

Thank You:

Mary Ingle THANK YOU **again** for bringing our children on social outings and their school tours you are always so willing.



We would like to extend a special thank you this term to our resident gardener Jean McCormack who has done wonderful work with our children. Hazel O Carroll and Peter O Sullivan for all their wonderful interventions helping our children with their individual needs.

The Board of Management would like to thank the staff of Red Hill for all their great work and dedication especially during our Whole School Evaluation (WSE) and we would also like to thank the parent body for their on-going support.

Thank you to all our students for a great year !

Have a great summer 2017



Fundraising Events:

This term we had two fantastic successful fundraising events;

- Strictly Come Dancing raised €10,063.00 and there was a great effort given by our staff especially Amy, Pat, Deinse, Jeff and Mark. Who worked tirelessly for months.
- Skydive challenge was arranged John Lewis and friends Skydive and raised €4,327.00. These most needed funds will benefit our children and school.



School Tours:

School Tours were enjoyed by our students and staff over the month of June. Classes visited such places as Lahinch, Tons of Fun, Stonehall Farm and McDonalds and Ballyhass Activity Centre to name just a few.



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Dates for your Diary:

School Re-opens Thursday 31st August 2017.

School calendar will be enclosed in each school report and will also be available on our website. www.redhillschool.ie

Junior Entrepreneur Programme

Students of Mulberry and Elm have worked hard on achieving their Junior Entrepreneur Certificates. Throughout the school year both classes have ran the school Tuck Shop. Every Friday the Tuck Shop is open for business. This programme promotes teamwork, confidence, independence, creativity and communication skills. The students involved have also learnt about how a small business operates and the importance of working in a team. This programme has various links with subjects on the school curriculum such as Mathematics, English and Art. It has proved to be beneficial to the classes involved.

Gardening continued this term with Jean. Since last September we planted peas, beans, potatoes, lettuce, tomatoes, carrots, strawberries, blackcurrants, mint, sage, thyme and rosemary. We are looking forward to cooking and eating a lunch on our last week before the holidays.

We hope the apples on our tree will be ready to eat too!

We also planted daffodils, made compost, cleared the leaves, fed the birds and made bugs, bees and ladybirds very welcome with the bug houses we put up on the fence.



What a wonderful day the 10th of June brought, when six enthusiastic athletes gathered at the sports grounds of Cork Institute of technology. Taking part in track and field events were, Glenn Keating, Ben Christianson, Louis Conrad Burke, Evan Keyes, Adam Lewis and Luke Whelan. Together they brought home a ribbon, five silver and six gold medals. A big thank you to Laura, Irene, Mary, Frieda, Mark and Denise for the extensive planning and training that made this day possible. Thank you again to the parents and athletes that made it to Cork. Once again, it was a very proud day for Red Hill School.

Confirmation:

Students from Red Hill received the sacrament of Confirmation. A special thank you must be given to the Parents Association and Patrickswell Parish who made this wonderful day possible.



What a busy term this term was we had active week 24th April – 26th April and our sport for the month was Rugby.

Kenneth McNamara from Munster Coaching Staff came and did some rugby drills with the students. Both Munster and Irish players Ronan O Mahony and Calvin Nash came to visit and talk with our children.

The Parents Association provided funding for some cool equipment for Active week; bouncing castles, jousting bed, electronic surf board and activity trail. Pictures can be seen on our website of all the activities.

Thank you Red Hill Parents Association for your great support.

There was a number of other activities that the children took part in such as, Zumba, My Gym and Yoga.

Geoff Hunt Biodiversity Consultant came in May and the children really enjoyed fishing in the stream in Adare with him and some older classes got to view some interesting creatures under microscope a great approach to our Science Curriculum.



Currently Limerick Sports Partnership are coming to the school one day a week coaching our children in Athletics to suit their individual needs. This is proving to be very successful and enjoyable.