



# Rednal Hill Junior School

## Newsletter July

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*It's been a very busy year with lots of huge efforts from children and staff alike. It's been an enjoyable year made even more special because of the children of Rednal Hill Juniors. Hope your summer goes well and look forward to seeing you all in the autumn.*

Mr. Jones

### Information for Parents

We break up for summer on Friday 21st July and return to school on Wednesday 6th September

### Website

Don't forget all of our events and holidays are on the school calendar that's accessible from our website.

### Comings and goings

Mr Barnsley left Rednal Hill on Friday the 7th July. Mr Barnsley's sudden departure took us all by surprise. He'd been seeking a teaching move abroad and was successful in an appointment that has taken him to Latvia. The quick turnaround was out of our hands and we couldn't deny him this fantastic opportunity. I know you'll join us in wishing him all the best for the future. He's promised to keep in touch!

We'd also like to say a fond farewell to Mr Hart and Mr Dickinson. Both have been a pleasure to have around. We'd like to wish them all the very best for the future.

Finally, Rednal would like to say good luck and best wishes for the future to Mrs Jackman. Mrs Jackman has been our school business manager and has guided us through some choppy waters!

New additions! Rednal would like to say a huge HELLO to Miss Caunhye who will be teaching in Y5 next year and Miss Hailey who will be teaching in Y6. We're really looking forward to both of them joining the Rednal Team.

### Attendance

The school is committed to improving its attendance. We have a target of 96% and need to improve on the less than 95% we achieved last year. This term has seen an increase to 95.75% and this a real improvement on this time last year. Your support in getting children to school on time and ready to learn is vital. As you know, we have started the SPOTLIGHT Campaign and letters have gone out. If you have any questions, please feel free to get in

touch with Miss Ellis.

### Philosophy Club

A huge thank you to the children who have been part of Philosophy Club. Mr Jones has attended pretty much all of them and has said what an enjoyable experience it's been and what an incredible amount of deep thinkers we have at Rednal!

### Attendance

**Congratulations to 4CF who are our Attendance champions for 2017-18**

6AH 95.99%	6VR 95.17%	6LF 94.10%
5JB 94.32%	5CF 93.29%	5KJ 93.49%
4CF 97.05%	4JH 95.45%	4SP 94.99%
3DE 94.78%	3CT 94.07%	3DR 95.98%

### Child absences

If your child is absent from school, please call the school office on 0121 453 2520 before 10am to speak to someone or to leave a voice message informing us why your child is absent from school.

If you are booking medical or dental appointments, please could we request that these appointments are booked for after 3.20pm so that children's lessons and attendance are not adversely affected.

### Gold Card Reward Change for September.

As you are aware, we have been allowing children to come into school in their own clothes as part of our good to be green reward system. However, we've been having increasing issues with the appropriateness of clothes and a small minority abusing the system i.e. wearing own clothes even when no gold card has been awarded.

**From September, wearing your own school uniform, as a good to be green reward, will be stopped and replaced.**

### SATs 2017

The school would like to say a huge thank you to children and parents for all of their efforts in the run up to SATs and their endeavours during the week!

## Term Dates and Training Days

The term dates for next year are



<p><b>School Year 2017 – 2018</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School will be closed on the following days:</li> <li>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017 – Staff Training</li> <li>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017 – Staff Training</li> <li>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 – Bank Holiday</li> <li>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018 – Staff Training</li> <li>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018 – Staff Training</li> <li>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018 – Staff Training</li> </ul>	<p><b>Autumn Term 2017</b></p> <p>Term Starts: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017</p> <p>Autumn Half Term: Break-up Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017 –</p> <p>Back to school Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017</p> <p>Christmas Holidays: Break-up Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2017</p>
<p><b>Spring Term 2018</b></p> <p>Term Starts: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018</p> <p>Spring Half Term: Break-up Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018 –</p> <p>Back to school Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018</p> <p>Easter Holidays: Break-up Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018</p>	<p><b>Summer Term 2018</b></p> <p>Term Starts: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018</p> <p>Summer Half Term: Break-up Friday 25<sup>h</sup> May 2018 –</p> <p>Back to school Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018</p> <p>Main Summer Holidays: Break-up Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018</p>

Dates for school year 2018-2019 below. No decisions on teacher days are available at the moment.

<p><b>Autumn Term 2018</b></p> <p>Term Starts: Monday 3 September 2018</p> <p>Half Term: Monday 29 October 2018 to Friday 2 November 2018</p> <p>Term Ends: Friday 21 December 2018</p>	<p><b>Spring Term 2019</b></p> <p>Term Starts: Monday 7 January 2019</p> <p>Half Term: Monday 18 February 2019 to Friday 22 February 2019</p> <p>Term Ends: Friday 12 April 2019</p>
<p><b>Summer Term 2019</b></p> <p>Term Starts: Monday 29 April 2019</p> <p>Half Term: Monday 27 May 2019 to Friday 31 May 2019</p> <p>Term Ends: Monday 22 July 2019</p>	<p>The end date for the summer holiday in 2019 will be advised by July 2018 when the term dates for the school year September 2019 to 2020 are known.</p>