# <sup>27</sup> Mail on Friday Redhill Primary Academy and Nursery Weekly Newsletter

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Half Term Holidays

We hope that you have a lovely half term holiday. The children will return to school on Monday 6th June 2022. Please remember to check the term dates on our website.

## Year 6 Theatre Visit

As a school, we believe it is important to provide children with opportunities and experiences that build their cultural capital. Last week, on Wednesday, our Year 6 children visited the Wolverhampton Grand Theatre and watched the stage adaptation of Animal Farm. It was a fantastic experience for the children, many of whom had never visited a theatre before. Before going, we prepared the children by learning about the various hidden meanings associated with this complex story and focused on the learning that we can take about how we treat others and how positions of power should not be abused. We were so proud of the children's behaviour and etiquette whilst in the theatre, which was filled with paying spectators and groups of secondary school students. They were a credit to Redhill and this was noted by at least two members of the general public.

#### Smart Watches

To safeguard and protect children, smart watches are not allowed to be worn at school due to the functions children would have to film, take photographs, record conversations and access social networking sites. Please help us by making sure that your child is not wearing one. If they do wear one, we will ask them to remove it, and keep it in the office for safekeeping until you are able to collect it. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

#### Uniform Reminder

 Please can we remind you that children should not be wearing the following to school: Jewellery - if your child has their ears pierced, stud earrings are acceptable.
Trainers - apart from on PE days. School shoes should be worn with school uniform. Thank you.

#### Nursery and Reception Sports Day

Foundation Stage had a fantastic and fun sports day yesterday. We enjoyed running, balancing, jumping and even dressing up. It was lovely to see so many people back on the side lines cheering the races on and the sun even came out to join us!







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#### Young Voices

The children in the school choir had a fabulous time at Young Voices last Wednesday. This year was particularly special with Young Voices celebrating their 25th anniversary. The children enjoyed singing an amazing repertoire of songs, ranging from The Lion King to O Fortuna from Carmina Burana. We were joined by Urban Strides on stage to help us with the incredible dance moves. The children were a credit to Redhill and all the staff were proud of their teamwork, their voices and the Redhill values they demonstrated. A big thank you to all the parents who travelled to Birmingham to share the experience and the staff who joined us on stage.



Year 1 and Year 2 Visit to Theatre Severn

The children had a magical time at Theatre Severn, Shrewsbury, yesterday. We all went to watch the wonderful performance of Zog and the Flying Doctors! The children loved joining in with the songs and dances. The actors used puppets which made the performance even more exciting. We all enjoyed laughing at the funny characters and jokes and loved having a dance in our seats at the end.





# Sports Days

Dates for your diary! Please see our sports days listed below. These dates are weather dependent. KS1 (Year 1 and Year 2) 10th June 2022 at 1.15pm KS2 (Year 3 to Year 6)

17th June at 9.15am

# Sun Hats and Water Bottles

Please remember to send your children with sun hats if the weather is warm and please ensure that all children bring water bottles with them.

It would be helpful if sun cream could be applied at home before the event. Thank you.

# Photographs and Filming

Please remember that photographs and videos of children should not be posted on social media sites without a parent's permission.

#### Entrance

Please enter via the main reception gate for the sports days.

Please do not arrive too early as we are not able to let you in until we are set up.

We hope that you enjoy watching your children.

Thank you



#### **Careers and Aspirations Week**

This week, we have welcomed many special visitors into school in order to enrich the children's learning about life after school.

Nursery and Reception welcomed a train driver.

Year 1 welcomed a soldier and a veterinary nurse.

Year 2 welcomed police officers and took part in workshops with an employee from Veolia recycling services.

Year 3 also took part in workshops with Veolia, an architect and had a Microsoft Teams call with an MP from UK Parliament.

Year 4 and Year 5 welcomed a soldier, journalist and an architect.

Year 6 had a Q&A session with an engineering student from Harper Adams University and welcomed school leavers from Thomas Telford School going on to study midwifery and business at university.

What a super week!



#### **Nursery Children**



### **Reception Children**





#### Year 1 Children

In Year 1, we have been thinking about what we would like to be when we grow up. We began the week by sharing ideas on why we learn and what we enjoy learning about. We then drew a picture and wrote about what job we would like to do when we are older.



We had a visit from some soldiers where we took part in different activities to show how well we can work as a team.

We were also lucky enough to have a visit from a veterinary nurse. She shared lots of information with us and we even got to pretend we worked in a vets and how we can help to look after poorly animals.

# <u>Year 2 Children</u>















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# Year 3 Children



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## Year 4 and Year 5 Children

This week, year 4 and 5 have been lucky enough to have a number of visitors who have talked to us about their careers.

On Monday, we had a visit from Kirsty Smallman who is a journalist. We learnt about what her job entails and what she does on a daily basis. We also learnt about her journey to become a journalist and the skills she needs to carry out this role. Finally, we had an opportunity to ask questions about her career and aspirations for the future.

On Wednesday, we had two visitors. We met with Paul Harris from Baart Harris Newall Architects who is currently working on our school site with our new nursery building. He talked to us about the process he has been through designing the building and choosing the materials and we were lucky enough to get a sneaky peak at what the final design will look like!





Later on, we received a visit from Shannon Jones, a soldier in the army, as well as being one of our parents from the younger years in school. We learnt about the different roles in the army and what jobs could be done. She then shared information about what her job entails and some of the highlights of her working life. It was fascinating!





#### Year 6 Visit

During careers and aspirations week, both year 6 classes had the opportunity to visit a university: Mrs Fance's class visited Derby and Mrs Coughlan's class visited Harper Adams.

The aim of the visits was to expose children to the opportunities and subjects available to them at university; help them to understand the routes they can take to get into university; give them a chance to talk to university students; and allow them to explore the campus.

The children all had a great time, with many children discussing what careers they thought they might be interested in and what they might study at university as a result.

At Derby, Mrs Fance's class took part in a treasure hunt tour and had the opportunity to look in detail at the subject of Forensic Science.

At Harper Adams, Mrs Coughlan's class had a go at building their idea of what a university campus might be like using lego.

A great day all round!









