

# School Closure Newsletter 6



Week beginning 11th May 2020

## Dear families...

The Prime Minister has announced, the intention is to plan towards a potential opening of primary schools from 1st June for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. We are currently waiting for greater clarity about what's being proposed and how this could then be delivered in practical terms. As this information is published over the next few days and weeks we will plan what these next steps will mean for us at Rednal. Rest assured, we will keep you as up to date as possible. However, at present, the message is clear, we are staying with our current measures until we are told clearly that the time is right to reopen to more children than just our key-worker's children and vulnerable children.

## Art Competition Results

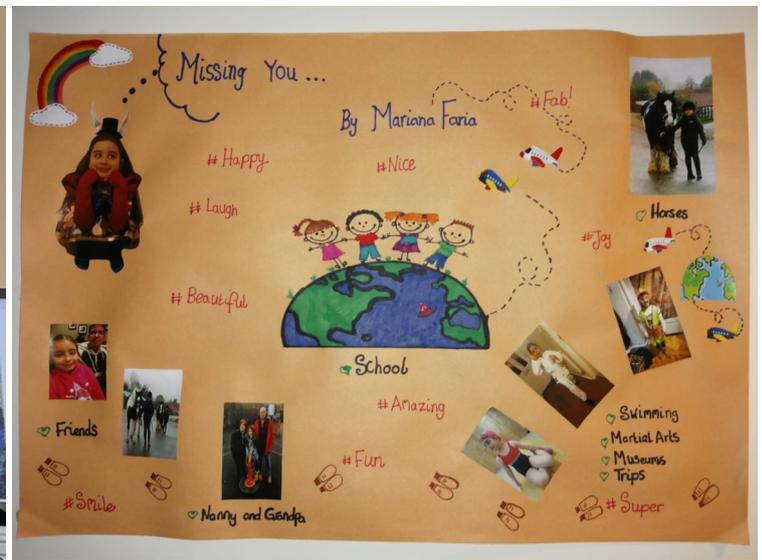
A message from Miss Edgerton:

Thank you to everyone who sent in entries for the art competition. It made my day to see how much effort and hard work has gone into all of the unique, beautiful pieces of art works that you have sent in. Please keep up the good work, keep being creative and making masterpieces!

Congratulations to our fantastic winners:



Beth Evans in 4JF



Mariana Faria in 3KS

**Both Beth and Mariana will receive £10 Amazon vouchers as prizes!**

## Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

The deadline for ordering our leavers' hoodies is fast approaching. The **cost for the hoodie is £16.00** and **payment must be made via school money no later than Monday 18th May 2020**. If you would like a hoodie, can you please complete the following form. [Please click here for link to form](#)

## Home Learning Projects

We have updated , over the weekend, the 'Home Learning Projects' that have been adapted from the ones released nationally by Robin Hood Academy. Weeks 8 to 15 are now available to work on and are available by:

- [Clicking here for Y3 & Y4](#)
- [Clicking here for Y5 & Y6](#)

Don't forget we are still uploading our weekly 'Supplementary Learning Projects'. These are bespoke to school and offer an opportunity for children to share work with teachers should they wish to.

## Mathematics Home Learning

On top of the work above, there is also the opportunity to access the Whiterose maths resources. I know we have had some worried messages from parents that this facility may now become chargeable. We hope we have found a cost free way forward.

[Whiterosemaths.com](http://Whiterosemaths.com) will continue to publish online video tutorials for pupils whilst schools remain closed. The videos, at this time, remain free for parents and pupils to download and watch at home. However, from today (Monday 11th May) White Rose have made the decision that worksheets come under their premium subscription service. In order to use these materials you will need to access them from our school website. These can be found by clicking here [White Rose Maths Resources](#)

These worksheets will be uploaded every Monday to the school website. We will include worksheets for lessons from Year 1 to Year 6. Please note, they are a little way down the page .

## Home Learning pictures & videos

Please also keep sending in any home learning pictures or videos for our newsletter/website to [enquiry@rednalhilljuniors.com](mailto:enquiry@rednalhilljuniors.com). To help us identify this work, please mark the subject as 'Home Learning'. **Please note that pictures sent in may well find their way onto the school's website or newsletter with children's names etc.** If you'd like to send in pictures of home learning but don't want your child's details attached to the picture, can you please specify this in the e-mail.

**More home learning videos - [Please click here to see](#)**

# More of what's been happening at home?



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**Dillon Bamford from 5SC has put this impressive piece of work together to explain what VE day is.**

## [What is VE day?](#)

VE day is the abbreviation for Victory in Europe Day. The 8<sup>th</sup> of May 1945 is the day when the Germans surrendered to the allies in World War 2. We celebrate and remember this day, in time, as a victory against the Germans, but also to remember the people who sadly died during the war. This was some people's happiest day of their lives, after nearly 6 long, destructive years; the war in Europe was finally over. The Prime Minister, Winston Churchill announced the news on the radio at 3 o'clock. Many had big street parties, people crowded into Trafalgar Square and outside Buckingham palace where the Royal Family and the Prime Minister waved at the ecstatic crowds. Some people were so happy many jumped in the famous London fountains. People lit bonfires, shared food and decorated houses and streets with red, white and blue bunting. Pubs were open till late, people sang and danced in the streets.

But this was not the end of the war, Japan still confident kept on fighting in the Pacific and Asia. America dropped 2 atomic bombs on the Japanese cities of Nagasaki and Hiroshima. After this event the Japanese surrendered to the allies on 15th August 1945 which was called VJ day (Victory against Japan Day). This was officially the end of World War 2, but life was not normal. The devastation from the war still remained. Rationing in the United Kingdom continued for another 10 years, the items being rationed included petrol, meat, sugar, eggs, butter, sweets and clothes.

This year is the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE day. The country was going to have big celebrations, but due to the Coronavirus lockdown and implementation of social distancing this is unable to happen. Although this is very disappointing many have still celebrated this important day in history at home with our families.

# More of what's been happening at home?

