6th November 2026

Redhill Primary Academy Mail on Friday





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Book of Kindness

In this week's Book of Kindness, we are celebrating:

- Jaxson SB

Well done!

Pupil Voice and Sports Group Photographs - REMINDER

The school photographers will be visiting **next Wednesday (11th November)** to take pupil voice and sports group photographs.
If your child is part of a Pupil Voice group, please ensure they come to school wearing their full school uniform together with their relevant badge on the day. If it is also their PE day, they will need to bring their PE kit with them in a bag.

If your child has a school's sports kit, please remember to send it back to school before photograph day. Additionally, if it is not your child's PE day, please ensure they bring a pair of trainers to school so they can change footwear for the photographs if required.

Individual Photographs

The school photographers will be visiting on **Wednesday 18th November** to take individual school photographs.
Please ensure that your child attends in full school uniform on this day. If Wednesday is your child's PE day, please send them in their uniform and bring their PE kit in a bag so that they can change after their photograph has been taken.

If you do not wish your child to be photographed, please inform the school office in advance.

We will also be offering sibling photographs for Redhill nursery and school children only. Unfortunately, we are unable to include younger siblings who do not attend our academy.

Upcoming Mufti Days at Redhill Primary Academy

Children in Need - Friday 13th November

Our Children in Need Penny Battle is just around the corner, and we need your help to make it a huge success!

Next Friday, children can come to school in non-uniform wearing their brightest, happiest clothes while taking part in our exciting whole-school Penny Battle. Rather than donating £1 via ParentPay, we are asking children to bring in any spare loose change they can find at home.

Now is the time to start searching! Check those coat pockets, empty the car cup holders, look down the backs of sofas and raid those forgotten penny jars. Every coin, no matter how small, will help support Children in Need and could help your child's class be crowned our Penny Battle Champions!

The competition is already building, and there is a special class treat waiting for the winning class. Will your class collect enough pennies to claim the title?
Let's see if we can fill our buckets, support an amazing cause and make this our biggest Children in Need fundraiser yet. So start collecting those coins and bring them in on Friday. Together, we can make a real difference to children and young people across the UK.

Let's make Pudsey proud! 🐻💛

Shropshire Youth Awareness Day - Thursday 26th November

Children are invited to wear blue to raise awareness and funds for local youth charities supporting young people across Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin.

Donations for this event are to be made via ParentPay. Please give as much or as little as you can. Every donation will help make a real difference to young people both locally and across the country.



Year 6 Meet Baroness Barker

On Friday 23rd October, the Year 6 children took part in an exciting virtual meeting with **Baroness Barker** via Microsoft Teams. During the session, pupils learned about the role of the House of Lords in our democracy, explored the different parts of the chamber, and discovered how members scrutinise and provide oversight of new legislation.

Following the presentation, the children had the opportunity to ask Baroness Barker a wide range of thoughtful questions, including those about her most difficult decisions, the laws she is most proud of, and her journey to becoming a member of the House of Lords.

We were extremely proud of the excellent attention, respect and maturity shown by our pupils throughout the session. Their insightful questions and enthusiasm for learning made this a valuable and memorable experience for everyone involved.







Attendance Matters

Regular school attendance plays a key role in helping children learn, build friendships and feel part of the school community. If your child is experiencing difficulties attending school, please speak to us as early as possible. By working together, we can identify any barriers and provide the right support to help your child succeed.

For further information, please look at the following article: What is a support-first approach to school attendance? – The Education Hub.

Young Carers - Do We Know About Your Child?

A young carer is a child or young person who helps to look after a family member or friend who has a disability, long-term illness, mental health difficulty, or issues with drugs or alcohol. Young carers may help with household tasks, provide emotional support, help look after siblings, or assist with personal care responsibilities that would usually be undertaken by an adult.

Being a young carer can be rewarding, but it can also be challenging. Caring responsibilities can sometimes affect a child's wellbeing, friendships, attendance, learning and emotional health.

Support Available

Children identified as young carers may be able to access:

- Emotional support and someone to talk to.
- Support with attendance, wellbeing and learning in school.
- Advice and guidance for families.
- Opportunities to meet other young carers.
- School drop-ins and youth groups.
- Activities, trips and events organised by the Telford & Wrekin Young Carers Service.

At Redhill Primary Academy, we are committed to recognising and supporting our young carers so that they can thrive both in and out of school.

Please Let Us Know

If your child helps to care for someone at home and you think they may be a young carer, we encourage you to contact the school. By letting us know, we can work together to ensure your child receives the understanding, support and opportunities they need.

Please speak to a member of the school office or our pastoral team in confidence if you believe your child is a young carer.

Online Safety - Talking About AI With Children

Artificial intelligence is becoming an increasingly familiar part of children's lives, whether that's through chatbots, homework tools, games or the apps they use every day.

As AI becomes more common, it's important that children understand both what it can do and where its limitations lie.

Internet Matters has produced a useful Talking About AI guide for families, with age-appropriate conversation starters and activities to help parents explore AI with their children. The guide encourages families to talk about how AI works, question the information it produces, consider privacy and develop healthy habits when using AI tools.

It's a practical resource for parents who may not feel particularly confident about AI themselves but want to help their children use it safely and responsibly.

If you were to explore this resource with your children at home, it would be a lovely way to enhance their learning about AI technology in school.

Link:

Internet Matters – Talking About AI: A Guide for Families

Poppy Appeal Update 2026

Thank you to all of our families for their generous support of this year's Poppy Appeal. Your donations will help the Royal British Legion continue its vital work supporting serving personnel, veterans and their families.

A small number of Poppy Appeal items are still available to purchase. If your child would like one of the remaining items, they are welcome to bring in a donation while stocks last.

The suggested donations are as follows:

Paper Poppy / Poppy Sticker £ any amount
Poppy Reflector £0.50
Pencil / Ruler £0.50
Wristband Bracelet £2.00
Snap Band £2.00

Please note that these will be available on a first come, first served basis.

We thank you for your support of this worthwhile cause.

MAIL ON FRIDAY FRIENDS

THE FRIENDS OF REDHILL PRIMARY ACADEMY (PTA)

🌟 MAKING WISHES COME TRUE & CREATING MEMORIES! 🌟
Friends of Redhill Update

📚 New Classroom Resources
Last academic year every class created a wish list of items they would love in their classroom. Thanks to your support, Friends of Redhill recently delivered brand-new books, toys, games and learning resources chosen by the children themselves.
It's wonderful to see the children already enjoying their new resources!

🎃 Halloween Disco Success
A huge thank you to everyone who bought tickets and supported our Halloween Disco.
The children looked absolutely fantastic in their amazing costumes and enjoyed an evening full of dancing, fun and laughter. Just look at the incredible effort everyone made!

💜 Thank You
Every ticket purchased, donation made and hour volunteered helps us provide resources, opportunities and memorable experiences for all children at Redhill Primary Academy.





