

Head's Message

Rainow Round-Up

22nd Dec 2023–12th January 2024



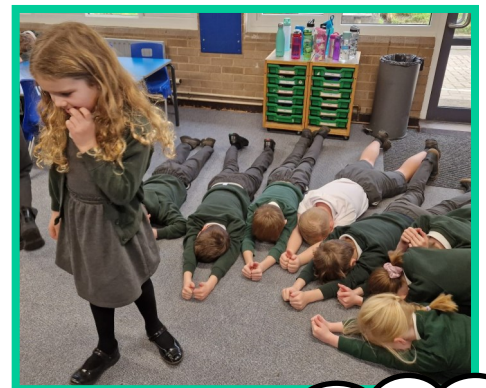
Caring, Learning, Achieving

A belated Happy New Year to you all! I hope you enjoyed a fantastic time with friends and family during the Christmas break. We wish you the warmest of welcomes back on what has been a cold, but thankfully dry, first week at school. It is a shorter Round-Up this week, with only a week's worth of learning to report on.

We spent the first day back focussing on one of the [NHS's '5 Steps to Wellbeing' - CONNECT](#). The children spent the day taking part in activities which encouraged reconnecting with friends and staff in a relaxed and enjoyable way. It proved to be an excellent way to start the term. Judging by the happy faces and interesting chats I have had this week, the children have returned to school in a typically positive and enthusiastic fashion.

2024 promises to be yet another amazing year at school. In addition to the many interesting learning experiences, we have some major sporting events to look forward to and inspire the children. There are the Olympics in Paris, and the Euro football championships in Germany to name a couple. Much closer to home and far more exciting will be our Rainow School's very own 40th celebrations! The school was built in 1984 and we are currently considering lots of exciting ideas for how to celebrate this momentous milestone. Watch this space...

That just leaves me to wish you all an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.



School Attendance

School attendance since the start of Sep 23

96.5% 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.



Teaching Assistant Vacancy

The following link will take you to the details of a current vacancy for the role of Teaching Assistant at our school, to begin ASAP. <https://www.rainowpri.cheshire.sch.uk/page/vacancies/1132> Please share with family and friends.

Free School Meals...2 Minute Job

Free School Meals are provided to children from families who meet certain criteria, including income eligibility. By applying and qualifying for Free School Meals, your child will not only receive free, nutritious meals but also contribute to the overall well-being and development of their education.

We understand that some families may be hesitant to apply, but we assure you that the process is straightforward and designed to support families who may be experiencing financial difficulties and it takes less than 2 minutes to apply.

Furthermore, it is worth mentioning that even if your child prefers packed lunches or you are not currently experiencing financial hardship, we recommend applying for Free School Meals if you meet the eligibility criteria. This is because qualifying for Free School Meals also provides your child with additional funding for the school, known as the Pupil Premium, which is used to enhance educational provision, e.g. to buy or subsidise additional educational resources (including school trips) to enhance their learning experience.

We strongly encourage all eligible families to apply for Free School Meals. Your application not only brings benefits to your child but also allows us to allocate resources more effectively and enhance the educational experience for our entire school community. To apply for Free School Meals, we kindly request that you use the following link: [Cheshire East Free School Meal Link](#)

Thank you for your attention on this matter. Should you require any further information or support, please do not hesitate to contact us in the office: admin@rainowpri.cheshire.sch.uk

January 2024

- Sat 13th Mini First Aid—School Hall
- Wed 17th Whole School Trip to New Vic Theatre
- Thur 25th FRS meeting , School Hall
- 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
- Weds 27th Y6 trip to The Lowry
- Thur 28th **School closes for EASTER**

April

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

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](#)