



**Newsletter May 2025**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

**Attendance update:** We continue to monitor carefully the attendance of all year groups. We wish to remind families of the **NEW** attendance rules that are statutory and that **ALL** schools must follow. For those children in Year 6 their attendance this year, will be carried into their new schools and continue to have an impact should it be that they are falling into a category of concern.

We want to see every child in school, learning and reaching their full potential. The responsibility lies with parents that their child comes to school.

	September to April 2024	September to April 2025
Year 1 to Year 6	92.6% National figure: 94.6%	92.5% National figure: 94.7%
Reception to Year 6	92.1%	92.2%
Persistently absent from school (missing at least 10% of school or 1 day every fortnight)	23% National figure: 22%	20% National figure: 20.3%



## Attendance Matters -Every Day Counts

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 = 1/2 a school day)

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

- Being late after the register has closed
- Truancy
- Taking a holiday without permission from the school
- If the Headteacher isn't satisfied for the reason for  
missing school

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

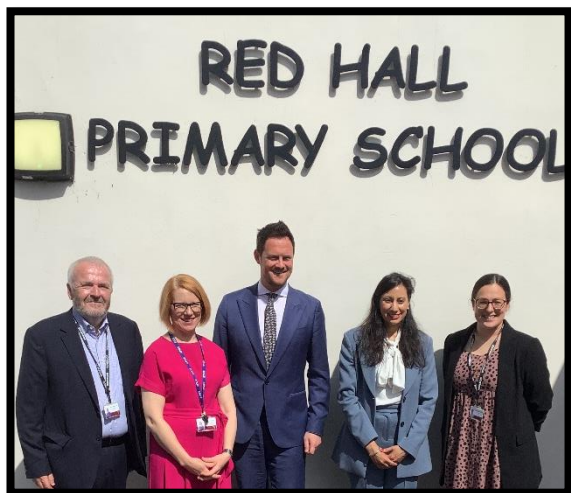
- 1st offence - £160 reduced to £80 if paid within 21  
days
- 2nd offence - £160
- 3rd offence - Court hearing and up to £2,500 fine, or  
up to 3 months in prison and a criminal record

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**Any Questions: Speak to Mrs Pick in the school Office**

## Visitors to School:

We were delighted to recently welcome Sonia Kumar, MP and Stephen Morgan, MP (Under Secretary for Education) to Red Hall Primary School. Mark Westwood, Chair of Governors and Hannah Pickering, Vice Chair were also present.



We were able to show them around our school, but also show them some of the challenges that come from our site. School Council also met with them and told them about what Red Hall has to offer – they did so well!



## WRAP AROUND CARE: Breakfast and After School Club

Do you know that we will charge you for late collection from school? Your child/ren will be taken to After School Club. There is a charge of £4.50 for anytime from the end of the school day till 4.30pm and a further charge will be given for collection up to 5.45pm of £7.50.

This year the debt that has been created by families not paying their bills and for late collection of children and not paying the bill has amounted to **£2,500**. This has had to be paid for from the main school fund which should be used for the education of children. We will pass details on to anyone who has not paid their bills to the Debt Collection service of Dudley Council.

We are currently reviewing the service of the Wrap Around Care in light of this misuse by families and will update you any changes.



**We want to wish Lindsay Westwood a wonderful maternity break and wish her all the very best for the birth of her child. Whilst Miss Westwood is on maternity leave, Mrs Lowe will be the Acting Manager.**

**CONGRATULATIONS to Miss Hall on the birth of her baby boy!**

## NEW STAFF MEMBERS



Welcome to **Mrs Perkins**, our new INCLUSION PRACTITIONER. Mrs Perkins will be working with children across the whole of school who may need help and support due to a whole variety of reasons, may find accessing school learning challenging.

Welcome to **Miss Howe**, our new Y5 teacher started after Easter. We know you will make her feel really welcome.



## **We are looking to recruit a Governor with financial aptitude:**

The Governing Body are a group of volunteers who help to oversee the strategic direction of the school. To help further strengthen our Governors we are actively looking for a volunteer who has knowledge of finance. One of the key remits of a Governing Body is to ensure that public funds are well spent.

### **Ensuring financial probit**

Governing bodies have a strategic role in the financial management of schools. Their key responsibilities include, setting financial priorities through the school development plan, financial plan and the annual budget. They also decide on how the school's delegated budget should be spent in accordance with the school improvement plan and statutory curriculum requirement.

If you are interested in knowing more about this, in the first instance, please send an email to [info@redhall.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:info@redhall.dudley.sch.uk)

You do not have to be a parent of a child in the school, you may be a member of our local community. Please do share if you feel there is someone who would like to be involved with the school and make a real difference in giving back by volunteering.

## **Bike and Scoot to School Day**



**Thank you so much families for helping us to make this day happen!**

**The children had so much fun!**



## TERM DATES

Nursery	<p>20<sup>th</sup> June: Jungle Dress up day</p> <p>4<sup>th</sup> July: EYFS picnic 11.30am</p> <p>15<sup>th</sup> July: Nursery graduation 11am + 2.30pm</p> <p>16<sup>th</sup> July: Brockswood Farm trip.</p> <p>16<sup>th</sup> July: LAST day of nursery</p> <p>17<sup>th</sup> + 18<sup>th</sup> July: Nursery home visits</p>
Reception	<p>6<sup>th</sup> May: Maths event 2.45pm</p> <p>20<sup>th</sup> June: Jungle Dress up day</p> <p>23<sup>rd</sup> + 30<sup>th</sup> June: Home visits for new Reception children</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> July: New Reception taster session 1 – 2.30pm</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> July: New Reception taster session 9.30 -11am</p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> July: ALL new Reception children 9.30 – 11am</p> <p>4<sup>th</sup> July: EYFS picnic 11.30am</p> <p>9<sup>th</sup> July: Visit to Safari Park – come to school 8.30am</p> <p>11<sup>th</sup> July: Reception Graduation 2.30pm</p>
Year 1	<p>15<sup>th</sup> May: Parent Sharing event: 2.30pm</p> <p>19<sup>th</sup> May: Y1 visit to Gornal library</p> <p>w.c. 9<sup>th</sup> June: Phonic screening check</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> July: Visit to local church</p> <p>14<sup>th</sup> July: Y1 family share event focus on Geography</p>
Year 2	<p>7<sup>th</sup> May Black Country Museum trip</p> <p>14<sup>th</sup> May: Visit from Black Country Museum</p> <p>17<sup>th</sup> June: NSPCC workshop on PANTS 2AG</p> <p>19<sup>th</sup> June: NSPCC workshop on PANTS 2K</p>
Year 3	<p>20<sup>th</sup> May: Meeting about art project with families 2.45pm</p> <p>4<sup>th</sup> June: Lapworth Geology museum</p> <p>10<sup>th</sup> June: Workshop with a local artist</p> <p>w.c. 7<sup>th</sup> July: Art Work exhibited in Dudley: Priory House – more to follow on this</p> <p>14<sup>th</sup> July: Fife concert 2.50pm</p>
Year 4	<p>12<sup>th</sup> May: Egyptian Workshop</p> <p>w.c. 2<sup>nd</sup> June: Multiplication Times table check</p>
Year 5	<p>17<sup>th</sup> June: NSPCC workshop on PANTS Y5</p> <p>10<sup>th</sup> June: Maths finals for group of children</p> <p>19<sup>th</sup> June: NSPCC workshop on NSPCC</p>
Year 6	<p>w.c. 12<sup>th</sup> May: SATs week</p> <p>19<sup>th</sup> May: Workshop for Knife Crime Awareness Week</p> <p>20<sup>th</sup> May: Writing Celebration</p> <p>10<sup>th</sup> June: Maths finals for group of children</p> <p>13<sup>th</sup> June: Banter Workshop from Phase Trust</p> <p>17<sup>th</sup> June: School nurse in for Y6</p> <p>19<sup>th</sup> June: NSPCC workshop on PANTS</p> <p>30.6 – 4.7 Dudley Secondary School transition week. Dates will vary. Check with your child new school when they will be attending</p>
Whole School	<p>5<sup>th</sup> May: Bank Holiday: School Closed</p> <p>7<sup>th</sup> May: Bike + Scoot to school day</p> <p>23<sup>rd</sup> May: Break up for half-term</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> June: Back to school</p> <p>5<sup>th</sup> June: No5 Attendance Award</p> <p>13<sup>th</sup> June: Art Day – come to school in clothes you don't mind getting a little messy</p> <p>16<sup>th</sup> June: Sports Day – more details to follow</p> <p>25<sup>th</sup> June: Gallery Day: theme this year is Dudley: Through the eyes of a child</p> <p>15<sup>th</sup> July: Meet the new teacher afternoon</p> <p>18<sup>th</sup> July: Finish for Summer holidays 2pm</p>

Please note that the website is kept up to date with further dates and times: [Red Hall Primary School - Calendar](#)