



Caring, Learning, Achieving

I honestly cannot remember a busier fortnight at Rainow School. The Cheshire Show for our Choir and Orchestra, a residential trip for our Year 2, RainowFest (and the After Party!) for our Year 6s, a trip to Manchester Airport for our Reception children, an information evening for new parents and, to cap it all off, a visit from OFSTED!

Let's start with OFSTED. I am not permitted to tell you too much about our inspection until the official report has been finalised, which should take a few weeks. However, I can tell you that the feedback we received from the inspector was overwhelmingly positive. The word "impeccable" was used to describe the children's behaviour in and around school, and the inspector described the relationships between pupils and staff as very strong, positive and respectful. I am a firm believer that effective education is built on positive and respectful relationships, so I was delighted to see this aspect of our school shine so brightly. The children were simply sensational. It was a gruelling process, to say the least, and I will send more detail when I am able to. In the meantime, I just want to express how intensely proud I am of the whole school community for showcasing what an exceptional education we provide for the children. We sincerely appreciate your messages of support (both informal and via the survey) and, of course, the sugary treats! The results of the OFSTED parent survey are [here](#) for those of you who are interested.

I have chosen a few photographs for the front page of the Year 6s enjoying RainowFest (one of their end of primary school celebrations) before we come together for the After Party later today. It promises to be brilliant!



School Attendance

School attendance since the start of Sep 22:

96.2% which is **GOOD** and the same as last time

(96.2%). Remember, our target is 97%!

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.

A Night at the Museum for the Year 2s

Our [Pupil Promise](#) outlines the amazing enrichment opportunities that the children have throughout their time at Rainow School. A firm favourite is our residential trip offer. This programme starts in Year 2 with a one-night stopover at the [Catlyst Discovery Centre](#) in Widnes. Mr. Gratton and his team were delighted with how enthusiastic, “impeccably” behaved, and independent our 6 and 7-year-olds were, as they spent their time exploring the museum and the local area. Well done, Year 2, and thank you to all the staff for working tirelessly to ensure it was another safe and enjoyable experience for our children.



The Sky's the Limit for our Children

We can confirm that Reception Class made the absolute most of their trip to Manchester airport this week! Mrs. Daley and her team were astounded by the children's engagement, and the quality of their questions. The trip was part of their topic on Transport and inspired some excellent work back in school...



Rainow Entertain the Crowds at The Cheshire Show

Our School Orchestra and Choir visited the Cheshire Show last week and, by all accounts, were simply sensational. They meet each week to rehearse and we give them as many opportunities as we can to perform in front of an audience as we possibly can.



Safeguarding...Latest Update...Keep Children Safe this Summer

Keeping children safe and well is our main priority. **In case you missed it last time, here is a really useful poster** outlining how you can [Keep Your Children Safe During the Summer Holidays](#). It's an important time when children may have more unsupervised access to the internet. **Just a reminder, that in the rare circumstance that a child might need a mobile phone to contact families (this might be a y6 who walks home alone) that arrangement MUST be agreed with the school office / Headteacher and that device will be kept securely in the school office until it is needed.**

Please see our [Safeguarding Web Page](#) for detailed information about all of our school policies and procedures, including links to e-Safety.

A Look Ahead... Rainow Round-Up

16th–30th June 2023

Teacher Strikes...Next Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th June

You may be aware from continuing media coverage that there is still no resolution between the government and the NEU over teachers' pay and conditions, and school funding. As a result, the Union have declared further strike action, which will take place **next Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July**.

This is the latest information I have:

Wednesday 5th July: Reception Class will be closed. (Year 1 [trip to Lower Moss Wood], 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 are open and children should attend as normal)

Friday 7th July: Reception Class, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 will be closed. (Year 4, 5 and 6 are open and children should attend as normal)

Learning for classes at home

Parents and carers of the children in the affected classes are directed to Oak National Academy for opportunities for remote learning activities during any class closure days.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-key-stage>

Summer Snacks

Summer snacks are very tasty well and help teach the children an important life skill alongside giving you the flexibility to pick and choose which days to have them. There will always be someone to help the younger ones when they get to the till.

The choices available for sale are as follows:

Monday & Tuesday Toast, Bagel, or a Crumpet: 30p per item **Wednesday** - Toast, Crumpet or a cheesy Oatcake: 30p per item.

Thursday - Toast, Bagel, or a Strawberry Ice Smoothie (Diary free): 30p per item **Friday** - Toast, Bagel or 30p, or a Bacon bap for £1.10.



June

TONIGHT FRS Event: RainowFest, The Afterparty

July

Mon 3rd Y6 pupils set for All Hallows depart for transition residential

Y6 pupils set for Fallibroome—Taster Day

Wed 5th Y1 Trip to Lower Moss Wood

STRIKE DAY: Reception Class Closed ***NEW**

Fri 7th End of Year Reports sent to families

STRIKE DAY: Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 Closed ***NEW**

Mon 10th Tytherington High School Year 6 Taster Day

Fri 14th Macclesfield Swimming Gala

Mon 17th Y5 Visit Silk Museum

Y6 Summer Show: Wizard of Oz ***NEW**

Tue 18th Y6 Summer Show: Wizard of Oz ***NEW**

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

**A HANDY TERM DATES SUMMARY FOR 22-23 IS [HERE](#)
AND TERM DATES SUMMARY FOR 23-24 IS [HERE](#)**

Diary Dates

