

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 returned to some kind of normality in school over the past two weeks and have enjoyed a few whole school assemblies. It has been fantastic seeing children enjoying Zumba after school on Mondays. However, Covid is still around and we will continue to let you know if there is a confirmed case in your child's class. As we still have some Covid cases throughout the school, we will not be hosting an indoor Christmas Fayre this year. However, we hope to have fun events in classes and hold a Christmas Raffle.

At the moment, we look forward to holding our nativity service in church for Y1 and Y2 parents. This will be dependent on the Covid situation in the coming weeks and any subsequent union advice.

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

Our own clothes day on Friday 26th November will be for donations for F.O.R.C.E.S. stall for the Rainford Village Christmas Fayre and towards the school raffle.

Anti-Bullying Week

It was lovely to see so many odd socks in school on Monday. In assembly, we discussed how we are all the same and how we are different. Celebrating our differences as unique people.

Staffing News

We welcome our new caretaker, Mr Abercrombie, whom many of you will have seen on the playground in the mornings. We also welcome Mrs Cliffe as our part-time School Business Manager. We offer a warm welcome to our school community.

Mrs Roby (Class teacher C7) will unfortunately be leaving us at Christmas. We thank her for all she has done to support our children over the years she has been with us.

Polite Reminder

Could parents parking in Linear Bank Close please refrain from turning on residents driveways and parking in front of the double gates to school which is an emergency entrance in case of fire.

School Crossing Patrol

St Helens Council are currently trying to recruit a replacement for Ruth. We will keep you informed of their progress. In the meantime, please continue to help your child cross safely.

Wonderful Walking

introduced 'Wonderful We Walking' to our Reception children this term and it looked so fantastic that we have extended it to other year groups. Children walk proudly with their hands behind their backs (when not carrying anything!) when moving around the school. It has been great to see that children are proud of everything to do with being a pupil at Rainford C.E. including moving from one activity to another in a smart way.

School Photographer

John Hunt Photography will be at school on 25th November for individual and siblings photographs.

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who has donated to Children in Need. So far, we have received £230!!

Film Nights

Y2 really enjoyed their film night on Friday. Children loved coming to school in their PJs with their pillows and teddies. Many thanks to the staff who go the extra mile and stay and make them happen. For upcoming film nights, the cost will be £3.50 per child, refreshments included. **5pm** -**7.00pm**

> Y1 Fri 19th November Rec Fri 26th November Y6 Fri 7th January Y5 Friday 14th January Y4 Friday 21st January Y3 Friday 28th January

Our Warm Welcome Charity

In previous years we have taken part in the shoebox appeal. This Christmas we are working with 'Our Warm Welcome' Charity, they are looking for donations of toiletries and household cleaning items. Please send any donations in to school from now until Friday 17th December.

Suggested donations

- washing powder
- washing up liquid
- floor cleaner
- anti- bacterial wipes
- furniture polish
- soap/shower gel
- tooth paste and brushes
- deodorant

Upcoming Dates

Friday 19th November Y1 Film Night 5pm-6:45pm

Thursday 25th November John Hunt Photography Individual and Siblings photographs

Friday 26th November Own clothes day for tombola donations for FORCES stall. Donations for Tombola to Class teachers please Reception Film Night 5pm-7pm

> Monday 29th November Flu Vaccinations

Wednesday 8th December Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 9th December Raindrops and Reception Christmas Party

Friday 10th December Y1 and Y2 Christmas Party

Tuesday 14th December 10am Y2 Nativity Performance

Wednesday 15th December 2pm Y2 Nativity Performance

> **Thursday 16th December** Y3/4 Christmas Party

Friday 17th December Y5/6 Christmas Party

Wednesday 22nd December Rainford CE Talent Show School Closes at 2:30pm for Christmas holidays Afterschool Club will close at 4:55pm