my teacher will help me learn to make better choices next time.

My trusted adults are: At home: _____

At school: _____

Signed (pupil):

Date:

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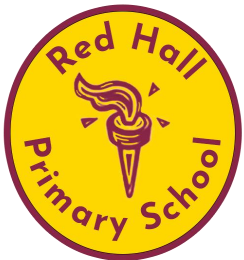
Visits/Theme Days

- ▶ Residential – October 2026!
- ▶ We have organised a trip to Himley in July 2027 – more details will be given closer to the time.
- ▶ Anglo-Saxon and Viking theme day in March 2027 – children are able to dress up. More details will be given closer to the time.

Attendance

- ▶ The school gates open at: KS2: 8.50am
- ▶ Registration is KS2: 9:00am
- ▶ Being punctual is really important. In the morning children have learning right from the start of the day. Important messages are often given first thing. Being late impacts friendships, learning and how your child settles for the rest of the day. There is nothing worse for a child that entering the classroom late.
- ▶ 100% attendance is rewarded with entry to the raffle. Every week they come to school on time and for the full week they receive a raffle ticket.
- ▶ You will be notified if your child is invited to any attendance events
- ▶ Attendance will be affected by late arrivals and medical appointments
- ▶ Mrs Pick, our attendance officer, should be contacted regarding all absences





As of 17.7.25	2022_23	2023_4	2024_25	2025_26
Whole school attendance	92.42% with Rec 92.82% no Rec	91.7% with Rec 94.1% no Rec	92.84% with Rec 92.71% no Rec	93.5% with Rec 93.3% no Rec (+0.59)
National attendance	94%	92.9%	93.2%	93.14% 94.74% primary
Red Hall Persistent absence	27.5% with Rec 24.21% no Rec	25.41% with Rec 24.05% no Rec	17.6% with Rec 18.13% no Rec	17.7% with Rec 20.4% no Rec (+2.27)
National Persistent absence	22%	20.2%	18.4%	18.66%
National Persistent absence primary	17.2%	15.1%	13.6%	13.79%

Attendance data

Red Hall's Persistent absence is in the top 10% of schools nationally as being the **worst**.

We need to work on this together.

If children aren't in school, they are missing out. It has increased from last year. This means that more children are missing out more than 10% of their education.

Attendance steps: 2nd year of new arrangements

Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are changing from:



19th August 2024

Per parent/per child:

All attendance fines are issued to each parent and for every child

Penalty notices will be considered in the following time frames:

- 5 consecutive days in term time
- 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period (1 session = $\frac{1}{2}$ a school day)

You can be fined if your child has the following unauthorised absences:

- Being late after registers have closed
- Taking a holiday without permission from the school
- If the Head teacher isn't satisfied for the reason for missing school

Over a rolling 3-year period (from 19th August 2024) the sanctions are:

- 1st offence: £160 (reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days)
- 2nd offence: £160
- 3rd offence: Court hearing and up to £2,500 fine or up to 3 months custodial sentence and criminal record.



Routines

- ▶ Reading books and planners need to be in school every day.
- ▶ Please sign your child's planner each week to confirm they are reading at home. You can also use the planner to send in any messages.
- ▶ School policy is for the children to have healthy snacks if they eat at breaktime. Water bottles should be brought into school daily.



Routines

- ▶ Weekly homework in English or Maths. This will come home on a Friday and needs to be back in school by the following Wednesday morning. If it is not brought back, the children will be staying in for part of their lunchtime to complete it.
- ▶ Handwriting policy can be found on the website. Y5 use blue pen in all subjects apart from Maths.
- ▶ Handwriting and spelling is often the barrier to teachers awarding 'at expected' in writing at the end of the year. As a result, we have high expectations and some children will be asked to practise regularly.
- ▶ Spelling is taught and assessed through the teaching of our writing units.



End of day arrangements

- ▶ In Year 5, children can walk home IF their adult says that they can. We have to be told about this. Ideally, this should be communicated with ourselves as the office staff are really busy.
- ▶ If we need to speak to you at the end of the day, we will come and let you know or your child may tell you.
- ▶ If a child arrives under the age of 16 to collect, we will need to have adult permission
- ▶ Late collections: children will be taken to Sparklers Wrap around and will be charged



Come and join us at Sparklers Wraparound!

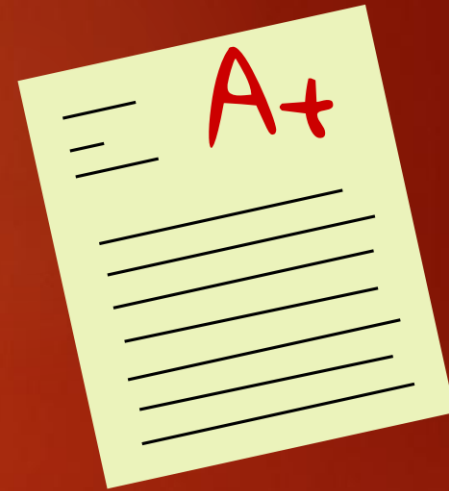


We offer Breakfast and After School Club
every weekday (term time only)
Sessions are Breakfast Club- £5
After School Club- £7.50.
Sessions include a meal and pudding.
Each week we have a different
themes for activities and games.



Statutory Assessments

- ▶ In Year 5, children will take part in assessment in each term of school.
- ▶ SATS tests in Reading, Maths and Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar take place in Year 6



Websites to help with learning

- ▶ TTRS
- ▶ BBC Bitesize
- ▶ Number Rocks – Youtube
- ▶ Apps like 6 numbers are great for fluency.



Writing

- ▶ Writing is teacher assessed.
- ▶ An example of writing at the expected standard is available for you to take away today.



Pupil Premium

Your child may also qualify if:

You receive **income-related Employment and Support Allowance**

You receive the **guaranteed element of Pension Credit** you are part of a specific group with **No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF)**

Children that attend Dudley-maintained **nursery classes both before and after lunchtime** may also be **eligible** for income-related free school meals.

Free school meals | Dudley Council



Free School Meals are Changing



From September 2026, more children will be able to receive a free meal at school. This is because free school meal eligibility is expanding to include children from households receiving Universal Credit.

Please complete an application if any of these apply to you.

1. Your household receives Universal Credit
2. Your household receives another qualifying benefit.
3. Your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and already receives a free meal, but your household receives Universal Credit or another qualifying benefit.

Eligibility is not automatic – parents and carers must apply!

APPLY HERE: [HTTPS://WWW.DUDLEY.GOV.UK/RESIDENTS/BENEFITS/FREE-SCHOOL-MEALS/](https://www.dudley.gov.uk/residents/benefits/free-school-meals/)



Red Hall Primary School - Home

- ▶ [Red Hall Primary School - Calendar](#)
- ▶ This is kept updated with events as they change through the year



Facebook page:

Every Sunday reminder of
weekly events.

Share a thought...



Red Hall Primary School

902 followers • 1 following

Red Hall Primary School is an exciting and welcoming learning community with high expectations of achievement and success for all its pupils in a caring and supportive environment. The child centred ethos of this school provides a wide range of opportunities for all.

Primary school

Professional dashboard

Edit profile

Advertisements

Edit cover photo

Uniform

All items of clothing should be clearly **labelled** with your child's name.

Uniform does not have to have the school logo on it.

- ▶ Burgundy cardigans/jumpers/sweatshirts
- ▶ Grey skirt/pinafore/trousers
- ▶ White shirt/polo top
- ▶ White/black/grey socks or tights

Optional Summer uniform:

- ▶ Pink/red Summer dress
- ▶ Grey shorts
- ▶ Flat white/black sandals
(toes to be covered)



Uniform

- ▶ A polite reminder that false nails and coloured hair are not appropriate at primary school.
- ▶ We appreciate your support in ensuring your children have everything they need to be prepared for school.





Any questions?





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Classroom; Recreation Rooms;
Staff Cabin; Children's Cabins



Children's Accommodation



Children's Accommodation



Staff Day Cabin



Recreation Room



Activities onsite





Arrive at school

- ▶ Wednesday 21st October at 8:50am
- ▶ Adults can come into the hall with the children
- ▶ We will leave at 9:30am
- ▶ Please give spending money to an adult (maximum £5). This needs to be in a named envelope/purse/wallet
- ▶ Snacks – these are allowed BUT we do have children with allergies coming so it is essential that we do not have anything with nuts. All snacks **MUST** be shown to an adult. (please put snacks in a separate bag to make this easier!) These cannot be shared with other children.

Activities at Astley Burf

- Arrive, unpack, make beds and have a tour of the site
- Go for a walk
- Wall climbing
- High ropes
- Archery
- Team building
- Orienteering
- Camp fire
- Red Hall's got talent!

Coming home

- ▶ Friday 23rd October
- ▶ We will leave Astley Burf at 1pm and hope to be back by 2pm
- ▶ Children can go straight home (with an adult)
- ▶ Siblings have to stay in school





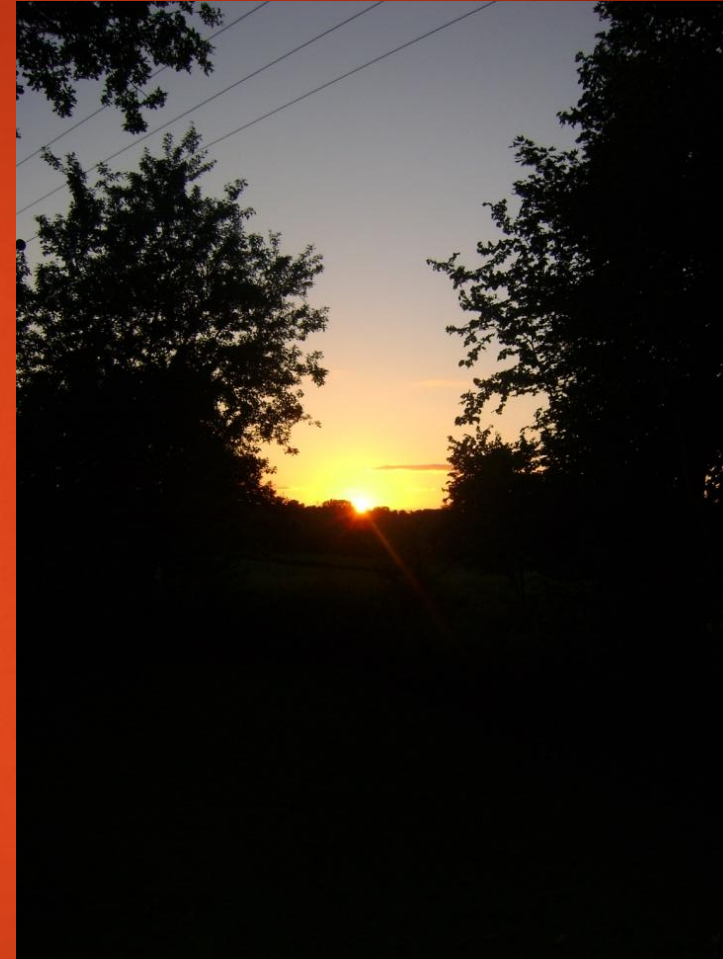


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SUGGESTED CLOTHING LIST

It is a good idea for students to pack their own bags as it makes it easier to get everything back on the last day!

Please ensure that ALL items are clearly labelled.

Sleeping bag

Night Attire

Wash Kit

Towel x 1

Cagoule or waterproof jacket

T shirts

Sweater x 2

Warm fleece or jumper

Trousers and shorts

Socks and underwear

Trainers or pumps

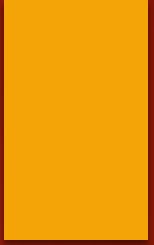
Sensible walking shoes (wellies)

Sun protection cream

Hat

Water bottle for drinks

Carrier bag for dirty washing



Please ensure all payment has been made. If there are any issues, please speak to Mrs Topple.