



Newsletter No.1 - September 2023

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Welcome back to you all! We hope that you have had a wonderful break. Children have come back to school with such fantastic learning attitudes and all staff have been really impressed with the positive impressions that your children have made in their first week.

I am delighted to share with you our new Attendance Rewards that children have had explained to them in assembly this week. We will continue with announcing the top class each week, with children collecting a raffle ticket if they have been to school each week and placing in the display. This will be drawn each half-term. The more tickets a child receives, the greater the chance they have of winning. We draw a ticket for each Phase (Early Years, KS1 and KS2). In addition to this, we will be hosting five special attendance Reward events throughout the year. Only children who have achieved 97% attendance or above will be invited to these events that will be hosted after school. Each half term there will be a fresh chance to have success with achieving an invite. The first date for this is 9th November. We will also be giving out Attendance award badges for each term (Autumn, Spring and Summer) for children who have achieved 97% attendance or above.

Improving attendance continues to be a key focus for Red Hall Primary School. This is shown by the difference in our data and National data for attendance.

Red Hall Attendance	National Primary School attendance
92%	94%
Red Hall Persistent Absence	National Primary Persistent Absence
24.2%	17.2%

A child is classed as being persistently absent if they miss 10% or more of their possible sessions. We will continue to update you how attendance is improving. We will want to work with you if your child's attendance last year was in the Persistent Absence category.

If you would like any further clarification about this, please don't hesitate to speak with one of the staff team members who will be happy to support you.

Within this newsletter are the key dates for this half-term. You can find dates for the rest of the year on the school website under the calendar section: [Red Hall Primary School - Calendar](#) We hope many of you will be able to attend the Welcome meetings that are scheduled over the next few weeks. This meeting will help you to understand how you will best be able to support your child as well as key events that are taking place for your child.

We look forward to our partnership working over the coming year and the adventures that are ahead for your child. Mrs Tomlinson - Head teacher

New staff member:

Welcome Miss Smith, our new Y3 teacher! We hope that you settle in at Red Hall Primary School.

Congratulations Mrs Martin (nee Miss Harris) on your wedding over the holidays!

These are the emails for contacting class teachers:

Year5_6@redhall.dudley.sch.uk

Year3_4@redhall.dudley.sch.uk

Year2@redhall.dudley.sch.uk

Year1@redhall.dudley.sch.uk

Reception@redhall.dudley.sch.uk

Nursery@redhall.dudley.sch.uk

TERM DATES	
Nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Weds 20th Sept: Welcome meeting 11am or 2.30pm ○ Fri 1st Dec: Adventure Street visit with parent/carers ○ Tues 5th/12th/19th Dec – Nursery craft sessions ○ Weds 6th Dec: Nursery singalong 11am or 2.30pm
Reception	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Weds 20th Sept: Welcome meeting 9am ○ Weds 29th Nov: Reception parent share event – make an Advent calendar. ○ Weds 6th Dec: Nativity 9.15am or 2.45pm@ school
Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Monday 11th Sept: Fruit tasting ○ Tues 12th Sept: Welcome meeting 9am ○ Mon 6th Nov: Bonfire event (more details to follow) ○ Thurs 14th Dec: Visit to Snow Dome ○ Mon 18th Dec: KS1 Nativity @ Zoar Church ○ Weds 20th Dec: Y1 Polar Express Day and Bedtime stories
Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mon 18th Sept: Welcome meeting 2.30pm ○ Fri 6th Oct: Visit to Guru Nanak temple in Smethwick <i>TBC</i> ○ Mon 18th Dec: KS1 Nativity @ Zoar Church
Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fri 15th Sept: Welcome meeting 2.30pm ○ Mon 4th Dec: Stone Age Day ○ Thurs 14th Dec: KS2 Carol concert@Zoar Church
Year 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Thurs 14th Sept: Welcome meeting 2.30pm ○ Mon 2nd Oct: Y4 Poetry event at 2.45pm. Parent/carers invited ○ 1st Dec: Y4 Viking Day ○ Thurs 14th Dec: KS2 Carol concert@Zoar Church
Year 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mon 18th Sept: Welcome meeting 3.30pm ○ Weds 25-27 Oct: Astley Burf Residential ○ Thurs 14th Dec: KS2 Carol concert@Zoar Church ○ Fri 15th Dec: Victorian Day
Year 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Tues 12th Sept: Welcome meeting 3.30pm ○ Tues 17th Oct: Y6 Road Safety training ○ Fri 8th Dec: Greek Day ○ Thurs 14th Dec: KS2 Carol concert@Zoar Church
Whole School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Friday 29th Sept: Macmillan Coffee Morning run by School Council 9.15 – 11am ○ Tues 10th Oct: Mental Health Awareness Day ○ Thursday 12th Oct: Pep the poet visit at school ○ Tuesday 17th Oct: Individual photos ○ Thurs 19th Oct: Harvest Festival at Zoar Church – just for Y1 -Y6 children ○ Fri 27th Oct: Children finish for half-term ○ Mon 6th Nov: Children return to school ○ Thurs 9th Nov: 1st Attendance Reward event ○ Mon 13th Nov: Odd Sock Day for Anti-bullying week ○ Fri 17th Nov: Children in Need Day ○ Tues 21st and Weds 22nd Progress Meeting evenings ○ Tues 28th Nov: Flu vaccination catch up programme ○ Fri 22nd Dec: Children finish for Christmas @ 2pm ○ Fri 22nd Dec: Wear your Christmas Jumper to school ○ Mon 8th Jan: INSET day ○ Tues 9th Jan: Children return to school
<p><i>NB: Calendar dates for the year can be viewed on the website link: Red Hall Primary School - Calendar</i> <i>Weekly reminders are sent out via SchoolLife App and our Facebook page</i></p>	



No dogs allowed
in the school
grounds

A polite reminder:

Dogs are not permitted on the school premises. This includes if they are being held and carried. Anyone bringing a dog onto site will be asked to come off the school premises. Thank you so much for your assistance and understanding with this.



Online payments

Parent Pay is the way in which we ask for payments for a whole host of things. This includes lunches and trips. If you are having trouble setting up your account or checking the balance, please don't hesitate to ask one of the friendly office staff to help.



We are a **smoke and vape free space**. This includes when you are waiting to come onto the school playgrounds and when you are waiting on the car park.



School Life App: this is our communication tool

Click on the link for further instructions: <https://www.sch.life/help-for-parents>

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Our **school values** spell out the word **CREATE**. Every Friday we hold a Praise Assembly, and we choose a child from each class who has demonstrated one of our values. They are **Caring, Respect, Equality, Aspire. Trust and Enjoyment**. We hope that parent and carers also model these values to their own children as well as to the school community. We have had reported to us use of bad language which our youngest children have heard. We would ask that you think carefully about the language you model to your own and other children.

Are your contact arrangements up-to-date?

If you have moved house, changed mobile number or your personal circumstances have changed for Emergency contacts please can you update your details at the school office or email info@redhall.dudley.sch.uk

NUT FREE SCHOOL: We do not permit nuts of any kind on school premises due to some of our children having severe and potentially life-threatening nut allergies. Please do not send in any break snack food or lunchbox items that list any kind of NUT in their ingredients, this includes Nutella and Kinder Bueno products (and other similar own supermarket brands) We would ask that you please check ingredients for hidden nuts or nut derivatives. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

PE days:

Monday: Y6R

Tuesday: Y1 and Y5

Wednesday: Reception and Y6L

Thursday: Y4 and Y4 swimming + Y2

Friday: Y3



Classes for 2023_2024

Nursery: Mrs Horton, Mrs Cooper, Mrs Lewis, Miss Brittle and Mrs Blackwell

Reception: Miss Hall/Mrs Williams, Miss Moulton, Mrs Pinson, Mrs Aubrey, Mrs Sidaway, Mrs Teitge, Mrs Cartwright

Year 1: Miss Caddick, Mrs Jones, Miss Scarratt, Mrs Brzesinska

Year 2: Mrs Ashworth, Mr Gleave, Mrs Beddows, Mrs Shinton

Year 3: Miss Smith, Miss Deacon, Miss Harris

Year 4: Miss Maney, Miss Hughes, Miss Carty

Year 5: Miss Rolinson, Mrs Martin

Year 6: Mrs Lewis, Miss Richards, Mrs Woodberry

P.E. lead – Mr Collins

SENDCo: Mrs Darby

Deputy Head: Mrs Shaw

Deputy Safeguarding Leads: Mrs Shaw and Mr Esson

Safeguarding Leads: Mrs Tomlinson

Wraparound Care- Manager Lindsay Westwood

At Wraparound Care we offer a wide range of toys and activities for children to do, from movie nights, playing outside, baking and bingo, so many things to do! We have a lot of toys, including Lego and board games to play with your friends and calm place to relax. To book a place please go to the **School Life App** and collect a **contract** from the office which will need to be completed before your child can join us.

- Breakfast Club (breakfast included) From 7:30am to the start of school: £4.65.
- After School Club (a light snack is provided)
- Up to 4:30pm: £4.00 Up to 5:45pm: £7.50.

We look forward to seeing you!