

# Head's Message

# Rainow Round-Up

27th Jan—10th Feb 2023

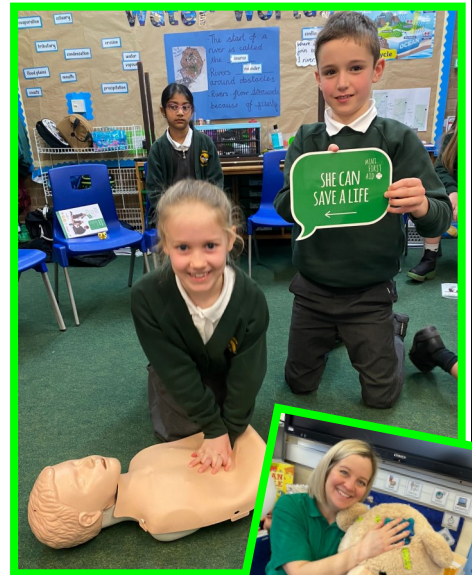


Caring, Learning, Achieving

The past couple of weeks have been extremely busy and interesting. Our children joined the world's biggest choir — Young Voices — at the Manchester Arena, took part in Safer Internet Day as part of Mental Health Week and finished off the week with a visit from the fantastic Mini First Aid team, who have now taught the whole school vital life-saving and first aid techniques!

On all occasions, aside from the enthusiasm, energy and growing talents, I have been most pleased with the 'impeccable' behaviour shown by our children. Helen and Amy (Mini First Aiders) remarked on how amazing, attentive and engaged all of our children were. We hope the hands-on practical first aid experiences will live in our children's memories for some time to come, and, with the support of the FRS, we have pledged to invite the Mini First Aid team to Rainow every year to keep our skills up to date.

The staff who accompanied the children to Young Voices described the experience as an 'absolute pleasure' — I cannot ask for more than that. I wish you all a lovely weekend.



MINI FIRST AID 



**Top:** Our children loved their lessons with the Mini-First Aid team. Thank you Helen and Amy!  
**Left:** The Young Voices experience is one that the children will never forget.

Attendance Matters



## School Attendance

School attendance since the start of term:

**95.97%** which is **GOOD** and an improvement since last time.

Please see our [Attendance Policy](#) for more information.

Please remember that you do not have the right to take children on holiday in term time and doing so may result in a fine.



# Awards and Celebrations

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**Rowan the Raven**



**Bramble the Badger**



**Fern the Fox**



**Speedwell the Squirrel**



**Oakley the Owl**



**The Busy Bees**

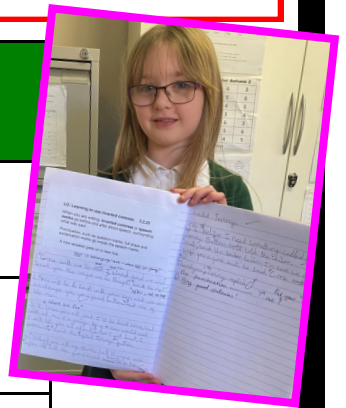
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## Rainow School Learning Values

Our Rainow Learning Values underpin all that we do at school. They are desirable traits that we constantly encourage the children to try and display. In addition to the usual reading and courtesy awards,

**THIS TERM, WE ARE ALSO FOCUSING ON WRITING PROGRESS WITH OUR NEW WRITING AWARD.**

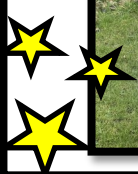
	Badge	Badge	Reading or Writing Award	Courtesy Award
Rec	Elise (Raven)	Riley (Raven)	Winston (Reading)	Hattie
	Arlo (Bees)	Iris (Raven)	Sophie (Reading)	Penny
Year 1	Harrison (Raven)	Lily (Raven)	Toby (Reading)	Skye
	Edie (Badger)	Bertie (Bees)	Francis (Writing)	Martha
Year 2	Jim (Bees)	Noah (Badger)	Hugo (Reading)	Oliver
	Poppy (Fox)	Archie (Badger)	Coralie (Writing)	Livvie
Year 3	Olivia (Raven)	Jenson (Raven)	Noah S (Reading)	Cara
	Silvie (Raven)	Grace (Fox)	Isla B (Writing)	Noah
Year 4	Joshua (Owl)	Scarlett (Raven)	Lincoln	Fraser
	Daniel (Bees)	Elanor (Fox)	Max (Reading)	Harrison
Year 5	Theo (Bees)	Harry Be (Raven)	Chloe	Toby
	George (Fox)	Alice (Raven)	Brodie (Writing)	Iris (Reading)
Year 6	Amaya (Bees)	Ada (Raven)	Freddie	Mia
	Georgia (Bees)	Sam (Raven)	Harrison (Writing)	Riley



**WRITING AWARDS**  
*Writing is one of the most challenging skills the children learn at school with so many different components to think about and apply. Isla (pictured above) was one of the first recipients of our new Writing Certificates, for showing accuracy and imagination in her work.*



**Y6 SPECIAL AWARD**  
*Izzy K: for being a superb role-model for others. She is creative, imaginative, intelligent and extremely confident and happy. A star pupil!*  
*Reuben: for consistently making excellent choices throughout his school career. He is a fantastic pupil: intelligent, hardworking, kind and multi-talented. A great ambassador for school!*





## Friends of Rainow School / FRS / PTA

Just a reminder that today (Fri 10th Feb) after school, the year 1 parents will host our Valentine's cake sale. Don't forget some money for cakes, biscuits and waffles.



We're really excited to be reviving the famous **Rainow School Quiz Night on 17th March**, which also happens to be St Patrick's Day. Tickets for Quiz Night are now on sale now at <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofrainowschool>. Tickets are £5 per person, including drink on arrival. There is a maximum of 8 people per team and doors will open at 7.30 p.m.

Dates for your diary. Full details will follow in due course:

- **10th February - Valentine's cake sale**
- **17th March - Quiz night**
- **24th March - Movie night**

### SCHOOL LOTTERY

You've got to be in it to win it, so please sign up to the **School Lottery** at [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk) and search for Rainow Primary School.



## Digital Leaders...Safer Internet Day Takeover

On Tuesday, our Digital Leaders did a terrific job of quizzing the children at playtime and the adults after school on how to stay safe online. Safer Internet Day is just a small part of our whole school e-safety lessons. Mr Trueman, our Computing Subject Leader, has created a comprehensive scheme of work to ensure our children understand the potential and power of technology and how to use it safely and effectively.

## Thank you to our Amazing Parents

Quite rightly, the majority of the Round-Up is usually about the children and the work we are doing to improve their education. However, It is always pleasing and humbling to hear about the charitable work undertaken by our whole-school community. On this occasion, we would like to say a huge well done and thank you to Nicola and Jim (pictured far left) for their incredible effort in donating aid and vehicles to the people of Ukraine.



# A look ahead... Rainow Round-Up

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## Mid-Year Parents' Evenings...Wed 8th March & Thurs 9th March

We wanted to give you plenty of notice about our mid-year Parents' Evenings, which we have planned for the second week back after the February half-term. This will be a chance to look through your child's books, enjoy their achievements, and discuss how we can support their next steps. We brought this meeting forward a few years ago so that there is time to receive specific actions to work on for the second half of the academic year. We will hold these meetings physically and open up the booking system on School Spider before half term. **We will open up the booking system next week, which will work on a first-come first-served basis.**

## NEU Teacher Strike...Tues 28th February

You might be aware of the planned industrial strike action by the NEU on Tuesday, 28th February. We will endeavour to keep the school open as usual on that day. Further information to follow.

## World Book Day...Thurs 2nd March

We are very excited to celebrate World Book Day during the first week back after February half-term. Please see the letter [here](#) from our English Subject Leaders, Mr Gratton and Miss Crowther. Thank you to the **FRS who are fully funding our visit from West End Schools and their Alice in Wonderland workshops.**

## British Science Week...Fri 10th – Sunday 19th March

Another highlight on the school calendar will be our visit from The Education Group, who will deliver their exciting [Space VR workshops](#) on Fri 17th March, to mark the climax of British Science Week. There will be a small cost per pupil for this amazing experience, and a huge **thank you, once again, to the FRS who are funding the majority of the event.** We will send out further information nearer the time.

### February

Fri 10th FRS Valentine's Day Cake Sale  
 Fri 17th **School closes for half-term**  
 Mon 27th **School reopens for children**  
 Tue 28th Potential NEU teacher strike **\*New**

### March

Thurs 2nd World Book Day  
 Tue 7th Alice in Wonderland Drama/Dance workshops  
 Wed 8th Mid-Year Parents' Evening 1  
 Thurs 9th Mid-Year Parents' Evening 2  
 Wed 15th Blue Cross Pet Safety Assembly  
 Fri 17th Red Nose Day Charity Fundraiser  
 VR Space Day Workshops (STEM)  
 FRS Quiz Night  
 Fri 24th FRS Movie Night  
 Tue 28th Book Fair  
 Fri 31st **School closes for EASTER**

### April

Mon 17th **School reopens for the children**  
 Thurs 20th Year 3 & Year 4 residential departs

Fri 21st Year 3 & Year 4 residential returns

### May

Mon 1st **May Bank Holiday, school closed for 1 day**

Mon 8th Key stage 2 SATs week commences for year 6 pupils

**School closed for King's Coronation**

Tue 23rd Class and Group photographs **\*New**

Thurs 25th **School closes for children**

Fri 26th **School closed for INSET day**

### June

Mon 5th **School reopens for children**

Wed 28th Tytherington High School Year 6 Information Evening 5.30—8.30 p.m.

### July

Mon 10th Tytherington High School Year 6 Taster Day

Fri 21st **School closes for summer break**

**A HANDY TERM DATES FOR 22-23 SUMMARY IS [HERE](#)**

**AND TERM DATES FOR 23-24 ARE [HERE](#)**



Diary Dates