Head's Message

Rainow Round-Up

13th–27th Feb 2026

Caring, Learning, Achieving

Welcome back to school! I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable half-term break. There's just one week to report on as we begin what promises to be a short but very busy run-up to Easter. With World Book Day, British Science Week and Parents' Evenings ahead (to name just a few events), it's important to keep an eye on diary dates and check your emails regularly so you don't miss any key information.

Below, I have included a selection of photographs from our Well-Being Launch Day. The theme was "Take Notice", and the children certainly embraced it. They observed the clear signs of spring emerging while taking part in a range of activities, including observational art in our woods, a visit to Cali Brook, class yoga sessions and creating their own Magic Eye posters using the Chromebooks! As you can see, they made the most of our stunning outdoor environment. It was a wonderful way to welcome everyone back in a calm and reflective manner, while reinforcing the important messages around health and well-being.

Finally, the milder weather and longer days appear to be having a positive impact on attendance, which was nearly 100% this week. This is particularly encouraging as we continue to recover from the unusually high levels of illness-related absence during the autumn term. Attendance at Rainow has always been strong, with most children achieving 95% or above. Our whole-school target remains 97%, and your continued support in prioritising attendance makes a real difference. Please also take a moment to read the attendance information poster recently shared by Cheshire East.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy weekend.













FRS News... Rainow Round-Up

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Save the date – Friday 13th March – Movie Night in the school hall – film to be confirmed. Please look out for further information on the WhatsApp groups.

We will do another **Pre-loved Uniform** stall in a few weeks so please think about passing on any preloved uniform that your child might have outgrown. Recycling and reusing clothes which would otherwise go into landfill is a good way to help the environment.

We're going to be doing a **plant sale** in a few months to raise money for developing the school garden. With this in mind we're asking for the following donations (links are illustrative – don't need to be bought new, you may have some pre used ones that we can use):

- Module trays for seedlings - Seed Tray, Pack of 5, 40 Small Cell Inserts. I have also heard that these are for sale in the ALDI middle aisle so if you feel called to pop one in your trolley we'd really appreciate it!
- Multi purpose compost - Miracle-Gro Peat-free Multi-purpose Compost 50L
- Manure (if you own or look after horses or chickens) – there are now some trugs for this purpose round the back of the storage container (accessed from the car park).

You can contact Jenny (07941386572) or Marianne (knowlesmarianne+plants@gmail.com) if you have any questions about the garden projects.

It's been lovely to hear from people that the sweet peas are growing, if they get tall and look like they need some support you can use bamboo skewers to support them. They should still be ok in the deep pots that were given out at the moment. We've also been happy to see the daffodils and other bulbs that were planted starting to appear.



A look ahead... Rainow Round-Up

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World Book Day— Thursday 5th March

Click **here** to find the letter with all of the details of how we will celebrate World Book Day in school.

Parents' Evenings...Mid-Year...Book Your Appointment Today!

We hold these appointments so that you can celebrate your child's achievements so far, and discuss areas for further development. It is also a chance to look through their books.

Dates for Reception—Year 5 are Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th March and are available to book on Arbor. Appointments for Year 6 sessions will be arranged when Mrs Eddie has settled back into school—most likely week commencing 20th March.

Diary Dates: March-July 2026

March			**May**	
Thur 5th	World Book Day		Mon 4th	**School closed for early May Bank Holiday**
Weds 11th	Mid-Year Parents' Evenings *NEW DATE		Tues 5th	**School reopens**
Thurs 12th	Mid-Year Parents' Evenings *NEW DATE		Mon 11th	Key stage 2 SATs week for year 6 pupils
Fri 13th	FRS Movie Night *NEW DATE		Weds 20th	Year 2 Residential commences
Weds 25th	Schools Gotta Dance		Thurs 21st	Year 2 Residential ends
Fri 27th	**School closes for EASTER**			**School closes for children: HALF TERM**
			Fri 22nd	**INSET DAY—TEACHERS ATTEND**
April			**June**	
Mon 13th	**School reopens: SUMMER 1**		Mon 1st	**School reopens: SUMMER 2**
	Well-Being Launch Day 4—STAY ACTIVE			Well-Being Launch Day 5—GIVE
Thurs 23rd	Year 3 / Year 4 Residential commences		Thur 11th	Year 5 Trip to the Hallé *NEW DATE
Fri 24th	Year 3 / Year 4 Residential ends			
			Weds 24th	Reception Visit - Crich Tramway Museum
			July	
			Fri 17th	**School closes for Summer**

LINK TO TERM DATES 2025-2026 & 2026-2027

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.



School Attendance

School attendance since Sep 25:

96% which is Excellent!

Please see our **Attendance Policy** for more information.