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# Mail on Friday

## Redhill Primary Academy and Nursery Weekly Newsletter

Email us at: [parentcontact@redhillprimary.co.uk](mailto:parentcontact@redhillprimary.co.uk)

### Welcome Back

Welcome back to school. We hope that you had a lovely Easter break.

### Uniform Expectations

Please can we remind parents regarding the following uniform expectations:

Skirts and shorts should be knee length.

Shoes should not be slip on, open toed or have heels. If children wear boots to school, please remember that they need to change into school shoes on arrival.

Hair accessories must be minimal in design and also in the school colours of green, grey or black.

Hair cuts should not be less than grade 2 and children shouldn't have patterns, tram lines or designs in their hair.

Thank you.

### New Goals

A big thank you to Mr Harrison who, on behalf of Ercall Colts JFC, has donated new goal posts for our children to use. Ercall Colts JFC practice on our playing field and have made the donation as a thank you for being able to do so. Mr Harrison has built the goal posts and they are now situated and ready to use.

Thank you so much.



### Agreeing Rules and Boundaries at Home

We really like the idea of parents sitting down with their children and agreeing rules and boundaries in relation to new or current devices in order to set expectations of behaviour and much more. To help with this, FOSI (The Family Online Safety Institute) have put together some really simple but wonderful agreement sheets for parents which you can download for free.

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### Contact Details and Consent

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.

## Under 9s and Under 10s Football Finals at The New Bucks Head

Well done to both football teams who competed in the County Finals last weekend. The Under 9s played Greenfields and were absolutely amazing, running out 4-0 winners. The boys played fantastically as a team, passing the ball around confidently and working hard in defence. Joseph Kirkpatrick, Jacob Harrison, Daniel Hemuka, Sam Walker, Harveer Sohal, Noah McGuire, Henry Anslow, Travis Langley, Roman Hurford and Oakley James.



The Under 10s played St Georges Shrewsbury in a much closer game. The play was end to end and both teams played some fantastic football. After going down to an early goal, the boys rallied really well and started to dominate. Their quick passing and superb team work really shone and they deservedly finished 2-1 winners.

Kamsi Nwachukwu, Freddie Carpenter, Harry Treharne, Malik Haruna, Archie Daniel, Travis Langley, Harveer Aujla and Henry Anslow.



### The Queen's Jubilee

Dear Parents and Carers

We are inviting you into school at lunch time on Friday 20th May to celebrate The Queen's Jubilee. Parents will be required to provide their own food and will be able to sit with their child/ren on the school field to eat their lunch. It is advisable to bring a picnic blanket to sit on. A register will be taken on the gate and times and entrance points will be confirmed nearer the time. We are asking at this stage that up to two adults per family attend, however we will open up the event to more family members if places become available.

Please can you complete the link below to declare if you will be attending and how many places you require.

<https://forms.office.com/r/PaWp1hcPzR>

Can you please complete the link by Friday 6th May at 4pm.

### Letter from The Friends

To all Parents/Carers

Welcome to our first Friends event for what feels like a lifetime!

We are all so pleased to be able to finally welcome everyone back to our events and to meet lots of new faces. For some parents, this will be their first event and others will have moved from KS1 to KS2, so it may be helpful to let you all know how each disco works.

This year, it is A Royal Party, to be held on Thursday 12th May in the school hall. For our Reception and KS1 children, our theme is a royal party, so they can come dressed as kings, queens, knights and princesses, but please can we ask that no props are brought in to school, such as swords.

For our KS2 children, the theme is red, white, and blue – so dress to impress!

**Reception and KS1 runs between 5.00-6.00 and KS2 runs between 6.15-7.15**

#### **How do I get a ticket?**

We start by sending a form home to be completed, which can be returned to us via pupil post (given to your child to give to their teacher and placed in the register). This needs to be cash only or with the new Sumup reference.

The covid pandemic has changed the way that a lot of people feel about handling cash, so we have created an online shop, Sumup, for you to buy your tickets. Please quote your child's name as a reference, so that we can cross check this and don't forget to place the Sumup reference number on the form. The forms are essential, as these give us the details we need to cater for everyone at the discos. These cover everything from dietary and allergy requirements through to photo consent and we need the forms back to us no later than Wednesday morning, so that we can ensure we are catering for every child's individual needs.

Tickets are not issued for our discos anymore, as sometimes children would arrive with no ticket because they were left in book bags or at school; so instead, names are placed on a register and ticked off on arrival. We can't take payment on the night; this is an advance sales event only.

#### **What are the costs for Reception and KS1?**

At previous events, we would sometimes have children, some as young as 4, arriving with large sums of money to spend on chocolate and sweeties. Whilst we would never tell parents how much money to give children to spend, we often found some children would misplace their purse or wallet or drop money and would get upset. On other occasions, some children would attend with no money and would be clearly upset that they couldn't buy anything for themselves, often leading to the Friends or staff paying for them to have a chocolate bar. The decision was made to ensure that all children got the same experience, by introducing a goody bag, so no-one went without or overspent. This decision has proven to be incredibly popular with children and parents and now everything is covered in the payment – no additional money is required at the disco.

The payment of £5.50 includes a hot dog, unlimited squash and a goody bag containing a packet of crisps, small chocolate bar and, this year, we are sending the children home with an old-fashioned project so that they can enter our royal competition.

### **What are the costs for KS2?**

For our KS2 children, the ticket cost of £3.00 includes the disco and a hot dog. The older children are welcome to bring money to this event and we will be running a tuck shop and a merchandise stall.

### **It's my child's first event - where do I go..?**

On the evening, please bring your child(ren) to the small playground, the entrance used by Reception and KS1 children. All children, no matter which year group they are in, will enter and leave by these doors. We kindly ask for coats and jackets to be taken home with parents/carers as we have no where to store them. For our KS2 children who live locally, if you are happy to let your child walk home, please can you provide the school with a letter of consent so the teachers know that they can leave without an adult. Also, if you have arranged for another parent to collect your child, please can you let the office know.

### **Just so that you know....**

During the disco, children enjoy playing fun games with dancing and music. Some of the hall lights will remain on and the music low as we have found in previous years, with all the lights off, some of the younger children can get upset. If you have a child who would like to attend and has ear defenders, please ensure that these are named. Also, please be assured that should your child become upset, we have a quiet space in the library that they can go to, and they can choose to stay there or go back to the disco.

I can't tell you how excited we are to see you all again; it's been such a long time.

I hope this has answered some of your questions, but please, if there is anything else that I can help with, do get in touch.

As always, if anyone would like to volunteer to help at this, or any other events that we host, please don't hesitate to get in touch with either myself or anyone from the team via Facebook or directly through school.

With kind regards

Pru McCarney – Chair of the Friends of Redhill

### **Thank You to The Friends**

Mrs Whiting would like to thank The Friends for the excellent job they do in organising events to help raise money for the school. The Friends are parent volunteers and spend a lot of time making these events special for all the children who attend Redhill Primary Academy. Not many schools can say that they have such hard working Friends and we appreciate everything that you do for us.

Thank you so much.

### **Sports Days**

Dates for your diary!

Please see our sports days listed below. These dates are weather dependent.

Nursery and Reception

26th May 2022 at 1.30pm

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.