



Caring, Learning, Achieving

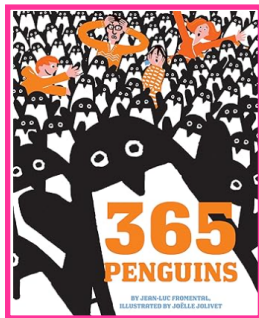
Welcome to a wintry-themed edition of the Round-Up. The weather has been cold, wet and wild over the past two weeks but it has not stopped some fantastic learning experiences for the children.

Firstly, I would like to express my gratitude to the FRS for subsidising our wonderful trip to the theatre last week. Our trip to the New Vic is always a winter highlight, and The Nutcracker in-the-round, was a spectacular treat for the senses. I was seated near to our Year 1 and Year 4 children who were totally mesmerized by the performance — a joy to witness! Visiting a theatre is part of our [Pupil Promise](#) to the children, and inspired some great work back in school.

Another highlight I would like to share is our focus on improving maths at Rainow. Mrs Eddie, our maths lead, tasked the teachers with designing their mathematics lessons around the brilliant book, '365 Penguins' by Jean-Luc Fromental. This was part of our commitment to make sure maths is relevant and interesting, helping them to develop their ability to reason and think more deeply about mathematical problems. Read Mrs Eddie's [Maths Update here](#).

All this talk of penguins and winter reminds me of a beautiful quote, which I would like to leave you with as I wish you a restful weekend:

"Snowflakes are one of nature's most fragile things, but just look what they can do when they stick together." (Vista M. Kelly)



Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....



School Attendance

School attendance since the start of Sep 23

96.6% 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	Prudence (Raven) Harriet (Raven)	Lily (Bees) Henry (Badger)	Florence (Reading) Ruby (Writing)	Doug Oscar
Year 1	Bronte (Fox) Jack (Raven)	Ernie (Badger) Charlie (Badger)	Xarlia Leo (Reading)	Harriet Sophie
Year 2	Freddy W (Bees) Fred J (Bees)	Ethan (Owl) Blaize (Raven)	Santi Tilda-Mae (Maths)	Wilson Isla
Year 3	Libby (Raven) Oliver (Fox)	Beatrix (Owl) Molly (Badger) Hugo (Bees)	Archie	Heidi Olive
Year 4	Isla B (Bees) Angus R (Squirrel)	Gian (Fox) Martha (Owl)	Lily –Belle Daisy (Maths)	Oliver Isla S
Year 5	Scarlett (Raven) Lincoln (Bees)	Josh (Badger) Lani (Bees)	Gabe (Reading) Fraser (Maths)	Eibhin Ava
Year 6	Edie (Raven) Iris (Owl)	Charlie (Raven) Brodie (Raven)	Isla (Maths) Alice (Writing)	Harry Be Chloe

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 effective work.

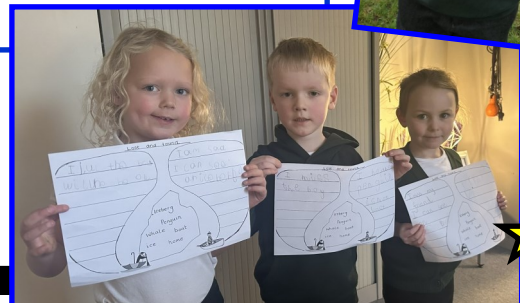
Y6 SPECIAL AWARD—OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

Greta: For impeccably behaved, extremely positive, super kind, hard-working and enthusiastic.

A model pupil.

Charlie: For being hardworking, determined, multi-talented, super-friendly, kind and caring.

A top class pupil.



Mid-Year Parents' Evenings

Mid-year Parents' Evenings are a chance to look through your child's books, enjoy their achievements, and discuss how we can support their next steps. Dates of this years' evenings are as follows:

Year 6: Wed 14th February and Thurs 15th February (**bookings will open for this today**)

Reception/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5: Wed 6th and Thurs 7th March (**bookings will be open next week**)

Year 2: Wed 20th and Thur 21st March (**bookings will be open next week**)

Please note that Year 2 evening has been delayed due to the fact their initial Parents' Evenings were only in December.

Parent Governor Vacancy...Nominations by Monday 5th March

A vacancy has arisen for a parent governor on our governing board. Please see the information letter and associated forms via this link: [PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY](#)

The closing date for nominations is Monday 5th March.

Teaching Assistant Vacancy...Closing Date...Friday 2nd February

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: [TEACHING ASSISTANT VACANCY](#) Please share with family and friends.

The closing date / time or applications is Friday 2nd February at midday.

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.

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

Fri 26th FRS Movie Night

February

Tues 6th Safer Internet Day

Fri 9th FRS Cakes Sale ***NEW**

Wed 14th Year 6 Parents* Evening ***NEW**

Thur 15th Year 6 Parents' Evening ***NEW**

Fri 16th School closes for half-term

Mon 26th School reopens for children

March

Thur 7th World Book Day

Fri 8th Book Sale ***NEW**

Fri 22nd FRS: Cake Sale ***NEW**

Thur 28th FRS: Break the Rules Day ***NEW**

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

Fri 26th FRS: Movie Night ***NEW**

May

Mon 6th May Bank Holiday, school closed

Mon 13th Key stage 2 SATs week commences for year 6 pupils

Fri 17th FRS: Bingo ***NEW**

Thur 23rd School closes for children

Fri 24th School closed for staff INSET day

June

Mon 3rd School reopens for children

Fri 7th Sports Day ***NEW**

July

Fri 19th School closes for summer break

A TERM DATES SUMMARY 23-24 IS [HERE](#)

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