

**RAINFORD NEWSFLASH –December 2021**

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

*Value for this half term: joy*

**'I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord.**

**Note from Mrs Richardson**

We have had a lovely run up to Christmas in school and it has looked as near normal as we could manage. We decorated the hall for 'Christmas Dinner' and staff served children their Christmas dinners. We have organised a school talent show within classes and the winners in classes will be filmed and shown to the whole school. Janet and Noel came into school for our Crib Service which we did in three sittings (KS1, Y3 and 4, Y 5 and 6). Every class have had a Christmas party. We were thrilled to have a Nativity Service in the church which looked beautiful and very festive after the Christmas Tree Festival. I would like to wish all our families a fun and relaxing Christmas break and that the peace of Christ will be in every home.

Mrs Richardson

**Our Warm Welcome Charity**

Thank you to everyone who has donated to Our Warm Welcome. Donations are being collected this week.

**F.O.R.C.E.S.**

Our FORCES team ran a successful stall at the **Rainford Village Fayre** and raised approximately £500. Thank you to our wonderful FORCES parents and all those who contributed prizes.

**Santa's Visit**

Many thanks to FORCES for arranging Santa's visit to classes with a present of a book for each child. Thank you, Santa, if you are reading this!

**Collections**

Thank you to everyone who has contributed:

Poppy collection raised: 260.46

Children in Need: £252.00

Christmas Jumper Day: £215

**Internet Safety**

We have had to deal with several incidents recently where children are repeating inappropriate things they have heard on TikTok (age of consent = 13 years). Could parents/carers ensure they know what apps their children

are accessing and whether the content is appropriate for their age. Thank you.

**Nativity**



Well done to Year 2 children who performed our nativity brilliantly. Thanks also to Year 1 children who made it extra special with their support. It was wonderful to be able to hold the nativity in church and the children really focused our attention on the central story of Christmas in a thoroughly enjoyable way.

**Polite Reminder – water and snacks**

Water bottles on tables should contain water only please. Juice can be sent in for lunch times. Also, the school policy on snacks is that they should not contain chocolate at break times. If you would like to send a sugary/chocolate snack in,

this should be part of a balanced packed lunch.  
Thank you.

We welcome Mrs Bowyer who joins our team, primarily as a teaching assistant in KS2.

### Contact Details

Could you please ensure that the School Office is updated with any changes to your address or contact details please?  
Thank you.

We thank you for your support over the past term and wish you a merry and happy Christmas and New Year from all the staff at Rainford CE.

### Staffing News

We say goodbye to two members of staff at the end of term: Mrs Prime has retired from her role in the Raindrops Office, and we wish her the best for a happy retirement; Mrs Haley, who has temporarily worked in the School Office while we appoint a new member of staff, moves onto a new role in another school with our thanks for stepping in and helping out at short notice.

Mrs McVey has welcomed her new baby son in December and we offer our love and prayers at this special time.

Mrs Hannan has now started her maternity leave and we wish her well as she awaits the birth of her first child.

Miss Jaeger has taken over as class teacher until Mrs Hannan's return.

