

9th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we continue through what has been a very positive start to the academic year, I would like to thank our pupils, families and staff for their ongoing support and commitment. There is a strong sense of pride, ambition and purpose throughout the school, and it has been wonderful to see our pupils taking advantage of the many opportunities available to them.

Since my last bulletin, our **Key Stage 4 Careers Fair** has provided Year 10 and Year 11 pupils with an invaluable opportunity to explore their future pathways. We welcomed a range of colleges and training providers, all of whom offered advice and guidance to help pupils make informed decisions about life after secondary school.

We also held our **Year 11 Revision Evening**, which was extremely well attended by both pupils and parents. The evening focused on providing practical strategies for effective revision, organisation and preparation ahead of GCSE examinations. Year 11 is a pivotal year, and we are committed to working closely with families to ensure every pupil has the support, tools and confidence needed to achieve their very best. Thank you to all those who attended and demonstrated their commitment to their child's success.

Looking ahead, we are excited to host our annual **Open Evening on Thursday 15th October**. This is always one of the highlights of the school calendar and provides an opportunity to showcase the many strengths of our school to prospective pupils and their families. Our pupils are fantastic ambassadors for the school, and I know they will once again play a key role in making visitors feel welcome while demonstrating the excellent opportunities available at Reddish Vale High School.

We have also continued to strengthen and nurture our relationships with local primary schools. Building these partnerships is incredibly important as we support pupils through the transition from primary to secondary education. Over recent weeks, we have welcomed groups of Year 6 pupils to visit our school farm, where they have enjoyed learning about animal care and experiencing one of the unique aspects of life at Reddish Vale. In addition, our sporting fixtures with local primary schools have provided opportunities for younger pupils to visit our site, develop new skills and enjoy healthy competition while beginning to build connections with our staff and pupils.

This week, it was wonderful to welcome families into school for our **Family Cooking Class**. Pupils and their family members worked together to prepare and cook a delicious Mexican meal, followed by a homemade dessert. It was fantastic to see everyone enjoying the experience, developing new cooking skills, and sharing quality time together. Thank you to all who attended and helped make the event such a success.

Thank you once again for your continued support. By working together, we can ensure every young person benefits from a positive, enriching and successful school experience. I look forward to sharing further updates and celebrating many more achievements with you throughout the term.

Kind regards, Mr D. Moroney

Department in Focus – History



Year 11 History

Our Year 11 pupils have been working incredibly hard during Period 6 in preparation for their mock exams. History Period 6 is averaging over 90% attendance, demonstrating the determination and commitment of our pupils. Pupils have been completing exam questions, creating revision cards and revision clocks. Their continued effort has been fantastic to see.

Black History Month

October marks Black History Month, and the History Department has lots of exciting activities planned, including inspirational speakers, a hip-hop dance class and a range of competitions celebrating Black history, culture and achievement. We have already had a fantastic start to the month, with 14 Year 10 pupils attending the David Olusoga Black History Month Lecture at the University of Manchester. Our pupils thoroughly enjoyed the experience.



Take a look at these posters for more information about more events for Black History Month 2026 at RVHS.

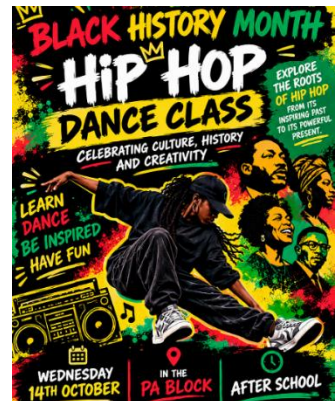
Around our school you will see posters of your teachers 'Black History Heroes'

Find 12 of these for your chance to win a prize

Completed sheets need to be handed to Miss Lees in HU2 by Friday 16th October

Black History Hero Competition Year 7

Entry sheets will be brought around during form time this week or you can collect one from your history teacher



Key Stage 4 Careers Fair

