## **RAINFORD NEWSFLASH – November 2023**

# Learning and growing together to achieve our best in the love of God. Our Christian value for this half term: joy

Psalm 118: 23-24 'This is from the Lord, and it is marvellous in our eyes. This is the day that the LORD has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.'

#### **Ofsted September 23**

We were pleased with our Ofsted Report which highlighted many strengths of the school. We are delighted that she recognised that our school is 'aspirational for all pupils'; 'the school expects high standards of behaviour'; 'pupils feel safe and happy' ' pupils work hard and achieve well' 'get off to a flying start' and 'are prepared well for the next stage of their education'. Thank you to all parents who conveyed their views to the inspector.

## **Staffing News**

As you are aware Mrs Richardson will be retiring at Christmas. Mrs Shawcross will be interim headteacher from January 2024 until the end of the academic year. Mrs Thompson will be acting Deputy Headteacher for the same period.

#### **Governor Election**

We had an excellent turn out for our governor election. Congratulations to Mr Duffy who will serve a further four years.

#### Name the Chickens



The naming the chickens' competition raised £255 and this has been put towards the purchase of the coop. The chickens' names will be Barbara, Lavender, Sugar and Booty-Scooty.

### **Anti-Bullying Week**

Our safeguarding week had a focus on Anti-Bullying. Children wore odd socks to celebrate difference and received extra PSHE time learning about anti-bullying.

#### **Year 5 Bikeability**

During the next two weeks, many of our Year 5 pupils will be learning how to be safe on their bicycles.

#### **Year 3 Trip to Eureka**

Year 3 had a fantastic day out to Eureka in Halifax. This was linked to their upcoming topic of forces in science. The children described the day as "Fun!", "Fantastic!" and "Good!".

#### **Year 4 Trip to World Museum**

Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed their trip to the World Museum in Liverpool. They spent most of the day exploring what it was like to live in Ancient Egypt and the museum staff were amazed at how much our children already knew! Our children's responses the to trip: "Amazing!", "Exhilarating!"



#### **Children in Need**

With our own clothes day we raised £245.11 for Children in Need. Thank you for your support.

# Upcoming Trips Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December

Year 5/6 trip to Jodrell Bank

## Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

KS1 and Reception trip to Southport Theatre to see Jack and the Beanstalk.

## Reception Film Night Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023 5pm -7.00pm

The cost will be £3.50 per child, refreshments are included, payment is through School Money.

### **Sports News**

We sent teams from KS1 and KS2 to represent the school at Boccia Competitions. We are very proud of how well our children participated.

Our Y5/6 girls represented the school on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November and they were unbeaten.

Well done to all our teams.



## **Book Fair**

The book fair we raised £650.09 and this means we will have £260 to spend on books for the school. Many thanks for your support.



#### **Christmas Activities**

- Christmas Fair Friday 1<sup>st</sup>
   December from 3.30pm 6.00pm
- Choir performing at Rainford Village Christmas Fayre on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 3.00pm
- Posada in Collective
   Worship with Janet on
   Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December.
- Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December.
- Christingle at All Saints
   Church 4.30pm Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>
   December
- Reception/Raindrops
   Christmas Party Tuesday
   12<sup>th</sup> December
- Y3/4 Christmas Party
   Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December
- Y 1/2 Christmas Party
   Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December
- Y 5/6 Christmas Party
   Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December
- Year 1/2 Nativity
   Performance on Tuesday
   19<sup>th</sup> at 10am or Wednesday
   20<sup>th</sup> at 2pm at All Saints
   Church.
- Posada Service Thursday
   21<sup>st</sup> December
- Talent Show
   Friday 22nd December

#### **Christmas Fair**

Thank you to everyone who donated an item for our Christmas Fair.

The Christmas Fair will begin at 3.30pm on Friday 1st December).

Look forward to the Christmas fun:

Tombola
Games room
Face painting
Chocolate game cards
Bottle game cards
Guess the name of the teddy
and treasure map
Coffee and cake
Rosy glow
And of course....Santa!



End of term
School Closes 2.30pm on
Friday 22nd December
After School Club finishes at
4.55pm