



# Rednal Hill Junior School

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## Newsletter - January 2017

### Parents information

- PE kits should be in school on a Monday though until Friday(shorts/tracksuit bottoms, t-shirt, trainers/pumps).
- Children should have a bobble for their hair and plasters for pierced ears (remove earrings if possible).
- Due to the weather changing, could you please ensure that all children have their coats in school.
- All lost property will be given to charity the first Monday of every month, so please ensure all your children's clothing is clearly labelled so it can be returned to them.
- Can you please make sure that all pupils wear the correct shoes in school.

### School meals

Please note all dinner money needs to be in a named envelope and handed to the class teacher every Monday morning.

NOTE! – Lunchtime arrangements CANNOT be changed during term e.g. Sandwiches or Dinners until Easter.

Online checks for Free School Meal eligibility is now available at <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/birmingham/>

Please collect a form from the office if you are unsure how to register online.

We are trying to promote a healthy packed lunch i.e. sandwiches, fruit, yogurts, salads etc.

All children need to bring in a water bottle so water is available throughout the day for your child.

### Coming and Goings

#### Mr. Hewitt

Many people have asked how Mr. Hewitt is. The school has been informed that he is doing well and recuperating at home. There is no current date for his return but we will keep you updated.

We are very pleased to announce three new faces at Rednal Hill Junior School:-

- Mrs. Jones arrives to take on the role of SENDCo (Special Needs & Disability Coordinator). Please see her introduction in the next column.
- Miss. Weir (Teaching & Learning Leader) will form a key part of our teaching and learning team and be mainly based in Yr.6

- Mrs. Hughes (Teaching & Learning Leader) will form a key part of our teaching and learning team and be mainly based in Yr.3/4.

They are very experienced and will be a huge asset to the school!

### Happy New Year from Mrs. Jones our new SENDCo

Happy New Year to you all. I'd like to take the opportunity to introduce myself as the new Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator (SENDCo) at Rednal Hill junior School. I have experience of working previously as a SENDCo at another school in South Birmingham, and am really looking forward to taking on the role at Rednal Hill supporting children and their families. I have been fortunate to have the opportunity to work alongside Mrs. Gwilliam who has been managing the SEND at school since September 2016 and this has helped me to get a good understanding of the children in school with additional needs.

If your child has additional needs in school, I will be organizing review meetings during this term which parents/carers will be invited to. During these meetings, children's learning and progress will be discussed, and children's support plans will be shared. These plans identify targets and provision that will be in place to support your child in school. I look forward to meeting parents/carers during this term at these meetings. If you would like to come in and see me because you have concerns about your child's special educational needs or learning progress. I would be more than happy to make an appointment with you. I will be working in school on Monday to Wednesday.

### Attendance

Rednal Hill Junior School prides itself on the majority of pupils achieving a high level of attendance throughout the academic year. To reward this, we propose to do the following.

All pupils who have 98.4% and above for attendance each term will receive an exclusive invitation to a "surprise event". This will take place in school time. All pupils who have 100% attendance each term will also receive a raffle ticket that will be entered into a prize draw for a bike at the end of the school year.

Let's see who can try their hardest and keep the attendance percentage to the highest we have ever had at Rednal Hill Juniors and good luck to those pupils entering the year end draw!

#### Attendance Information

3CT	94.73%	4CF	96.18%
3DE	94.78%	4JH	94.04%
3DR	95.83%	4SP	94.66%
5CF	93.42%	6AH	95.99%
5JB	92.33%	6LF	93.69%
5KJ	94.28%	6VR	94.01%

# Term Dates and Training Days

The term dates for the upcoming academic year

Autumn Term 2016	
Term Starts	Tuesday 6th September 2016
Half Term	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2016 to Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2016
Term Ends	Friday 16th December 2016
Spring Term 2017	
Term Starts	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2017
Half Term	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2017 to Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2017
Term Ends	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
Summer Term 2017	
Term Starts	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
Half Term	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2017 to Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2017
Term Ends	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2017

Staff training days are as follows:

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2017

Monday 1st May 2017 (May Day)

Monday 5th June 2017

Monday 24th July 2017

Tuesday 25th July 2017

**PLEASE NOTE!** - This list supersedes previous newsletters; there will be no training day on Friday 3rd March 2017!