#### **School Tours:**

School Tours were enjoyed by our students and staff over the month of June. Classes visited such places as Lahinch, Dublin Zoo, Tons of Fun, Foynes and McDonalds to name just a few.

#### Thank You:

Our volunteer bus drivers have been excellent this term **again** bringing our children on social outings and school tours. Emmet Mason and Damien Mulcahy.

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.

The Board of Management would like to than the staff of Red Hill for all their great work and dedication and 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 2016.

#### **Sports Day:**

Another great Sports Day was held on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June the children really enjoyed participation and they won medals for different events.

## **Green School Flag:**

The Green School Committee travelled to Cork in May to collect the Energy Flag. It is the 2<sup>nd</sup> flag to be awarded to Red Hill and the committee would like to congratulate all the children, staff and parents who helped us achieve this flag. Many thanks to Mary Ingle for driving the bus.

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## **Dates for your Diary:**

# School Re-opens Wednesday 31st August 2016.

Please note there will be an additional school closure in the first term. Date to be confirmed by the Department of Education and Skills. School calendar will be enclosed in each school report and also on our website. www.redhillschool.ie

## **Tuck Shop:**

The tuck shop is proving to be a great success with everyone, both children and staff are enjoying the treats on Fridays!

The students are getting a great opportunity to manage their money, use calculators and of course their mental maths.

## Gardening commenced this term with Jean McCormack.

The children had a lovely time creating our school garden. The children learned how food grows and where it comes from, healthy eating and developed a sense of ownership, responsibility and pride in their school grounds.

Gardening is a hands-on sensory learning experience and helps to develop a well-balanced individual. We also learned about bees and bugs and each child grew salad or a sunflower.





# **Special Olympics:**



What a day the 11<sup>th</sup> of June brought when a coach full of enthusiastic athletes and staff made their way to C.I.T. for the regional Special Olympic Games. It was a roaring success! Sixteen Red Hill athletes took part in two events each, which led to them bringing back 29 medals including 14 gold! Congrats to all who competed and a massive thanks to the amazing staff that volunteered. These include; Irene Carmody, Frieda Mc Namara-Kavanagh, Mary Ingle, Paula Culhane, Anne O Connor, Denise Munsterberg-O Brien and Denise Ingle. Thank you also to all the parents that attended Cork. Bring on next year.

#### 1916 commemorations

The Defence Forces marked the occasion by presenting the flag and Proclamation to the school as part of the 1916 commemorations. The children put in a lot of effort to learn the 'Foggy Dew' and the National Anthem. On the 15<sup>th</sup> of March, the whole school was in attendance to watch Joshua Flavin raise the flag to mark the Commemoration day. Everybody got into the spirit of the occasion! A big thank you to Denise, Niamh, Chris and Jane for all their hard work!

### **Communion and Confirmation:**

Two very special days happened this year. Students from Red Hill received both the sacrament of Communion and Confirmation. A special thank you must be given to the Parents Association and Parish Priest of Patricks who made this wonderful day possible.