

# Mail on Friday

# Redhill Primary Academy and Nursery Weekly Newsletter

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### Mr Maddy

As many of you know, our long serving caretaker, Kevin Maddy, has battled with cancer for the past 18 months. Though he fought valiantly, as we knew he would, it is with great sadness I have to inform you that on Monday evening he passed away from this disease. Those of you who knew Kevin, that had the pleasure of meeting with him, would have known how much he loved the community of Redhill, was incredibly proud to be part of it, and saw the school as his second home. He was a much valued member of the school team, and his contribution has left its mark, along with many fond memories. We will honour his passing in due course.

On behalf of the Redhill community, we send our thoughts to his wife, Hilary.



# Platinum Jubilee 20th May 2022

Please remember that your child is being asked to dress up on Friday 20th May to celebrate a specific decade as part of our Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Year groups and decades are listed below:

Nursery, Reception and Year 1: 2000-2022

Year 2: 1990s Year 3: 1980s Year 4: 1970s Year 5: 1960s Year 6: 1950s

From the work children complete in their class, they may be inspired by the fashions, inspirational people, music or film and could use this when thinking of what they could dress up as. As always, there is no expectation for anyone to go out and buy anything especially for this event – be as creative as you like using the items you already have.

At Redhill, we are very excited to be able to share this event as a whole school community!

# E-books about online safety to share at home

For children in EYFS or KS1 - a book about being on the internet.

https://www.childnet.com/resources/a-learning-to-read-book/

For children in KS2 - a book about social media.

https://www.vodafone.co.uk/mobile/digital-parenting/goldilocks

#### Crossbar Holiday Club

Crossbar will be running their holiday club, in school, on Monday 30th May, Tuesday 31st May and Wednesday 1st June.

If you would like your child to attend, please book your child's place using their online booking system.

Thank you.

## The Press Release for the Girls Football Team

## Redhill Primary Academy Girls Football Team to Play in National Finals at Premier League Watford FC

A Telford primary school's girls football team will experience a taste of life in the Premier League when they take part in a prestigious national tournament at the home of Watford FC.

Redhill Primary Academy's Year 5/6 team - coached by Shropshire company Crossbar Education in Sport - booked a place in the Premier League Primary Stars tournament after winning an event organised by Wolverhampton Wanderers Foundation earlier this year.

They qualified for next week's national stages - a first for Redhill - by then also winning the regional finals.

Redhill will represent the Wolves Foundation at Watford's Vicarage Road stadium on Wednesday, May 18, with their squad of eight players facing group games against teams representing Bristol Rovers,

Newcastle United, Southampton and West Bromwich Albion.

Claire Whiting, Redhill Primary Academy's Headteacher, said the school was proud of the team's achievements and that Crossbar, which delivers sport across the curriculum at the Priorslee school, had played a part in their success.

Mrs Whiting said: "The girls are very excited about having the opportunity to experience what it's like to be able to play at a stadium the size of Watford's and against schools from up and down the country. They are looked up to as this amazing team by the other children in school. We have always been very passionate at Redhill about sport and encouraging children to develop healthy lifestyles. It's predominantly all about increasing levels of engagement, and this is a really good opportunity to encourage more children to be involved in competitive sport." She added: "Crossbar is a great resource to have in school with the PE lessons they deliver and they lead our teams in all competitions. They also provide a whole range of high quality clubs that inspire children to stay after school and get more involved in being active."

Gavin Cowan, Crossbar's Managing Director, said: "It's a fantastic achievement for the girls to reach the national finals and we will be with them every step of the way on what will be a very exciting day at Watford. Redhill has enjoyed a lot of success around sport and we are proud to be a part of it by helping to support the school's pupils throughout the year. The girls are now going to benefit from experiencing elite facilities at a Premier League club and they should be very proud of themselves."

Pictured: The Redhill Primary Academy Year 5/6 team Belle Preece, Ruby Showker, Paige Bennett, Harriett Anslow, Amreen Saini, Maisie Beeston, Gracie Ferguson and Gracie Jones, with Crossbar coaches Ben O'Hanlon (right) and Brad Bood.

