

27th June 2024



Update on Thursday

Redhill Primary Academy and Nursery

Weekly Newsletter

Email us at: parentcontact@redhillprimary.co.uk

PD Day

Please remember that there is a PD day tomorrow which is a non-school day.
Children will return to school on Monday 1st July.

KS1 Sports Day

Please note that this date is weather dependant.

Year 1 and Year 2 children

Wednesday 3rd July at 1.30pm

Sun Hats and Water Bottles

Please remember to send your child/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.

PE Kits

If it isn't a normal PE day, please can your child/children wear their PE kits to school on their sports day.

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

Parent and Carer Transition Meetings

This year, we are offering parents and carers of Year 2 and Year 6 pupils the opportunity to come into school to hear some key messages around how you can support your child in moving from KS1 into KS2 and/or from KS2 into KS3.

Moving onto secondary school or from KS1 into KS2 can be an exciting but daunting time. We are hoping these meetings will help alleviate some of these worries for both children and parents.

The meetings will outline important messages in how children can be 'ready' for the next phase in their learning and how to keep themselves safe in and around school and when using devices.

The meetings will be led by school staff and Samantha Brace, from West Mercia Police.

The meetings will be held on

Wednesday 3rd July for parents and carers of Year 2 pupils and

Thursday 4th July for parents and carers of Year 6 pupils.

Both meetings will be 5pm until 6pm in the school hall.

Please complete the link to confirm your attendance <https://forms.office.com/e/t6xThVATVM>

School Games Platinum Mark 2023/2024

We are delighted to announce that we, Redhill Primary Academy, have achieved the School Games Platinum Mark Award for the 2023/24 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust, to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Reception Trip to Weston Park

On Friday, Reception had a fantastic time at Weston Park. We were on a minibeast mission! We were lucky enough for fantastic weather and got to run free with nets in the meadow to catch butterflies and dragonflies, go pond dipping and find some tiny baby frogs, as well as search under logs and dig in the soil. In the afternoon, we roasted marshmallows around a bonfire and made delicious smores!

An excellent time was had by all.



Careers Week—Being an Engineer



On Monday 24th June, we had the pleasure of Mr Morris, a mechanical engineer for Rolls Royce, visiting us to discuss careers in engineering. We talked about Thomas Telford (who was given the honour of having our town named after him) and his engineering feats which can be seen locally and around the country.

An engineer is a person who designs, builds or creates a solution to a problem. They have to ask 3 key questions:

What is the problem to be solved?

Who has the problem?

Why is the problem important enough to be solved?

We learned that the Golden Gate Bridge was created to solve the issue of people being able to travel to and from work in San Francisco. A bridge was found to be the best solution, and it was designed to withstand the expected high level of vehicles that would travel across it.

We discussed NASA's plans to travel to Mars via the moon (Project Artemis), and our expectation that within the lifetimes of the children, humans will be able to live on the planet.

Mr Morris is an engineer for Rolls Royce, who works on submarines. Over 7000 engineers work together to deliver a submarine as they are incredibly complex machines. Working with components and machinery, he works with a team designing the relevant components (including the nuclear reactor) before passing the design to manufacturers. Computer Aided Design (CAD) is used in the design process. 3D printing is an evolving technology that is now being used in the manufacturing process. Powered by nuclear energy, it takes 30 years before these submarines need refuelling, and UK submarines have travelled over 18 million miles (to the moon and back 37 times). One submarine costs £2 billion!

There is a shortage of engineers, and the next generation of engineers need to come forwards. Some ideas that will help aspiring engineers along this path:

Work in teams

Believe in yourself

Problem solve

Help adults with repairs around the house

English, maths, science and IT are great subjects to lead into this field



Thank you very much to Mr Morris for such an inspiring discussion and well done to the children for listening so well.



Protect our children!

Parents and guardians: Our kids are now most commonly abused online, via their mobile phones and games consoles. Do you know how to keep your kids safe?

Learn more about the dangers of kids being online and how you can keep them safe. Join our free one hour online parent awareness session to give yourself a head start in an ever changing digital world.

Scan the QR code to find out more about our awareness training and to sign up to one of our free sessions or go to www.westmercia.police.uk/exploitworkshops



PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS CHANGING

FIRST OFFENCE

1

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days
Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

2

SECOND OFFENCE (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child to be paid within 28 days. No reduced rate will be offered.

The following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after **19th August 2024**.

3

THIRD OFFENCE AND ANY FURTHER OFFENCES (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child.

Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on a Parents future DBS certificate, due to failure to safeguard a child's education'.

10 SESSIONS (5 DAYS) OF UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE IN A 10-WEEK PERIOD

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.

Please follow the link for the Publication that will start from 19th August 2024.
www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance

A note from the Friends of Redhill Primary Academy



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Summer Discos

A huge thank you to everyone who came and volunteered at last night's discos! It's safe to say all the children had a fantastic evening, the entertainment and weather really made all the difference! Official numbers to be confirmed, but we raised in the region of £1,500 during the event!



Year 6 Prom

Year 6 Prom is fast approaching! Don't forget to book your tickets at

[Friends of Redhill Primary Academy \(pta-events.co.uk\)](http://pta-events.co.uk)

The Friends

Upcoming Events 2024

Friends of Redhill Primary Academy

APRIL 19 Multi Day Bring in an item of chocolate	APRIL 25 Chocolate Hamper Prize Draw	APRIL 18 PTA Social 6pm The Lion, Priorslee
JUNE 26 Summer Discos YR - Y2 - 5pm - 6pm Y3 - Y6 - 6.15pm - 7.15pm	JUNE LAST WEEK Leavers Hoodies	JULY 03 Bag 2 School AM
JULY 11 Year 6 Prom	JULY 19 King Cone Ice Cream Van	

Scan the QR code to book tickets to events

Dates are subject to change

Friends of Redhill Primary Academy

THE FRIENDS OF REDHILL PRESENTS

HOLLYWOOD YEAR 6 PROM

Thursday 11th July, 5pm - 7pm
 Tickets £8

Price includes decorations, disco, buffet, and a special prom treat to go home with

Tickets available to purchase by scanning the QR code or visiting <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofredhillprimaryacademy/>