

RAINFORD

NEWSFLASH

March 2024

Learning and growing together to achieve our best in the love of God

Our Christian value for this half term is:

*'Just as the Lord has forgiven you so you must also
forgive others' Colossians 3:13*

FORGIVENESS

A message from Mrs Shawcross

Today, we break up for the Easter holidays, and what fun we had this morning celebrating it! We had such a busy yet exciting assembly to celebrate the colourful and creative Easter bonnets and the impressive decorative eggs. Thank you to all the parents for supporting your child in making these Easter creations. It is by far one of my favourite times of year seeing the different play on words for 'egg'. Some of my favourites this year have got to be George Eggsra on a bed of green green grass and Eggasio painting one of his famous paintings! 😊

Something else to also celebrate is that finally the sun has put its hat on and we have been blessed with some bright, warmer days recently. This has meant there has been less wet playtimes and more fun outside which the children have been very happy about!

One of this half term's priorities was the relaunch of our Pupil Leadership Teams (PLTs). We believe the best schools have a pupil-led culture where children take on key leadership roles to make their voices heard. The teams have met frequently to make plans and decisions about how they can, as a group, make positive change. All junior children belong to one of the seven groups that are: Eco Team, Caring Community Team; Worship Team; Sports Team; Guardian Team; Well-being Team and the Reading Team. The aim of the various teams within the Pupil Leadership Team is to enable all children to experience and develop leadership within the school, ensuring that their voices and opinions are heard. We are a pupil-led school, regularly receiving and valuing pupil voice to make improvements.

Finally, we will be running a community clear up of our forest school space on the morning of Friday 26th April, for two hours after the school drop off. If you fancy joining in, please bring along your boots and a pair of gardening gloves. We are aiming to clear the path of sticks and leaves so we can get the little path wood barked and laurel planted along the fencing. Please call the school office to let us know if you are planning to help. The more hands the better!

I would like to wish you all a lovely Easter and I look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 15th April for the start of the Summer Term.

Key Messages

Summer Uniform

When we return to school following the Easter break, children will be wearing their summer uniform (grey shorts/skirt, white polo, red jumper/cardigan with grey socks, or red summer dress with white socks).

This is our LDST prayer that our school community are learning:



School Office

Please note the school office opening hours are 8.30 am - 4.30 pm Monday to Friday. The office staff will not be available outside of these hours.

Kids places to eat over the holidays for £1 or more...

<https://moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free>

Rainford Car Wash

Some of our children will be representing the school at a car wash on Saturday 13th April to raise money for Teardrops. Please go along to Rainford Village Hall support.

Attendance

As you know Attendance & Punctuality remains one of our top priorities in school. Regular and punctual attendance at school is both a legal requirement and essential for pupils to maximise their educational opportunities. School attendance is also an essential component of safeguarding children. We work in conjunction with St Helens' School Attendance Service who closely monitor our school attendance, with a focus on children whose attendance is causing a concern at 92% and below. As of September 2023, there have been some changes to the issue of Education Penalty Notices and school will issue an Education Penalty Notice for more than 20 sessions (10 days) in any 10-week period of consecutive unauthorised absence including an unauthorised leave of absence e.g. holiday. We want to support all of our families as much as we can, and we do recognise exceptional circumstances. If you need any support around attendance, please get in touch with the school office.



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World Book Day

What another incredible World Book Day we celebrated this month! The whole school spent the day exploring the book *The Invisible* by Tom Percival which allowed us to explore the theme of belonging. Thank you to all the children who brought in wonderful "stories in a jar" and "story spoons". We will be displaying these in our school library very soon!



Rock Kidz!



In March, we held our first ever Rock Kidz event! All of the children took part in lots of fun activities with the highlights definitely being the limo ride and the amazing rock concert all about respecting each other and celebrating our uniqueness.

Remember: **YASBA!**

You Are Awesome, So Be Awesome!







Rock Kidz will be back at Rainford C.E. next February for even more rock and roll fun.



Easter Celebrations

On the last day of the term, our school community gathered to share worship with other schools from LDST. We then had a wonderful time in the hall for our Easter Bonnet Parade and judging the Easter creations made at home. Congratulations to all our winners!



| The Code | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">Rainford CE Primary School CODE OF CONDUCT</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 45%;"> <p>Always try your best and never give up</p> </div>  </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Respect each other and each others' belongings</p> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 45%;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Be honest</p>  </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 45%;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Encourage one another</p>  </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 45%;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Wonderful walking</p>  </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 45%;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Find the joy</p>  </div> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>Sitting like stars</p>  </div> | <p>Talking in the line Talking over the teacher Tapping equipment Drawing on whiteboards Not sitting like STARS Not wonderful walking Bringing toys/sweets into school 'Play fighting' Getting out of seat during lessons</p> | <p>Second instance of not following the rules <u>or</u> a serious incident such as:</p> <p>Ignoring an adult's instruction Not lining up when the whistle is blown Pushing in the line Coming into school unattended Unkind name calling Mobile phones out on the yard Using technology inappropriately</p> | <p>Third instance of not following the rules <u>or</u> a very serious incident such as:</p> <p>Hitting/ kicking/ punching/ biting Climbing on furniture or equipment outside/ out of windows Swearing Spitting Any racism, sexism, homophobic comments or bullying Violation of privacy (in the toilets) Stealing Fighting/ barging into one another Vandalism Damaging school property Damaging others' work Inappropriate online behaviour</p> |
| <p>Following the school's rules at all times will help you to learn in every lesson and to earn all of our wonderful rewards!</p> | <p>A verbal warning</p> | <p>Miss 15 minutes of the next playtime</p> | <p>Miss 15 minutes of the next two playtimes</p> <p>A letter of concern home to parents/carers explaining the incident. Letter uploaded to school monitoring files</p> <p>Three letters of concern in one half term will result in a meeting with parents/carers</p> |
| | | <p>(<u>not</u> including Reception or Y1- consequence given appropriate to their age/ development)</p> | |

Notes:

- Incidents involving outdoor equipment will result in a ban if using that equipment e.g. football, pogo stick, table tennis
- Children with additional needs may have their own behaviour plan that will use the above in an adapted way.

Upcoming Dates

15th April 2024

School opens following Spring holidays
FORCES meeting at Reds @ 6.30pm

16th April 2024

Bible Tales for Y4-6

17th April 2024

Vintage bus coming to school

26th April 2024

Community clear up

6th May 2024

School closed for May Day Bank Holiday

7th May 2024

PTA F.O.R.C.E.S meeting at The Derby
Arms

8th May 2024

Experience Pentecost

15th May 2024

Bible Tales for EYFS-Y3

10th May 2024

1st birthday of Booty Scooty, Lavendar,
Sugar and Barbara

13th May 2024-16th May 2024

20th May 2024

KS1 Infant Sports Day
(Weather Permitting)

21st May 2024

Raindrops and Reception Sports Day
(Weather Permitting)

22nd May 2024

KS2 Sports Day
(Weather Permitting)

22nd May 2024

Reception vision tests

23rd May 2024

Raindrops Stay and Play
Alton Towers for Y6

