



Caring, Learning, Achieving

A belated welcome back on what is always an incredibly busy and exciting time in primary schools. Now that Halloween and Bonfire Night are out of the way, it won't be long before the school is full of glitter, tinsel and Xmas play rehearsals! Last year, we introduced an initiative to begin each half-term based on one of the NHS's '[5 Steps to Wellbeing](#)'. On the first Monday back, we focussed on '**KEEP LEARNING**'.

As you can see from the pictures, there were some creative and exciting activities which allowed the children to experience, learn and enjoy things for the first time. In addition to the launch days, we have a carefully sequenced personal, social and health education (PSHE) curriculum, a trained mental first aider and Senior Mental Health Lead / SMHL (Mrs Eddie, Y6) and lots of nurture provision such as Forest School, for children who have been identified as needing some extra support.

Our first launch day was a great way to help keep this important topic at the forefront of our minds and help many children ease back into school life gently after some time away. If you are worried about your child's well-being in any way, do not hesitate to contact school and we will do our utmost to help. Children (in fact everyone) need to feel safe, well and happy if they are to learn, develop and thrive. Read all about our extensive well-being provision [here](#).

Finally, I wanted to mention how impeccably behaved and respectful our children were as we held a silence to mark Remembrance today. They have also produced some stunning and thoughtful work around the topic. Some of our pupils and staff will attend the church service and wreath-laying at Rainow Cenotaph this Sunday. Enjoy a safe and restful Remembrance weekend.



WELL-BEING LAUNCH DAY 1: KEEP LEARNING!

Top: The y6s loved learning new skills and how to play new games. Paul, the cycling instructor, was blown away by the y6s terrific behaviour and attitude as they learnt new skills as part of the Bikeability programme.

Bottom: The year 4s learnt and enjoyed a tasty new recipe!



School Attendance

School attendance since the start of Sep 23

96.8% which is EXCELLENT

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.



Rowan the Raven



Bramble the Badger



Fern the Fox



Speedwell the Squirrel



Oakley the Owl



The Busy Bees

Rainow School Learning and Life Values

[CLICK ON ANY BADGE TO LEARN MORE](#)

Our Rainow 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 awards, **THIS TERM, THE 'OTHER AWARD' MIGHT BE PRESENTED FOR ACHIEVEMENT IN ANY OTHER CURRICULUM SUBJECT.**

Well done to all the recipients!

	Badge	Badge	Other Award	Courtesy Award
Rec	Jack (Raven)	Finlay (Badger)	Emilia (Reading)	Gwen
Year 1	Xarlia	Lewis (Raven)	Elise (Reading)	Nancy
Year 2	James (Squirrel)	-	Ethan (Reading) Martha (Writing)	Edie
Year 3	Declan (Raven)	Olive (Badger)	Jim (Reading)	Poppy
Year 4	Angus R (Owl)	Noah B (Raven)	Daisy (Reading)	Leo
Year 5	Charlotte (Bees)	Ava (Bees)	Marion (Reading)	Cleo
Year 6	Harry Bu (Raven)	Alice (Raven)	Sophia (Writing)	Brodie

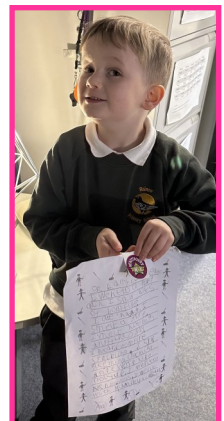


Y6 SPECIAL AWARD—OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

Toby: for being incredibly positive, intelligent, hardworking, kind and caring. A terrific ambassador for Rainow School. A total superstar!

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. We showcase children's work each week in our assembly to encourage accurate and creative work.



Y6s visit Liverpool

Our 10 and 11 year olds visited Liverpool this week as part of their geography work, comparing Liverpool to Whitby (where they recently spent 3 nights) and Macclesfield. They had a great time and even managed to hop on a ferry across the Mersey. Visiting a city is one of our pledges to the children in our [Rainow Pupil Promise](#).



Cake Sale

A huge thanks to the Y6 parents for making last week's cake sale such a success. You raised a fantastic £219.

PJ & Pizza Night 24th November 6pm

Tickets are now on sale for the PJ & Pizza Night! www.pta-events.co.uk/

friendsofrainowschool.com.

We've decided to return to the popular formula of serving pizza or hot dogs on the night (please let your class rep know of any allergies). We would also be grateful if you could send your child in with their own drink as we have found it tricky to cater to all tastes.

Don't forget it is also the same night as Rainow Pre-School's *Gifts Galore*, so why not pop in for some Xmas gifts on your way to the Robin Hood! For more info, contact Nat Bailey (Year 3 parent).

Xmas Fair 1st December 3.20 - 5.30pm

A huge thanks to those of you who have donated teddies, and for all the chocolate donations this morning. We know how crazy this time of year is with 101 things to remember, so we really do appreciate your support with this.

The next **FRS non-uniform day** is **Friday 24th November in exchange for a bottle of something** (wine/food/bath). Your class rep will send reminders nearer the time.

Don't forget it's **also non-uniform day on Friday 17th November for Children in Need** - the school office is in charge of this one!

Volunteers

As ever, the success of our events relies on an army of people to make them happen. **If you are able to help set up the stalls at the fair (from about 1pm) or do a shift on a stall, please contact Rebecca Ford on 07813 068330.**

Finally, there have been lots of **School Lottery** winners over the summer. You've got to be in it to win it, so please sign up at www.yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for Rainow Primary School.

A Look Ahead...

Times Table Rock Stars...

England Rocks...Starts Next Week.

We are excited to announce that we will be taking part in the TTR competition: England Rocks! We will be competing against other classes and schools across England to see who can score the most points. The event will run from Monday 14th November - Wednesday 16th November with a daily time limit of 7:30 - 19:30. To join in and score points, you simply have to log in to TTR and play on any game setting! If your child cannot remember their login, please contact their class teacher. Good luck!



A Look Ahead... Rainow Round-Up

6th–19th October 2023

Anti-Bulling Week 2023...Make A Noise...Odd Socks Monday

Next week is national Anti-Bullying Week. The theme this year is “*Make a Noise About Bullying*” and we will begin the week with our Odd Socks Assembly. **We would like all the children and staff to wear odd socks on Monday in the name of celebrating our uniqueness.**

The aim of the week is to remind and educate the children on the importance of recognizing bullying, to reinforce their understanding that they should never accept it, and to empower them to take action to stop it. Throughout the week, the children will engage in a range of lessons and activities designed to meet these objectives.

Read more about Anti-Bullying week [here](#) and read our anti-bullying policy [here](#).

Parents' Evenings...Next Wed 15th and Thurs 16th

Following the success of our Class Information sessions at the start of term, next week you will have the opportunity to meet your child's class teacher one to one, to discuss your child's strengths and areas for development. Please arrive at school a few minutes before your appointment and wait for a bell to signal the start and end of each appointment. There will be a small waiting area in the hall where you and your children can wait; however, space is limited.

Children's books will not be available at this meeting as we prefer to present them at the meeting after the February half-term (our mid-year Parents' Evening).

Children in Need 2023...Be Spotacular...Fri 17th Nov

Next Friday is Children in Need and we would like the children to come to school looking *spotacular*. Spotty clothes, face paints and bright colours are the order of the day in return for a small donation. The link to our Just Giving page is here: [Children in Need](#)



November

- 1st-30th Cut your Carbon ***NEW PPs**
- Mon 13th Anti-Bullying Week commences
Wear Odd Socks! ***NEW**
- Fri 10th Non-Uniform in exchange for Chocs/
Sweets ***NEW**
- 13th-24th Switch off Fortnite ***NEW PPs**
- Fri 17th Non-Uniform for Children In Need
***NEW**
- Fri 24th Non-Uniform in exchange for a bottle
***NEW**
FRS Movie Night 6pm
- Mon 27th Mini First Aid Training—School Hall
- Wed 29th No Pen day ***NEW**

December

- Fri 1st Xmas Fair 3.30pm
- Thur 21st Children's Christmas Lunch and Parties
Santa dash
- Fri 22nd Church service 2pm –3pm
School closes for Christmas.

January 2024

- Mon 8th **School reopens for the children**
- Sat 13th Mini First Aid—School Hall
- Wed 17th Whole School Trip to New Vic Theatre
- Fri 26th FRS Movie Night

February

- Tues 6th Safer Internet Day
- Fri 16th **School closes for half-term**
- Mon 26th **School reopens for children**

March

- Thur 7th World Book Day
- Thur 28th **School closes for EASTER**

April

- Mon 15th **School reopens for the children**
- Thur 18th Year 3 & 4 Chester Residential Departs
***NEW**
- Fri 19th Year 3 & 4 Chester Residential Return
***NEW**

May

- Mon 6th **May Bank Holiday, school closed**
- Mon 13th Key stage 2 SATs week commences for
year 6 pupils
- Thur 23rd **School closes for children**
- Fri 24th **School closed for staff INSET day**

June

- Mon 3rd **School reopens for children**

July

- Fri 19th **School closes for summer break**

Diary Dates



A HANDY SCHOOL HOLIDAY SUMMARY IS [HERE](#)