



Reddal Hill Primary School

Parents / Carers' Newsletter

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WELCOME

This will be the final newsletter of the academic year, with the next edition due to be published in **September 2026**. I can hardly believe how quickly this year has flown by!

It has been an incredibly busy and successful month for our pupils. We have enjoyed three fantastic concerts: the Year 3 Ukulele Concert, the Key Stage 2 Wind Concert, and the Rocksteady Concert, all of which showcased the wonderful musical talents of our children. Forty-nine pupils also took part in an amazing residential visit to Frank Chapman Outdoor Education Centre, creating memories and experiences that will last a lifetime.

Our Year 6 pupils thoroughly enjoyed their memorable Prom at Halesowen Town Hall, celebrating the end of their primary school journey in style (see some photos below). In addition, every pupil across the school successfully took part in their planned Sports Day, enjoying a range of activities and demonstrating excellent sportsmanship.

As a reward for their consistently exemplary behaviour, twenty Year 2 pupils and twenty-eight Year 6 pupils achieved Platinum Behaviour Champion status and enjoyed a special trip to Hollywood Bowl, where they had a fantastic morning of bowling followed by a delicious meal.

We are extremely sad to say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 pupils as they leave us on Friday 17th July 2026. They have continued to impress us with their hard work, resilience, determination, and achievements, and we are incredibly proud of all they have accomplished during their time at Reddal Hill. As they move on to the next stage of their education, we wish them every happiness and success. Keep reaching for the stars, Year 6, and never stop being yourselves—you truly are amazing. 😊

I would also like to say a huge thank you to our parents and carers for your continued support throughout the year. Whether helping with homework, reading with your child, encouraging their learning, or simply taking the time to talk about their day, your involvement makes a tremendous difference to their development and success.

A special thank you must also go to our volunteers, PTA members, and Parent Governors. Your commitment, enthusiasm, and support are greatly appreciated and help to make our school community such a special place. You are an incredible team.

Finally, I would like to wish you and your families a wonderful, safe, and relaxing summer holiday, whatever your plans may be. I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Thursday 3rd September 2026 for another exciting year of learning and achievement.

Have a fantastic summer break! 🌞 🌻 📖

School Admissions

Applying online for your secondary place for September 2027

You will be able to apply for a secondary (Year 7) school place for your child from Monday 13th July 2025. To apply please first register at <https://www.sandwell.gov.uk/school-admissions/applying-secondary-school> you will then receive an email with a link to complete and submit your application (Non Sandwell residents should contact their home Authority). Please note: **You cannot apply before 13th July 2025**. You must apply by the closing date of **31st October 2026**.

Applying Online for your Reception place for September 2027

If you require a Reception school place for your child, you will be able to apply online at

Staff Update:

The staff at Reddal Hill are very sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs. Clark, the Learning Support Practitioner for Sunflowers and Buttercups.

Mrs. Clark has been a valued member of our school community, bringing kindness, dedication, and support to both pupils and colleagues every day. Her positive impact on the children she has worked with will be remembered for years to come, and she will be greatly missed by everyone at Reddal Hill. We would like to thank Mrs. Clark for all of her hard work, care, and commitment, and we wish her every happiness and success in the future.

Attendance

At Reddal Hill, we really value the attendance of all our pupils. As such, every week, the class with the best attendance, are rewarded with an extra 5 minutes play and our attendance trophy. At the end of each term, the class who has the highest attendance percentage for the greatest number of weeks, will enjoy a movie and popcorn afternoon. Please see below the classes that have won the highest attendance since we returned to school on 13th April 2026.

Week commencing	Winning class	Percentage
13.04.2026	Dumbledore	98.1%
20.04.2026	Sunflowers	97.5%
27.04.2026	Lilies	98.9%
04.05.2026	Buttercups	100%
11.05.2026	Elephants	98.3%
18.05.2026	Elephants	98.3%
Half Term		
01.06.2026	Elephants	97.5%
08.06.2026	Buttercups	98.8%
15.06.2026	Elephant	99.6%
22.06.2026	Lilies	86.3%
29.06.2026	Buttercups	100%
06.07.2026	Hedwig	96.4%



A super well done to ELEPHANT class who have the highest attendance for the most weeks throughout the summer term. They celebrated this achievement with a film and snack afternoon on Wednesday 15th July. A SUPER WELL DONE Elephant Class; they loved watching episodes of Bluey, and the crisps and squash went down a treat!



Reddal Hill's attendance from September 2025 to summer term 1 2026 was **92.59%**. (National: 94.80% - 2024/2025) — unfortunately, we are still below the National percentage, which reflects in our latest Ofsted report (June 2026).

Year 6 Prom

On Friday 10th July, our Year 6 pupils enjoyed a fantastic Prom at Halesowen Town Hall. It was a truly memorable evening filled with dancing, laughter, and lots of fun! Everyone looked absolutely amazing and represented Reddal Hill and their families with pride. The pupils were a credit to our school, and it was wonderful to see them celebrating together before moving on to their new high schools. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them and will miss them very much. We wish all our amazing Year 6 pupils every success and happiness as they begin this exciting new chapter.

Good luck, Year 6 — we know you will continue to shine! More photos from the Prom are available on ClassDojo. 🌟 🎉



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Dates for the diary



2026-2027

Autumn Term 2026:

Tuesday 1st September 2026 - Friday 23rd October 2026

Children return to school on Thursday 3rd September 2026

Half-term: Monday 26th October 2026 - Friday 30th October 2026

Monday 2nd November 2026 - Friday 18th December 2026

Spring Term 2027:

Monday 4th January 2027 - Friday 12th February 2027

Half-term: Monday 15th February 2027 - Friday 19th February 2027

Monday 22nd February 2027 - Thursday 25th March 2027

Summer Term 2027:

Monday 12th April 2027 - Friday 28th May 2027

Bank Holiday: Monday 3rd May 2026

Half-term: Monday 31st May 2027 - Friday 29th May 2027

Monday 7th June 2027 - Wednesday 22nd July 2027

Teacher Training Days 2026 - 2027:

Day 1 - Tuesday 1st September 2026

Day 2 - Wednesday 2nd September 2026

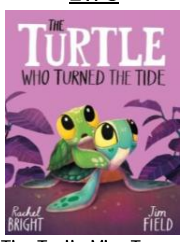
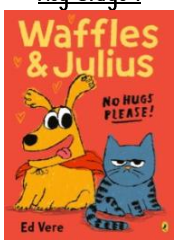
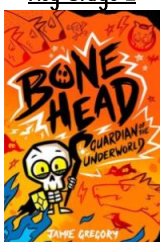
Day 3 - Monday 2nd November 2026

Day 4 - Monday 4th January 2027

Day 5 - Monday 7th June 2027

Books of the Month

Please see below the following recommended book/s you can read with your child. For older children, your child could read this book to you. These books are age appropriate and provide key vocabulary that is important in supporting your child's developing language skills.

EYFS	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2
 The Turtle Who Turned the Tide by Rachel Bright and Jim Field	 Waffles and Julius: No Hugs Please! by Ed Vere	 Bone Head: Guardian Underworld by Hamie Gregory

Reading with your child

Reading every day helps children build vocabulary, improve comprehension, and develop confidence. It also sparks imagination and creativity, opening doors to new ideas and adventures.

Summer Reading Challenge

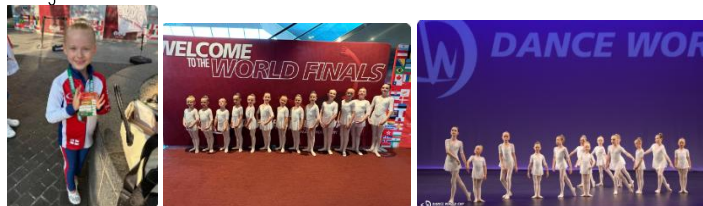
The Summer Reading Challenge takes place over the summer holidays throughout the UK. It is the UK's biggest free reading promotion for primary-aged children and it's easy to take part in! You can join online or take part by visiting your local library. Use the link below for further information. <https://readingagency.org.uk/read-to-the-beat-2026-book-collection/>

Safeguarding

At Reddal Hill, we take our safeguarding duty very seriously. If you have any concerns about the safety or wellbeing of a child, then you must contact the school or the Sandwell Children's Trust on 0121 569 3100 in confidence. If a child is in immediate danger, you should contact the police; call 999. The school's Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mrs. A. Bashir-Pugh, and the Deputy DSLs are Mr. J. Stokes, Mrs. H. Rogers, Mrs. T. Whitehurst, Mrs. K. Beard and Mrs. Begum.

HUGE Congratulations to two of our talented pupils

Huge congratulations to one of our Year 1 pupils who qualified to represent Team England at the Dance World Cup 2026 in Dublin. This is one of the biggest Dance Festivals in the world and it is both an educational and cultural experience for any child taking part. The ballet troupe were placed 16th in the world competing against groups much older too! On behalf of Reddal Hill, I would like to congratulate our amazing and talented pupil for this amazing achievement.



Huge Congratulations also to one of our Year 4 pupils who took part in the Guinness World Record for having the most backing dancers to a singer. It gives me great pleasure to inform you that this pupil and her dance group were successful in this attempt. On behalf of Reddal Hill, I would also like to congratulate our amazing and talented Year 4 pupil also for this amazing achievement.



Message from our Parent Support Advisor

Dear everyone,

As we approach the end of the academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the families and staff for all their love, support, kindness and encouragement that they have given me within my role of Parent Support Advisor. It has been an absolute honour working alongside such a dedicated team and such amazing families within our school community. I am incredibly grateful for the positive relationships that we have built, the experiences that we have shared and the memories that have been created.

I would like to wish you all a safe, peaceful and restful summer holiday, and I look forward to seeing you all again in the new academic year.

Have a lovely break,

See you soon,

Mrs. Begum

Thought for the Month

'There is no such thing as being the perfect parent; so just be a real one.' (Sue Atkins)

Have a safe and wonderful summer break. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Kind regards,

A Bashir-Pugh

Mrs. A. Bashir-Pugh

Headteacher

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