



Caring, Learning, Achieving

"I have visited thousands of schools across the UK, and I can honestly say this is in my Top 5 favourite places to teach." exclaimed *Dan the Skipping Man* to our children after skipping and having fun with them last Friday (pics on pg. 3).

His comment encapsulates my feelings towards our children (although I am going to say we are No. 1!). As I sit here writing, the Year 5 and 6s are nearing the end of an incredible three-night visit to Malham, North Yorkshire, and the staff have been equally as

complimentary about the children. Ghyll scrambling, canoeing, caving and bouldering have been the order of the day, and it has been yet another amazing experience. These trips are designed to bring topics to life and offer numerous benefits, including the promotion of independence, resilience, and teamwork among the students. Participating in a residential is a key component of our [Pupil Promise](#), which comprises a list of pledges we make to the children that go above and beyond the curriculum to enrich their time at Rainow.

By all accounts, the children's attitude and behaviour this week have been simply exemplary. Watching and helping children overcome fears and try things out for the first time is such a privilege, and we should be very proud of them.

Thanks, as always, to Mrs Eddie and Mrs Trueman for leading, my other staff for so ably supporting, and to Alison (ex-Rainow parent), for all their hard work and care in making sure it has been another memorable, safe and successful week away. I hope you enjoy what looks set to be a sunny (ish) weekend!



Year 5 and 6 Malham Residential 2024



## School Attendance

School attendance since the start of Sep 24:

**98.1%** 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**



**Speedwell the Squirrel**



**Oakley the Owl**



**The Busy Bees**

## Rainow School Learning and Life Values

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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
<b>Rec</b>	Oliver (Bees) Lewis (Raven) Rowan (Badger)	Phoebe (Raven) Frank (Badger)	-	Ted Aurora Eleanor
<b>Year 1</b>	George (Raven) Florence (Raven)	Felix (Bees) Thea (Bees)	Owen Alexander	Tilly Pru
<b>Year 2</b>	Lewis (Raven) Ethan (Raven)	Nancy (Raven)	Elise Ben	Winston Harriet
<b>Year 3</b>	Tilda-Mae (Raven) Ethan (Raven)	Toby (Raven) Ted (Bees)	Lily	Fred Martha
<b>Year 4</b>	Heidi (Bees) Noah (Raven)	Emily (Raven) Harry (Bees)	Oliver Charlie	Oscar Coralie
<b>Year 5</b>	Noah B (Fox) Isla S (Badger)	Henry R (Raven) Alex (Badger)	Ava Cara & Elodie	Gian Henry B
<b>Year 6</b>	Scarlett (Badger) Cass (Raven)	Lincoln (Bees) Joshua (Squirrel)	Cleo Gabe	Monty Alice



### Y6 SPECIAL AWARD—OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

**Scarlett: for being kind, caring, conscientious, hard working, intelligent and thoughtful. An outstanding student**

**Max: for being intelligent, thoughtful, kind, multi-talented and conscientious.**

**A truly brilliant Year 6!**



# News / FRS Rainow Round-Up

20th September—4th October 2024

## Sport and PE at Rainow

Last week, we welcomed *Dan the Skipping Man* into school for an amazing day where all the children had a chance to improve their skipping skills! This is just one of the many opportunities for physical activity that our children receive at Rainow. In addition to their two sessions of PE per week (one session might involve sports with Alick, and the other features either gymnastics with Milly or street dance with Amy), the children can participate in a variety of other activities designed to raise their heart rates and put a smile on their faces. Antony from AT Sports joins us most lunchtimes, and our Year 6 play leaders always organise something fun for the children to engage in. Together with our Calm Area and play parks, playtimes are never dull at Rainow. Thank you to Miss Crowther, our PE Subject Leader, for keeping our children so happy and active!








**Top:** *Dan the Skipping Man* was simply blown away with the children's brilliant attitude and skills.

**Bottom:** Antony and our Play Leaders make sure playtimes are extra active and enjoyable.



## LUNCH-TIME TIMETABLE

DAY OF THE WEEK...	ACTIVITY...
Monday	YOGA 
Tuesday	GAMES 
Wednesday	SKIPPING 
Thursday	GAMES 
Friday	DANCING 



## Friends of Rainow School (FRS)—Our School PTA

### Pumpkin Party 18<sup>th</sup> October - tickets now on sale!

We can't wait for this one! The party for Infants will be from 6pm - 7pm and the one for Juniors will be 7.15pm - 8.15pm. Please book the correct ticket. You can also buy an entry ticket for the pumpkin carving competition - please bring ready-carved pumpkins to school in the morning.

[www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofrainowschool](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofrainowschool)

### Christmas Wreath-Making - Save the Date!

Back by popular demand! Tickets will go on sale shortly, but pop the date in your diary now - Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm in the school hall. £45 per person. We will send a message via Class Reps when tickets are live - you'll have to be quick, this is always a sell-out!

### FRS - Trustee Update

Rebecca Ford has stepped down as Chair after two years at the helm. In the interim period before the AGM, Rachel Gabbott has been co-opted as Chair and Jenny Neill has been co-opted as Secretary. All roles will be up for election at the AGM, to be held next half-term. We will communicate the date for this in the next Round-Up.

### Other ways to support FRS:

Buy a lottery ticket at [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk) (just search for Rainow Primary School).

Make a donation via Givey - <https://www.givey.com/friendsofrainowschool>



# A look ahead... Rainow Round-Up

20th September—4th October 2024

## Tytherington High School Open Morning...Tues 8th Oct...Please Inform Us

If you plan on taking your Year 6 child to THS for their Open Morning on Tuesday 8th October please email the school office [admin@rainowpri.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@rainowpri.cheshire.sch.uk) so that we can update our registers. Bookings for the morning are made direct with Tytherington High School, [transitions@tytheringtonschool.co.uk](mailto:transitions@tytheringtonschool.co.uk)

Year 5 Parents can also book to look around on the same day, but please be aware that places are limited and that Year 6 families will be prioritised.

## Harvest Collection...Silklife Food Bank...Thurs 17th October

Dan from the [Silklife Foodbank](#) will be collecting your harvest donations at drop-off on Thursday 17th October. We will hold an assembly to learn about, and celebrate Harvest. We will explain to the children how their donated items will really help those in need.

Please see the Silklife website for suitable items to donate.

### October

- Fri 4th Y5 / Y6 Residential returns
- Tues 8th Children's Flu Vaccination (whole school)  
THS Year 6 Open Morning **\*NEW**
- Thur 17th Harvest Assembly / Food Collection **\*NEW**
- Fri 18th FRS Event: Pumpkin Party **\*NEW**  
Just One Tree (Eco Event)
- Mon 21st Individual and Sibling Photographs
- Fri 25th **School closes for the children**

### November

- Mon 4th **School reopens for the children**  
Well-Being Launch Day 1 - KEEP LEARNING
- Mon 11th Anti-Bullying Week commences  
Parents' Evenings this week (tbc.)
- Fri 15th Children In Need Fundraiser
- Fri 29th Xmas Fair (tbc.)

### December

- Fri 6th
- Thur 19th Children's Christmas Lunch and Parties (tbc.)
- Fri 20th Whole School Church service  
**School closes for Christmas**

### January 2025

- Mon 6th **School reopens for the children**  
Well-Being Launch Day 2—  
CONNECT
- Wed 15th Whole School Trip to New Vic Theatre

### February

- Tues 11th Safer Internet Day
- Fri 14th **School closes for half-term**
- Mon 24th **School reopens for children**  
Well-Being Launch Day 3— TAKE NOTICE

### March

- Mon 3rd Mid-Year Parents' Evenings this week (tbc.)
- Tues 4th PE: Whole School Quidditch Day
- Thur 6th World Book Day

### April

- Fri 4th **School closes for EASTER**
- Tues 22nd **School reopens for the children**  
Well-Being Launch Day 4—STAY ACTIVE

### May

- Mon 5th **May Bank Holiday, school closed**

- Mon 12th Key stage 2 SATs week commences for year 6 pupils

- Thur 22nd **School closes for children**
- Fri 23rd **School closed for staff—INSET day**

### June

- Mon 2nd **School reopens for children**  
Well-Being Launch Day 5—GIVE

### July

- Fri 18th **School closes for summer break**

**HANDY SCHOOL HOLIDAY SUMMARIES:**

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**2025-26 [HERE](#)**

Diary Dates

