



# Redhill Primary Academy

## Mail on Friday



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### Welcome Back

We hope that you had a lovely break.

Happy New Year to you all and welcome back to school.

### Bad Weather Procedure

We would like to clarify our bad weather procedures: If there is no indication on our Facebook page or the council website that we are closed, then the school is open.

We do not announce that we are open; we only announce when we are closed.

In the event of bad weather and the school having to be closed, parents and carers are asked to check our Facebook page or the Telford and Wrekin Website at [schoolclosures.telford.gov.uk](http://schoolclosures.telford.gov.uk)

### YR - Y6 Drop-in Day Change

The drop-in day has been changed for this term.

It will be held on Tuesday and will start on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January,

Please note that the time for the reception classes drop-ins will remain at 2.50pm.

All other year groups remain as morning drop-ins. Please remember that it is a drop-in and all parents/carers must have left before the register is due to be taken.

Please remember that we cannot accommodate pushchairs and prams in school.

### Applying for Primary School Places

Children born between September 2021 and August 2022 will be due to start primary school in September next year (2026).

To ensure those children are allocated a school place, parents and carers must have applied to Telford & Wrekin Council by 15th January 2026.

More information on applying for a school place is available at <https://www.telford.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/>

### According to Humphrey

You may recall that there was an issue with a link in the Spy Dog/Spy Cat series of books which was quickly rectified.

Currently, several titles in the 'According to Humphrey' series contain a weblink at the back of the book that does not direct people to information about the books.

The link has been compromised and now leads to inappropriate and unsafe material not suitable for children.

### **School Census Day - Thursday 15th January 2026**

On Thursday 15th January, we have a menu change due to school census day, so please add the change to your diaries.

On this day, we provide information to the DfE which dictates how much funding the school receives.

As you know, the more funding we receive, the better provision we can provide for the children.

One of the key funding categories is how many children stay for Universal Free School Meals (UFSM) on census day.

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free meal (hot dinner, jacket potato or sandwich) every day. Some parents choose not to take this offer and supply their children with a packed lunch. We always try to ensure that on census day one of the more popular meal choices is available.

This census day will see the kitchen providing a Food Tour USA menu. Please see the flyer below. Please remember there is also the school sandwich, which you can pre-order, or the option to have a jacket potato; these are also very popular for many children.

We would like your help to try and encourage your child to take up the UFSM offer and if at all possible, try it out on Thursday 15th January. Thank you.



### Do it for

Support for people across Telford to achieve their health goals via a 12-week email support programme. Sign up is free and each week a new topic is released to support goals of healthy eating, physical activity, sleep and mental wellness.

If you are looking for a way to achieve your health goals:

<https://healthytelford.com/>

### Snow Play

Earlier this week, the children played in the snow at lunchtime and had a wonderful time.



### Online Safety Update

The Children's Commissioner for England has published a guide to help parents and carers manage children's digital lives. The guide aims to explain common online challenges, help families start and sustain open conversations, and provide support with setting boundaries.

The guide is available on our website under  
'Safeguarding and SEND' > 'Online Safety'

On this page, you can find a plethora of guides and resources to support you in keeping your child/ren safe online.

Should you require any additional advice or support, please contact Mrs Coughlan via the school office.