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# Mail on Friday

## Redhill Primary Academy and Nursery Weekly Newsletter

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### Welcome Back

We would like to welcome all of our children back to school.

A special welcome to the children who are new to our school this academic year and our new staff:

Mrs Amy Butters - Teaching Assistant in Mrs Lewis' Class

Mrs Kate Turner - Teaching Assistant in Mrs Davies' Class

Mrs Lesley Williams - Teaching Assistant in Mrs Davies' Class

Miss Sam Short - Teaching Assistant in Mrs Fance's Class

Mrs Rebecca Smith - Breakfast Club and After School Club Assistant

We would also like to say congratulations to Mrs Zoe Hinks (Teaching Assistant in Miss Knowles' Class) who got married over the summer and is now Mrs Mitchell.

We are hoping for a more settled year for everyone in our school community.

### Level 4 Network Engineer Apprenticeship Opportunity

We are looking at recruiting a Level 4 Network Engineer.

It is a great opportunity to develop skills that will enhance your career in IT.

More information is available at:

<https://primarygoal.applytojob.com/apply/72BNM5cy2B/Level-4-Network-Engineer-Apprentice>

### Collection Points

#### Side Gate by the Back Path

This gate is the main exit point for Mr Hodgkison's, Miss Williams' and Mrs Richards' Classes. We would therefore be grateful that if you are picking up for any other class, Mrs Davies', Miss Dhillon's, Mrs Coughlan's and/or Mrs Fance's class, that you use the front nursery gate to reduce the footfall in this area.

### End of the School Day - Older Siblings

We can confirm that older siblings can resume departing from their younger sibling's classroom door.

### Medical Needs

If your child has an Individual Health Care Plan and they have been prescribed an inhaler, epi-pen or any medication, please can you ensure that these are brought back into school by Monday 13th September. These will be retained in school so that the children have access to them should they be needed. Please can all outstanding Medical Condition Update forms be returned to school also by Monday 13th September. If your child has a new medical need/allergy, please contact the school office and we will send out the necessary paperwork to you.

### Contact Information

Please remember to let us know if your contact details change so that we can amend them on your child's record.

If you ever want to withdraw your consent for the Academy to process your data, please fill in the consent withdrawal form which is available on our website.

### The Online Together Project

For children aged 6 years and upwards, Internet Matters have created a new interactive game called The Online Together Project, which is designed to help develop critical thinking skills, and encourage a positive and inclusive culture online. Essentially, it's a question-and-answer game, but after each answer there is supporting advice and guidance. Give it a go!

To learn more, see <https://www.internetmatters.org/the-online-together-project/>

### The Joy of Music and What Happens to Support Music in School

Here at Redhill Primary Academy, music is an integral part of our school curriculum. We ensure that all children have a quality music provision through both teacher-led sessions and specialist-led tuition through the Telford and Wrekin Music Service and other professional agencies. Due to Covid, some of these opportunities had to cease over the last 18 months and we are keen to ensure we return to offering an excellent provision to the children again.

Music is taught in weekly sessions. This is supported by fortnightly music assemblies, whole class instrumental tuition for Years 4 and 5 and recorder lessons in Year 3. Whole class instrumental tuition is for a 10-week block with the opportunity to continue lessons with the music service teachers. Year 3 will be receiving music tuition as part of their class provision delivered by their teachers, Miss Kibble and Mrs Richards, commencing in the Spring term.

Year 4 will be receiving whole class music tuition on the ukulele for 10 weeks commencing on Wednesday 15th September. These lessons will be delivered by Caroline Killen from the Telford and Wrekin music service.

Year 5 will be receiving whole class music tuition with brass instruments for 10 weeks in the Summer term. These lessons will be delivered by Andrienna Straw from the Telford and Wrekin music service.

### After School Club Provision

Music is also enhanced with our extra-curricular provision. This includes a choir and opportunities for solo and ensemble performances. The children can take part in larger performances including Young Voices for the choir. This year we are extremely excited as we have Sam Deakin delivering our choir club. Sam runs a performing art school and is also the singing teacher from Thomas Telford. We would love more children to sign up for choir to benefit from his knowledge and expertise and to have lots of fun. **We are offering the first two sessions for free.** This club is for Year 3 upwards. Choir will be taking part in the annual Young Voices festival again in January 2022 at the Genting Arena in Birmingham. It will be an amazing experience with thousands of children singing together in a pop concert style performance, memorable for children and parents alike.



### Individual or Group Music Lessons

Telford and Wrekin Music Service currently deliver violin, guitar and keyboard individual/group lessons for children at our school, during the school day. They also offer drum, vocal, brass and woodwind lessons.

Lessons are charged at the rate of £8.75 per ½ hr lesson for small group of 3 plus, 20 minute lesson for groups of 2 and £16.00 per 20 minute lesson for 1:1 tuition. Monthly payments of £26.25 for small group or £48.00 for 1:1. If your child is in receipt of free school meals or is a child in care then support is available for these lessons, **free of charge.**

They deliver 10 lessons per term and have 'catch up' weeks built into their teaching calendar to allow for any lessons the tutor may have had to cancel.

If you would like to register your child's interest, please apply via the Music Service website:

[www.telfordandwrekinmusic.co.uk](http://www.telfordandwrekinmusic.co.uk)