



# RED HALL PRIMARY



## **It has been a very busy half term but where has that time gone?**

So much has happened....Broomstick Training, Hunts for the Gruffalo, Dinosaurs in the woodland and the Year 6 pupils ended the half term on their week long residential to Kingswood.

We have had a fantastic turn out from Parents and Carers this term at our Celebration Events where you get to share in your children's learning, our end of topic Express Events and at parent consultation events. The partnership between school and home really is an important one that we are so pleased to see you support.

## **A Fond Farewell**

Sadly, Miss Hughes will be leaving Red Hall Primary School on 7<sup>th</sup> November to look after her little girl Eliza full time. Miss Hughes will be missed, our school has benefitted so much from her hard work over the years with Year 2 and her commitment to encouraging the Arts in school.

## **Reading Books**

We need children reading at home each night and getting reading records signed at least 3 times a week. If your child has forgotten their reading book, then get them to read a book from home and if they have forgotten or lost their reading record then you can simply download one from the website. Remember that **EVERY** child who reads at least 3 times a week over a term and has signatures to prove it in their record gets put into a prize draw for a brand new book!!  
We love reading at Red Hall, and hope you do too!

## **Attendance**

Here is our attendance data for the end of this Half Term.

<b>Reception</b>	<b>95.59%</b>
<b>Class 1</b>	<b>94.65%</b>
<b>Class 2</b>	<b>96.72%</b>
<b>Class 3</b>	<b>97.88%</b>
<b>Class 4</b>	<b>96.65%</b>
<b>Class 5</b>	<b>98.06%</b>
<b>Class 6</b>	<b>95.29%</b>

## **100% Attendance**

Our children in Lullaby Lane, Nursery and Reception have been receiving weekly certificates celebrating their attendance. We feel it is really important to embed a culture of good attendance from a young age.

**Don't forget to check out the Red Hall Primary School Website which we try to keep regularly updated with what is happening in school for you and your children or follow us on Twitter [@RedHallSchool](https://twitter.com/RedHallSchool)**

# What has been happening at Red Hall?

## Nursery

We have thoroughly enjoyed our topic 'Why do leaves go crispy?' this half term. We have been exploring in our woodland area for different types of leaves and have been investigating why they change colour and go crispy. We have also been on a fantastic trip to Hamsterley Forest for our memorable experience, lots of parents and carers came and we all had a wonderful time. We have made birds nests, investigated where apples come from, met the Gruffalo, learned about floating and sinking, experimented with shapes and number and read lots of lovely books.



## Class 3 and 4

What a busy half term we have had! The children have done so well and settled into their new classes. We are so impressed with how much effort they and their parents are putting into reading! Great to see so many signatures in those reading records!

### The Blue Abyss

Our topic this term is called The Blue Abyss and we kicked off the year with a visit to the Blue Reef Aquarium on Tyneside! The children got to meet some rather wet new friends and began to understand how very different the creatures in our oceans are and how they are adapted to the three main zones.



## Times Tables

The children in Years 3 and 4 CANNOT get to that next stage unless they know ALL their times tables. Does your child know them all up to 12 x 12? If not please help, they won't get there unless we all work together

Don't forget that children return to school on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October as Monday is a PD day for Staff only.

Ms Julie Davidson  
20<sup>th</sup> October, 2017

## Reception

The new Reception class have settled in really well in this first half term. We have practiced writing our names and learning a letter each week. We now know letters: s, l, a and m. We can even make words such as mam.



In Maths we have done lots of different activities to learn shapes and numbers. We can name: the circle, the square, the rectangle and the triangle. We can even explain the rectangle has two long and two short sides! We can also now recognise numbers one to five.



Our topic 'Why do leaves go crispy?' has been a great success. We have been on a leaf hunt, discovered what colour Autumn leaves are, found Maple leaves, found Evergreen trees, decorated leaves and made leaf men.

