

School Closure Newsletter 3

Week beginning 20th April 2020



What's been happening at home?

Dear families...

Hope you are well and coping at home during these difficult times.

Phone Calls Home:

Many of the teachers and teaching assistants have enjoyed speaking to you and your children over recent weeks through the telephone calls. We have enjoyed hearing your stories of how you're all keeping busy, and are trying your utmost to stay safe and well. Please use the calls as an opportunity to ask any questions you have about supporting your children at home.

We will continue to make phone calls home throughout the school closure to 'check-in' and stay connected as we feel that this is really important for the children and will help them with their eventual transition back into school. We are aiming for all children to receive a call from school at least once a fortnight. We look forward to speaking to you soon!

Support & Advice for Parents and Carers:

It is a testing time for families, please be aware that there is support out there should you need it:

- NSPCC Support and Advice for parents and carers: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/coronavirus-advice-support-children-families-parents/>
- Support for domestic abuse victims: <https://www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk/>
- Phone line support for children's emotional and mental health in Birmingham: <https://www.forwardthinkingbirmingham.org.uk/contact-us>
- The Educational Psychology Service are offering 30 minute telephone consultations to offer help and advice for coping with the challenges families face at this current time. E-mail the following address with your details to request an appointment: kate.smith@birmingham.gov.uk
- [Childline](#) - for support
- [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) - to report and remove harmful online content
- [CEOP](#) - for advice on making a report about online abuse

With the greater emphasis on 'learning online' we felt it was a good idea to remind families that there is lots of support available to keep your child safe online. During this time, it is especially important for parents and carers to be aware of what your child/children are doing online and who they are interacting with. Above and below are some useful links to help parents, carers and children.

Please be aware, If you choose to supplement our school online offer with support from online companies and in some cases individual tutors, we'd like to highlight the need to secure any online support from a reputable organisation/individual who can provide evidence that they are safe and can be trusted to have access to children. Support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online includes:

- [Internet matters](#) - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online
- [London Grid for Learning](#) - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online
- [Net-aware](#) - for support for parents and careers from the NSPCC
- [Parent info](#) - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online
- [Thinkuknow](#) - for advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online
- [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) - advice for parents and carers

[Rednal also has it's own 'Safer Internet Use Guidance' available by click here.](#)



Learning Support:

I've had a few enquiries as to where to find information on the website:

Our Learning Projects can be found at:

<https://www.rednalhilljuniors.com/parents-information/coronavirus-information-page/school-closure-learning-projects>

Key information like: letters sent, keeping my child safe, information for parents with children who have Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities can be found at:

<https://www.rednalhilljuniors.com/parents-information/coronavirus-information-page/coronavirus-information-page-2>

I'd just like to point out, we know it's Easter so there's no pressure to complete any of the online learning at this time.

If you have not got/misaid your child's online log-in for Bug Club or Times Table Rockstars we have a list of these for all pupils and can inform you of them over the phone when you next call us or we call you.

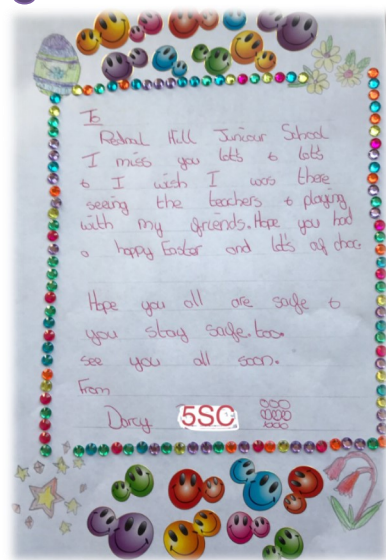
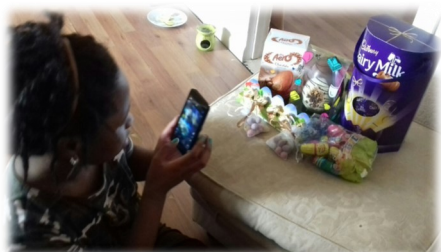
Art Competition Entries and Photos from Home:

Please keep sending in the 'Art Competition' entries to enquiry@rednalhilljuniors.com. We've really enjoyed looking through them.

Home Learning pictures

Please also keep sending in any home learning pictures for our newsletter to the same address, they've also been a joy to look through. **Please be aware 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 art competition entries in or pictures of home learning but don't want your child's details attached to the picture, can you please specify this.

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