Head's Message

Rainow Round-Up

3rd–23rd October 2025

Caring, Learning, Achieving

Thank you for taking the time to read this final edition of the Round-Up for the half-term. The first eight weeks of the academic year have flown by — busy, full of energy, and filled with memorable moments. On the front page, you'll find a few snapshots capturing some of my personal highlights from the past 3 weeks: Just One Tree Day, our Harvest Celebration and Collection, and, of course, the FRS Pumpkin Party!

Our enthusiastic Planet Protectors once again led the way with Just One Tree Day, inspiring everyone to take action for the environment. The creativity on display was outstanding. It was a *treemendous* day for a brilliant cause. My thanks to Ms. Barber (our new PP Leader!) and her team for organising this event.

A huge thank you for your generous harvest donations to the Silklife Food Bank. We're proud to continue supporting such an important local charity and to hear that our school remains one of the top contributors in the area. Your kindness really makes a difference.

The FRS Pumpkin Party returned with a frightfully fun evening of spooky costumes, ghoulish games, and plenty of pumpkins! It was fantastic to see families and friends coming together once again to celebrate. Thank you to everyone who helped to make it such a successful community event — the children had a wonderful time.

Finally, I'd like to wish you all a safe and enjoyable half-term break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday, 3rd November, for our first Wellbeing Launch Day of the year — the theme this time is "Keep Learning."



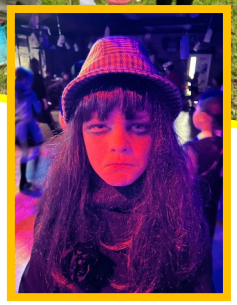






Just One Tree Day: £170.80











Attendance Matters

Every Day Counts....

School Attendance

School attendance since the start of Sep 25:

96.5% 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.

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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.

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	Zach (Raven) Thomas (Raven) Hattie (Raven)	Parker (Badger) Bea (Badger) Amelie (Raven)	Lily River Juniper	Eva Riley Hazel
Year 1	Poppy (Raven) Elliott (Squirrel) Isla (Raven	Sophie (Raven) Oliver (Badger) Bertie (Raven)	Dora Emmett Georgie, Frank	Lewis Lily
Year 2	Pru (Raven) Harriet (Badger) Harriet S (Bees)	Henry A (Bees) Lily (Fox) Doug (Bees)	Finlay N Tilly Ella, Felix	Karina Emilia
Year 3	Ralph (Fox) Arlo (Fox) Arlo (Bees)	Elise (Badger) Jack (Raven)	Silva, Charlie Bronte, Safi Lewis	Harriet Bronte
Year 4	Tilda H (Badger) Harrison (Owl) Isla (Raven)	Toby L (Fox) Skye (Badger) Blaize (Owl)	Francis Jamie L Hattie R	Martha Freddy W Wilson
Year 5	Poppy (Badger) Noah B-C (Badger) Florence (Fox) Oliver (Fox)	Jake (Badger) Declan (Badger) Beatrix (Raven) Chalrie (Badger)	Finlay William Mollie Coralie	All of Y5 Emily
Year 6	Silvie (Bees) Elodie (Badger) Daisy (Squirrel)	Angus (Raven) Henry B (Owl) Martha (Fox)	Alex Angus R William	All of Y6 Martha Gian







Y6 SPECIAL AWARD

Ava: *for being energetic, bubbly, kind, intelligent and full of fun. A total superstar!*

Henry B: *for being incredibly positive, happy, sociable, energetic, multi-talented and hard working. A brilliant all-rounder!*

Lilly-Belle: *for being happy, bubbly, hard-working, intelligent, kind and caring. A truly fantastic member of our school!*

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Football

The Year 6 boys enjoyed a fantastic afternoon recently in their first competitive matches representing Rainow School. Taking part in the Primary Schools' Cup Competition, hosted by Kings' School, the team performed brilliantly—reaching the quarter-finals and only narrowly losing 1–0 to Whirley. They are now eagerly looking forward to the upcoming league competition. Well done to all the children for their teamwork and determination, and a big thank you, as always, to Colin for his expert coaching and support!





Chess Club

Our Chess Club continues to grow in popularity and success. Alex had this to say about their latest trip to Lady Barn House School: "It was a really enjoyable morning, playing chess to a high standard in a tournament comprised mostly of strong independent schools. All of our children played three games, and we scored a combined 12 wins out of 18 to take third place, just half a point behind Altrincham Prep. in a nail-biting finish. All of our six players contributed at least one of those wins, so a great team performance."

Autumn Winter Menus

Our kitchen duo Jo and Sandra

continue to develop delicious and creative meals for the children to enjoy.

Today's Halloween Menu was a huge success and a record number of meals were served from a spookily decorated kitchen!

New Autumn / Winter start on 3rd November—menus have been sent out via Arbor and are available to











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FRS News...

Pumpkin Parties

Thanks to all who supported the Pumpkin Parties last Friday. It was made possible by a great team of parent (and other relative) volunteers as well as staff giving their time to stay to run the disco and games for the children. We were amazed at how beautifully polite the children were when coming to the tuck shop and other activities. Thanks to all parents who supported with decorations, costumes and pumpkin decorating! We raised a fantastic £600 for school funds.

Cauliflower Cards – Christmas Cards and Gifts

Thanks for ordering and sending back your child's Christmas card designs – another important fundraiser for the school which hopefully helps with the Christmas gift buying and wrapping too!

Y6 Halloween Cake Sale

Thanks to Y6 parents and children for supplying cakes for the cake sale and running the stall. It's lovely to see the children taking on some responsibilities in this way and there were some very business savvy salespeople from the class. Another fabulous £85 raised for school funds.

Friends of Rainow School – AGM



Thanks to those parents who came to our first meeting of the school year. It was great to meet some new faces and hear some new ideas which we hope to take forward this year. The meeting was advertised as our AGM but we had to postpone this element of it because the accounts need to be checked before this. Fortunately someone has come forward to offer their support with this and so we will soon announce the revised date for the AGM which we hope to hold in November.

Announcing our Creative Christmas evening – date TBC

We're very excited to announce that our Creative Christmas evening this year will be hosted by Ali from Stitchy Feet/Makers at the Market and you will have the opportunity to embroider a very special personalised bauble decoration with your child's or pet's name on it. As soon as we finalise the date we'll send something out via the WhatsApp groups but if this sounds right up your street and you'd like the information hot off the press do WhatsApp Jenny on 07941386572. It's going to be wonderfully festive with mulled wine, festive treats and music.

Christmas Fair - Save the date – 5th December after school

If you would like to be involved in planning and/or volunteering at this event please let Jenny or Rachel (07786001336) know. It takes a whole team to bring the Christmas magic to Rainow School!

Movie Night - Save the date – 12th December - film TBC.

Have a wonderful half term holiday everyone!

A look ahead... Rainow Round-Up

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Well-Being Launch Day 1...Keep Learning

Just a reminder that the first day of each half term will be linked to one of the NHSs recognised 5 Steps to Mental Well-Being. Monday 4th November will focus on KEEP LEARNING, and the teachers will provide some activities and experiences to help the children ease back into school life in a relaxed and mindful way. There is nothing to prepare for other than to know that it will be a lovely way to start the half-term.

Remembrance Day...Gift Shop

Various Poppy Day items will be on sale when we return after half-term: Snap Bands - £1.50, Reflectors—50p, Wristbands—£1 and Paper Poppies - 50p and a free sticker with every donation. All proceeds will be donated to the Royal British Legion.



Diary Dates

October

Fri 24th	**INSET DAY—TEACHERS ATTEND**

November

Mon 3rd	**School reopens: AUTUMN 2**
	Well-Being Launch Day 1 - KEEP LEARNING
Mon 10th	Anti-Bullying Week commences
Weds 12th	Parents' Evening
Thur 13th	Year 6 Bikeability
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Fri 14th	Year 6 Bikeability
	Children In Need Fundraiser
Wed 26th	Children's Flu Vaccination (whole school)
Fri 28th	Xmas Fair (tbc.)

December

Thur 18th	Children's Christmas Lunch & Parties
Fri 19th	Whole School Church service
	School closes for Christmas

January 2026

Mon 5th	**School reopens: SPRING 1**
	Well-Being Launch Day 2— CONNECT
Fri 9th	Whole School Trip to New Vic Theatre

February

Tues 10th	Safer Internet Day
Fri 13th	**School closes for half-term**
Mon 23rd	**School reopens: SPRING 2**
	Well-Being Launch Day 3— TAKE NOTICE

March

Mon 2nd	Mid-Year Parents' Evenings this week (tbc.)
Thur 5th	World Book Day
Fri 27th	**School closes for EASTER**

April

Mon 13th	**School reopens: SUMMER 1**
	Well-Being Launch Day 4—STAY ACTIVE
Thurs 16th	Year 3 / Year 4 Residential commences
Fri 17th	Year 3 / Year 4 Residential ends

May

Mon 4th	**School closed for early May Bank Holiday**
Tues 5th	**School reopens**
Mon 11th	Key stage 2 SATs week for year 6 pupils
Thur 21st	**School closes for children: HALF TERM**
Fri 22nd	**INSET DAY—TEACHERS ATTEND**

June

Mon 1st	**School reopens: SUMMER 2**
	Well-Being Launch Day 5—GIVE

July

Fri 17th	**School closes for Summer**

A HANDY SCHOOL HOLIDAY SUMMARY FOR 2025-26 IS HERE