



Caring, Learning, Achieving

I say it every year because it is true: Rainow Primary School is definitely the best place to enjoy the Christmas build-up!

Our week has been crammed full of festive fun, beginning with our superb Christmas performances of "It's a Party" and the junior play, "Aladdin Trouble." We are so proud of the children; they never cease to amaze us with their enthusiasm, energy levels, confidence, and extraordinary talents—some of the acting was the best I've ever seen at this age! I tried my best to explain to each audience the benefits of children being involved in school performances, but it turns out the children are far better than I am when it comes to discussing the advantages of a Christmas production. When asked why they enjoyed the school plays, one usually shy child replied (as she pirouetted in front of me), "I used to be a bit nervous on stage, but now I love being in the spotlight—it just makes me feel happy!" job done.

I would like to say a massive thank you to all of our staff for their efforts above and beyond to put together such memorable, high-quality performances—a huge team effort in a really short time frame. With this in mind, it is traditional at this time of year to fill the Round-Up with lots of pictures from last week's performances.

I look forward to seeing many of you later at the church for our Christmas Carol Service. Please do come along for what is always a lovely, festive way to finish the year.

Finally, on behalf of the staff, a huge thanks for our cards and gifts, and I wish you all a safe and relaxing Christmas break.



There's RaiNOW business like Show Business!



School Attendance

School attendance since the start of Sep 24:

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.

Rainow Round-Up Christmas Edition

6th–20th December 2024



Reindeer Rush Fun!

Our Reindeer Rush was a huge success, raising approximately £2,125 for East Cheshire Hospice. Thank you to all the parents who helped marshal, and to Mrs Gabbott and her special helper for organising this brilliant event. A special mention goes to Harriet in Class 4, who once again raised an unbelievable amount for this worthy cause, which is close to her and her family's hearts. Followed by Frank (R) Ted (Y4), Silva (Y2) who also raised over £100



Christmas Lunch

Jo, Sandra, and Mr. Marg (or Mr Christmas, as he is quickly becoming known!) served a delicious Christmas lunch to the children and staff yesterday. Over 170 turkey dinners were followed by a tasty chocolate cake! Thank you to the kitchen team; we cannot wait to see what delights you have in store when you open the doors to Rainow Restaurant in 2025!





Friends of Rainow School (FRS)—Our School PTA

Another Big Thank You

It's been an extremely busy couple of weeks, so we will keep it brief! We want to say a huge thank you to everyone for digging deep at the play bars and pop up shops. Our elves are still calculating the total raised, but needless to say, they were very well supported and it was lovely to have so many parents helping out.

Coming Up:

Movie Night - Friday 24th January

FRS Committee Meeting - Tuesday 4th February

Committee Members Needed

It takes a lot of work to put together events to raise much needed money for the school, so we are always on the look out for new volunteers and fresh ideas! If you'd like to become more involved, please consider becoming a general member. You will be added to the committee WhatsApp group, where most of the work is done. Please email friendsrainowschool@gmail.com for more details.

Other Ways to Support the FRS

Buy a lottery ticket at 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

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Mrs. Paton...New Admin Assistant and Attendance Officer

A warm Rainow welcome to Mrs. Paton (Finlay's mum) who will replace our lovely Mrs. Gabbott in the school office at the end of January.

First Day Back in January...Well-Being Launch...CONNECT!

Just a reminder (nothing to do) that our first day back on Monday 6th January will be our second Well-Being Launch day. The theme this time will be CONNECT as we meet up in the new year after a lengthy break.



December

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

Diary Dates

HANDY SCHOOL HOLIDAY SUMMARIES:

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