



Caring, Learning, Achieving

Later today, we welcome back our intrepid 9-11 year olds from their 3 night residential to the Nightingale Centre in Great Hucklow where they have taken on a variety of exciting activities. I know that they will be exhausted and ready for a well-deserved rest this weekend, but I also know that they will have enjoyed an adventure they will never forget. I visited them yesterday and I was greeted by the Centre cook who, without prompting, told me that our children were some of the politest and pleasant children he had ever met. Not a bad start, and the day got better as we took on a 10km hike across the Derbyshire moors, in the sunshine! I am a firm believer that excellent education is built on positive, respectful and trusting relationships and that was certainly on show as I watched the children and adults genuinely enjoying one another's' company—not a moan or groan in sight! For those of you new to school, residential trips are well-established at Rainow, and are designed to bring topics alive and among many other benefits, encourage and develop independence, resilience and teamwork. Taking children out of their comfort zone in a safe and supportive environment is crucial if we are to develop confident, happy children armed with good judgement. We are delighted with the way our carefully considered programme of trips helps to achieve this. 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 the staff and to Alison Poyser (one of our ex parents) for giving up their time so generously and working extremely hard to provide another interesting, enjoyable and safe experience for our children.



**Year 5 and year 6 Residential Trip**

*Still smiling after a full day's hike!*



### **School Attendance:**

We are pleased to say that school attendance is currently **97.5% 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.



**Rowan the Raven**



**Bramble the Badger**



**Fern the Fox**



**Speedwell the Squirrel**



**Oakley the Owl**



**The Busy Bees**

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## Rainow School Learning Values

Our Rainow Learning Values underpin all that we do at school. They are desirable traits that we constantly encourage the children to try and display. The teachers pick at least children each week to receive a badge. We also present Reading and Courtesy certificates.

	Badge	Badge	Reading Award	Courtesy Award
Rec	Bronte (Fox)	Charlie (Fox)	Lewis	Ernie
	Nancy (Raven)	Ben (Raven)	Hattie	Oonagh
Year 1	Rowan (Bees)	Ted (Badger)	Martha	Freddy
	Ethan (Raven)	James (Bees)	Molly	Toby
Year 2	Coralie (Bees)	William (Fox)	Declan	Livvie
	Jake (Bees)	Olive (Badger)	Harriett	Martha
Year 3	Antonia (Raven)	Lily-Belle (Badger)	Jenson	Gianluca
	Leo (Raven)	Noah B-R (Fox)	Ava	William
Year 4	Eibhin (Squirrel)	Ava (Fox)	Marion	Scarlett
	Monty (Owl)	Cas (Badger)	Ava	Max
Year 5	Luke (Raven)	Sophia (Fox)	Lily	Toby
	Harry Bu (Bees)	Holly (Raven)	Henry	Greta
Year 6	Olivia (Raven)	Felix (Raven)	Lizzy	Ada
	Anais (Badger)	Digby (Fox)	Harrison	Amaya



**Y6 SPECIAL AWARD**  
***Riley: For making a fantastic start to Y6. He is friendly, funny, hardworking, helpful and determined. A superb pupil.***  
***Isabella K: For being bright, enthusiastic and friendly. An excellent and multi-talented pupil.***



# Rainow Round-Up

23rd Sep—7th Oct 2022

## Friends of Rainow School—Our School PTA

Movie night tickets are available to buy now!

We are showing **The Bad Guys** on Friday 14th October 18.00-20.00. The ticket includes a drink and Granellis ice cream with sauces and sprinkles.

Tickets are £5 and are available at

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofrainowschool/>

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](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk) and search for Rainow Primary School.



## Gardening Club and Planet Protectors Update

Gardening Club has been very busy this term. The children have worked in multi-year teams harvesting courgettes, squashes, beans, peas, potatoes, radishes, beetroot and salad leaves as well as caring for the sensory flower bed. Plans for the remaining weeks include sowing broad beans, onions sets and elephant garlic and planting spring flowering bulbs.

A special mention to Juliet in Year 5 for her hard work over the summer break looking after our school garden. Thank you, Juliet for your outstanding effort.

*"Over the summer holidays I helped look after the school garden. I regularly went to check the vegetables and watered them if they were dry. When they were ready to pick, I took some home to eat. I picked some radishes to eat and gave the green stems to my guinea pigs. They enjoyed them! I also picked some courgettes. We cut them in half and baked them with cheese on top. They were delicious. We also picked some salad leaves to eat. I enjoyed doing this over the summer holidays. It kept me busy when I was bored and it meant the vegetables weren't wasted."*

By Juliet, Y5.

The Planet Protectors (our Eco Team) were thrilled to receive the top award from Eco School initiative...The Green Flag. They will update you on their work to maintain this award as the year progresses. Watch this space...



## Sports Desk

Cross-country season has returned and our Year 3 and 4 runners did a fantastic job of representing our school last Wednesday! Thank you to all parents who attended and supervised the race. We look forward to seeing a new group of children enter another the Y3/4 race next week, followed by a group of Y5/6 children on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October (letters to be handed out next week).



# A look ahead... **Rainow Round-Up**

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## **Whole-School Walk to White Nancy...Next Thursday... Permission Needed**

Weather permitting, next week we plan on taking the school on a lovely walk up to White Nancy (Reception class will take a shorter route). This has become something of an annual tradition and reminds the children of the amazing countryside and learning opportunities on their doorstep.

**If you haven't already, please give your permission for local walks on you School Spider App.**



## **Diary Dates**



A calendar for the year ahead is given below and is also available on the school website. Further details will be provided closer to the events but this should provide a useful overview. Please add these dates to your calendar.



### **October**

Fri 7th Y5 / Y6 Residential returns  
Thur 13th Whole School Walk to White Nancy **\*New**  
Thur 20th **School closes for the children**  
Fri 21st **School closed for INSET day**  
Mon 31st **School reopens for the children**

### **November**

Thur 3rd Individual and Sibling Photographs **\*NEW**  
Mon 14th Anti-Bullying Week commences  
Fri 18th Children In Need Fundraiser  
Thurs 24th FRS event: Wreath Making

### **December**

Fri 2nd FRS event Xmas Fair  
Thur 15th Children's Christmas Lunch and Parties (tbc.)  
Fri 16th **School closes for Christmas.**

### **January 2023**

Tues 3rd **School closed for INSET day**  
Wed 4th **School reopens for the children.**  
Thur 26th Whole School Theatre Trip

### **February**

Tues 14th Safer Internet Day  
Fri 17th **School closes for half-term**  
Mon 27th **School reopens for children**

### **March**

Thur 2nd World Book Day  
Fri 17th Red Nose Day Charity Fundraiser

**Fri 31st**

**School closes for EASTER**

### **April**

Mon 17th **School reopens for the children**

### **May**

Mon 1st **May Bank Holiday, school closed for 1 day**  
Mon 8th Key stage 2 SATs week commences for year 6 pupils  
Thur 25th **School closes for children**  
Fri 26th **School closed for INSET day**

### **June**

Mon 5th **School reopens for children**  
Wed 28th Tytherington High School Year 6 Information Evening 5.30—8.30 p.m.

### **July**

Mon 10th Tytherington High School Year 6 Taster Day  
Fri 21st **School closes for summer break**

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

**THERE ARE STILL VARIOUS KEY DATES YET TO BE CONFIRMED SUCH AS OUR XMAS FAIR, XMAS PLAYS etc.**

**WE WILL KEEP YOU UPDATED WITH ALL ADDITIONAL DATES OR ANY CHANGES AS THE TERM PROGRESSES.**