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To Our Lovely Red Hall Family!

So here it is! The last half term of the academic year! I know we seem to say it each term / year, but time does honestly fly! We have lots happening this half term, so we are getting dates to you nice and early.

Looking After Our Staff...

So, you may not have noticed, but at the start of the year, we gave all staff the opportunity to take a late start and an early finish each term. This gives staff with children the opportunity to take the children to school / pick up, something staff in schools do not get the opportunity to do. If staff do not have children (or they don't like their children enough to take them to school - ☺), they have the opportunity to do something else e.g. get a load of washing done before school - ahhh the joys of being grown-ups!)

Staffing

Miss Johnston – our Year 6 teacher – had her baby girl (Edie) on 8th May (7 weeks early, the day before SATs began! Some people will clearly do ANYTHING to get out of SATs week! ☺) Both Miss Johnston and Edie are doing well and both are now settling in at home.

At the end of last half term, we said “goodbye” to Mrs Large, who successfully completed her TA apprenticeship. She will be missed, as she was a fabulous part of our Red Hall team.

Last half term we welcomed Miss Reanna Gamble to our EYFS team, as a Level 3 Teaching Assistant. This week we have welcomed Miss Isabelle Petty and Mr Lewis Johnston to the Red Hall team, as they begin their Teaching Assistant Apprenticeship with us. They will continue to train with us for the next 18 months.

Tutoring

Like all schools in the country, we have been given money to spend on tuition for the children of Red Hall. This has been allocated to lots of different children throughout the academic year, more children are planned for the near future. These sessions are either small group or 1-2-1 sessions. Sadly, the uptake of these sessions has been really poor.

Private tuition outside of schools can cost between £25-£35 per hour. Some parents and carers actually pay this. The tuition we offer is FREE! All we ask is that children turn up. The sessions are tailored to your children's needs and they help build confidence for future learning. If your child misses 2 sessions in a row, they will be removed from tutoring and their place will be given to another child who would benefit.

Safeguarding

Please note that we take safeguarding very seriously at school and any concerns we have we will speak to you / ask for advice from the Children's Initial Advice Team (CIAT). This process is the same in ALL schools. We all have a duty of care for the staff and pupils (and parents!) in school, therefore this is a priority of our role. Safeguarding is possibly the hardest part of our job. It is not nice worrying about a child, or being concerned about their well-being. However, we know we need to look into things to ensure everyone is kept as safe as possible. We could not live with ourselves if we 'missed' something / did not follow up on concerns raised, and then something serious happened to that child. Therefore, please recognise that if we contact you, this is not us being malicious, it is us caring and going above and beyond to ensure children are safe.

School Dinners

From September, we will require 2 weeks notice for a menu change / for children to change from school dinners to packed lunches / vice versa. This is to save time for office staff, who are constantly updating menus and updating food choices. Menus will be given 2 weeks in advance, for parents and carers to choose the nicest dinners for their children.

Important Dates

**Please note, there will be more dates to add, as we progress through the term, but these are the main ones for parents that we know of so far and we would like to give as much notice as possible to support working parents in requesting time off.

Date / time	Activity	Year Groups	Why	Parents Invited	Cost
14.6.22 All day	Air trail	Years 3 - 6	This is part of our PE and Sports offer, to enable children to experience things they may not normally be able to. We are hoping for some nice weather!	No.	No.
20th - 24th June	Sports week	All	The children will need to be in School PE kit all week	No.	No.
24.6.22	Sports Day	All	KS1 and KS2, 9am - 10.15am	Yes.	No.

			EYFS 10.30-11.30am Ice creams, drinks and snacks will be available to purchase, at school, with all money raised going straight back to the children - as always		
10th July - 12th July.	Lake District Residential	24 children	To take part in our annual residential.	No.	Yes. (£100)
15.7.22	EYFS Graduation	All	Morning EYFS – 10 – 11.30am Afternoon EYFS – 1.30 – 3pm Cakes, biscuits and drinks will be available to purchase.	Yes.	No.
15.7.22	Reports	All	Parents will receive their child's report today, which will give parents and carers the opportunity to read through these and book an appointment with a class teacher, should you have any questions.	N/A	No.

18.7.22	Summer Fayre	All	Lots of different stalls, events and things for sale.	Yes.	Yes.
19.7.22 1.15pm	Leavers Assembly		This will then be followed by the opportunity for cake and chats with children and parents, in the hall after. Children are then free to leave once the assembly is completed and cake has been eaten! :)	Yes.	No.
20.7.22	LAST DAY OF TERM!				

Lastly...

Be kind. We are saddened to hear that some parents have taken to social media to express their concerns about what we do 'wrong'. This is hurtful and in many cases the version of events which is given, is not the truth. Sadly, we do not always get celebrated for the amazing things we do or the lengths our staff go to, to ensure your children receive the best education possible, as well as the care, nurturing and time needed to grow and learn.

Please remember we are human too, we work hard and we love your children just as much as you do.

Many Thanks

Red Hall Staff

in a world where
you can be
anything.....

Be Kind