



Caring, Learning, Achieving

Welcome to this special edition of the Round-Up. There will be a final newsletter before the Christmas break, but with lots of exciting events and activities planned, I wanted to make sure you have all the essential information at your fingertips at this busy time of year.

TODAY...Mini Christmas Fair...3.10 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

We are looking forward to our first ever *Mini* Christmas Fair beginning at 3.10 p.m. today. The FRS and school staff will be working hard to make it a fun and enjoyable community event with, among others, the usual raffles, tombola, and a festive performance by the School Choir at 4 p.m. We took the decision to downsize our Fair a little this year in an effort to reduce the stress and financial pressures for all involved. It promises to be the perfect way to kick start the Christmas period.

Thurs 8th December...National Christmas Jumper Day

We will be celebrating National Christmas Jumper Day next Thursday, 8th December, when your child will be able to come to school dressed in their finest festive attire! We are aware of the financial pressures and numerous requests at this time of year therefore, we are only asking you to make a voluntary contribution if you feel able.

There really is no obligation. Our JustGiving page is here: [Rainow School Christmas Jumper Day 2022](#)

The only other thing to add is that we are trying to make this Jumper Day the greenest yet, and there are a whole host of creative and crafty ideas around being more environmentally friendly [here](#).

Tues 13th...Wed 14th December...Christmas Performances

The Hoity Toity Angel (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)...Snow White (Year 3 and Year 4)

The children are hard at work practising their lines, singing songs and perfecting their dance moves! **Please see the letter attached for more details, including how to order tickets.** Year 5 and year 6 will take centre stage at the end of the summer term.

Final Week...Christmas Parties...Party Clothes

The staff will be leading the games and dancing at these fun-filled events, and thanks to the FRS for providing the Christmas tree, prizes, food and drink. Children are welcome to come to school in their party clothes, but please bear in mind that they might need to have two outside playtimes (possibly an Elf Run) before the parties begin!

Your class teacher will let you know the date of your child's party via their online learning platform.

Thur 15th Dec...Elf Run...Xmas Lunch

We will be having fun and raising money for East Cheshire Hospice at the annual Elf Run. Please send any sponsorship money with your child on the day.

Jo and Philippa are busy making preparations for a delicious Christmas Lunch. Please see school spider to confirm if you would like your child to have this Lunch.



Fri 16th Dec... Rainow's Got Talent

It is tradition at Rainow to finish the year off in style with a morning where the children can showcase their many talents. Jokes, dancing, magic tricks, it really can be anything, just so long as they have practised!

Entry forms will be available with you child's teacher.

It is genuinely one of my favourite events of the year!



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	Oonagh (Raven)	Lewis (Raven)	Winston	Sam
Year 1	Wilson (Squirrel)	Hattie (Badger)	Lily	Rowan
Year 2	Jasper (Badger)	Beatrix (Badger)	William	Libby
Year 3	Ava (Bees)	Anna (Owl)	Leo	Grace
Year 4	Elanor (Owl)	Daniel (Raven)	Gabe	Edha
Year 5	Nathan (Badger)	Brodie (Squirrel) Woody (Badger)	Ruby Brodie	Harry Archie
Year 6	Izzy (Squirrel) Lizzy (Raven)	Ada (Owl) Frank (Owl)	Tilly Digby	Anais Felix



Y6 SPECIAL AWARD
Amaya: For being incredibly kind, caring, intelligent and hard working. An absolute superstar!
Martha: for being bright, enthusiastic, energetic and incredibly hard working. A totally fantastic and friendly pupil.



RainowMail

We have set up our post box in school for children who would like to send cards to one another and to the staff. We are conscious of the potential negative environmental impact of sending cards, so we ask, where possible, that cards are recyclable. The post box is just at the top of our steps near to the office and will be sorted by our team of elves in KS2 every day. Happy writing!



Making Monsters in Year 1!

Year 1 are busy making monster puppets as part of their Design and Technology lessons. They started by investigating puppets and how they are assembled, and then set about designing their very own. Now they are at the making stage, they invited Year 1 parents to help them to cut and sew! Thank you so much for the help, and please let your teacher know if you can spare any time at school this year in any way at all. We will post some pictures of their final monstrous creations!



KEEP LEARNING, EVERYBODY!



Bikeability

We are delighted that there are various external providers/experts who help us to teach the children how to keep themselves and others safe: swimming lessons for year 3s, Year 5 fire safety, community safety assemblies from our PCSO, and first aid lessons for Year 6 are all good examples. Bikeability is taught at Level 1 in Year 5, and the Year 6s (pictured) are taken on the roads to complete their Level 2 qualification. The instructors commented on their excellent behaviour and fantastic cycling skills!



Friends of Rainow School—Our School PTA

The Friends of Rainow School have been very busy these last two weeks, pulling together the final bits of glitter and tinsel for today's **Mini Christmas Fair**. As ever, events like this wouldn't be possible without the support of the whole school, so a huge thank you to everyone - teachers and parents - who has donated something or volunteered to help out. It really does make a difference.

We're also delighted to report that a very successful **Christmas Wreath-Making** event took place on 24th November, raising £175 towards our £6,000 goal for this academic year - a brilliant start. A huge thanks to The Flower House and our very own Chloe Wallace for making it happen.

Please be reminded that there is a clothes bank in the top car park, a good opportunity to have a clear out before Christmas.

Finally, you've got to be in it to win it, so please sign up to the **School lottery** at www.yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for Rainow Primary School.



A look ahead...

December

Fri 2nd	Xmas Jumper Day FRS event Xmas Fair
Thur 8th	National Xmas Jumper Day *NEW
Tue 13th	YR/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4 Christmas Play (1.30 p.m.)
Wed 14th	YR/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4 Christmas Play (6.30 p.m.)
Thur 15th	Elf Run (Xmas Jumpers) *NEW Children's Christmas Lunch and Parties
Fri 16th	<u>School closes for Christmas.</u>

January 2023

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

February

Tues 14th	Safer Internet Day
Fri 17th	<u>School closes for half-term</u>
Mon 27th	<u>School reopens for children</u>

March

Thur 2nd	World Book Day
Fri 17th	Red Nose Day Charity Fundraiser
Fri 31st	<u>School closes for EASTER</u>

April

Mon 17th	<u>School reopens for the children</u>
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May

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

June

Mon 5th	<u>School reopens for children</u>
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	<u>School closes for summer break</u>

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

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