



23rd January 2026

Redhill Primary Academy Mail on Friday



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World Book Day – Thursday 5th March

We are excited to be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. We can't wait to see the children dressed up as their favourite book characters. The teachers are looking forward to joining in too! The World Book Day website has plenty of ideas for all levels of creativity from quick and simple outfits to more detailed costumes. You can find inspiration here:

[https://www.worldbookday.com/resources/dressing-up-ideas-for-parents-and-carers/
Book Swap Day](https://www.worldbookday.com/resources/dressing-up-ideas-for-parents-and-carers/Book-Swap-Day)

Once again, we have decided to take part in a Book Swap Day, as it is a great way to share your love of reading and discover exciting new books, as well as give children the opportunity to choose a book for themselves that excite them and start to build a lifelong love of reading. Children can bring in a book that they no longer want and swap it on the day (books in good condition only please).

£1 Book Tokens

Every child will receive a £1 book token, which can be exchanged for one of the special World Book Day **FREE** books, or used as £1 off any full-price book of their choice.

Full details and this year's book selection can be found at: [https://www.worldbookday.com/
Celebrating Reading](https://www.worldbookday.com/Celebrating-Reading)

World Book Day is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate and enjoy reading together. Reading with and to your child every day makes a huge difference to their learning and helps them reach their full potential.

Happy reading!

Keeping Hydrated during the School Day

Please can every child bring a water bottle so that they can keep hydrated during the school day.

Only water is allowed in water bottles unless a medical reason is provided. Thank you.

Big British Birdwatch 2026!

This year, we are excited to be taking part in a whole-school fieldwork project as part of the Big British Birdwatch 2026!

You can also join in at home by taking part in the Big Garden Birdwatch, the world's largest garden wildlife survey. Every year, hundreds of thousands of nature lovers help build a picture of how garden birds are doing. Why not join the fun?

How to take part at home:

*Choose one hour between 23rd and 25th January.

*Only record the birds that land in your garden or outdoor space.

*For each species, record the highest number you see at any one time.

Follow the link below to download the free PDF recording sheet. If your child would prefer a paper copy, please ask their class teacher.

Have fun birdwatching, we can't wait to see what you spot!

BGBW2026_HowToGuides_English_A4_prf1.pdf





For all those budding artists we would like to share with you a competition that is currently being held by The Royal Academy of Arts.

Now in its eighth year, the Young Artists' Summer Show is a free, open submission exhibition for students aged 4–18 studying in the UK. Artworks are judged by a panel of artists and arts professionals, with selected artworks displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts

Registration is open now until 4th March.

For more information and details how to submit, please follow the link below.

[Young Artists' Summer Show | Royal Academy](#)

We look forward to seeing your artwork.

Volunteers

We would love to hear from parents, carers, or grandparents who may be interested in volunteering in our school.

We are particularly keen to hear from adults with a good standard of English who can commit some time to hearing children read, or reading to the children.

We are also looking for an enthusiastic gardener who would like to run an after-school Gardening Club independently. The day is yet to be confirmed, but we are hoping for Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday. This role would suit someone who is confident leading a small group of children and sharing their passion for gardening and all things green.

If you are interested and able to commit to a volunteering role, please email parentcontact@redhillprimary.co.uk and we will send out a volunteer pack.



Exploring How to Make Cookies

Year 3 were lucky enough to have a workshop with the team from Academy Catering. They came to talk to us about how to make cookies, ready for us to make some of our own. They talked us through the different steps in creating our cookies and explained some of the technical vocabulary we might come across when baking; for example, the difference between dry and wet ingredients. They also talked about how to keep ourselves safe in the kitchen when using different equipment.

We were then given our own ball of dough and had a go at making it into the perfect shape for a cookie. Some of us were adventurous and creative and tried making different shapes such as hearts and stars

Finally, we got the opportunity to taste one of the cookies. We discussed the taste, texture and appearance and how this was different to the shop-bought biscuits we had previously tried.



Online Safety Update

Question of the Week

Your child tells you they love playing Roblox, and your advice is “just be sensible.”
What might we want to explore further?

An answer

Roblox is used by children from a very young age, with many starting in primary school and a particularly large number of players aged around 8 - 12. There is no fixed minimum age to play, and **children often share games and social spaces with much older users**. This mix of ages, combined with **user-generated content and social features such as chat and voice chat**, means children’s experiences can vary widely. As a result, generic advice like “just be sensible” gives us very little insight into what a child is actually seeing, doing, or who they are interacting with.

Helpful lines of curiosity include:

- What games are they accessing, and are they age-appropriate?
- Is chat enabled, and who can message them?
- Have they come across anything violent, hateful or worrying?
- Are they using private servers or public spaces?
- Are parental controls or age settings in place and actively used?
- Do you as a parent feel confident managing the platform?

Disclosures of concerning content on Roblox should be treated as safeguarding issues, not just IT problems, and may relate to online safety, digital resilience or Prevent duties. **The goal is curiosity, not panic. We want to help children talk openly about what they encounter and support parents to move beyond “just be sensible”.**

What helps most in practice includes:

- Regular, interested conversations about what children enjoy playing, who they play with, and what they notice online
- Adults showing curiosity, including watching or playing alongside children, so games are not treated as a secret or separate world
- A clear understanding of personal information, including why chats should stay about the game and when to tell an adult
- Agreed rules around spending, with children knowing when real money is involved and when permission is needed
- Reassurance that worries should be shared, including exposure to upsetting content, mean behaviour or hate-based language
- Confidence using block and report tools, so concerns can be addressed calmly and practically
- Active use of safety settings, including age-appropriate controls, chat restrictions and parent account oversight

More information can be found here: <https://corp.roblox.com/safety-by-age>

Weekly Newsletter



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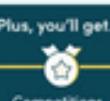
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Special Approach to Making It **REAL**

PODS and Family Hubs are offering a Special Approach to 'Making it REAL' workshop for families with children aged 0-5 years with Special Educational Needs.

This engaging workshop supports parents to build their knowledge and confidence in helping their children develop early reading and writing skills, while creating a positive and supportive home-learning environment.

You only need to book one session.

Please scan the QR code to book your free place. If you would need a creche place to enable you to attend please let us know.

Training details :

5th Feb 2026 12.30 -2.30 pm

or

24th Feb 12.30 - 2.30 pm

Scan me to book



Venue - PODS Hub,
1 Hawksworth Rd, Central Park, Telford
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