# RAINFORD NEWSFLASH –September 2022



Learning and growing together to achieve our best in the love of God Our Christian value for this half term: friendship 'There is a friend who sticks closer than a brother." Provers 18.24

## Note from Mrs Richardson

Welcome back to school. All the children seem to be enjoying their new classes and we welcome a new teacher in C6 – Mr McRae.

There have been a few changes this year and for the first time since Covid all the junior children are back together on the playground. Many thanks to F.O.R.C.E.S. for the new playground equipment which the children are enjoying.

Everyone has come back to school looking very smart thank you to all the parents/carers for preparing the children so well for the new term. Children are now using book bags instead of ruck sacks and as a result we can fit coats in the cloakrooms. Children have PE kits in school and it has been strange hearing excited chatting while children get changed for PE lessons for the first time in a couple of years.

We have now held all our Information Evenings and teachers will have shared all the good things children can look forward to this year.

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

F.O.R.C.E.S. do a fantastic job raising money for the school: This year they have already provided new dictionaries, thesauruses and homework books for children.

In the summer term, they invested in lots of fantastic playground equipment.

The first meeting of the year will be held in school at 6.30pm on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October. The AGM will begin at 6pm. All parents/carers welcome.

## **Film Nights**

Children loved the film nights last year and we plan to run them again this year. The cost will be £3.50 per child, refreshments included. 5.30pm -7.00pm

Y6 Fri 7<sup>th</sup> October Y5 Fri 14<sup>th</sup> October Y4 Fri 4<sup>th</sup> November Y3 Fri 18th November Y2 Fri 25<sup>th</sup> November Y1 Fri 13<sup>th</sup> January Reception Fri 20<sup>th</sup> January

#### **Toddler Group**

Toddler group has restarted on Friday mornings. It seems busy already – thank you to our parents who run it. If you are interested in coming along, let the office know and we will point you in the right direction.

#### Harvest

Year 4 led our Harvest Service wonderfully at All Saints on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September. Thank you to everyone who donated items for Harvest to St. Helens Foodbank.

#### **Parents Evenings**

Our Parents Evenings will be held face to face on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October. You will be contacted nearer the time to book slots. At these meetings, you will be able to see your children's books and find out how they have settled in to their new class.

#### Swimming Costs

Due to massively increased transports costs, we are asking for a contribution of £2 per visit. This should be paid via School Money. Class 10 are currently swimming each week.

# **Harvest Experience**

Years 1, 2 and 3 visited church last week and met with Janet and other members of Rainford Parish Church to see the different stations around the church celebrating Harvest. Some of the feedback from the children was thoughtful:

Brodie – It was fun because there was all different activities. We found out that some people who don't have much food

Finley – Because he gives us all this we should treat him well because He made the world and all the things for us.

Lyra – It was nice because we got to know what Jesus did with all his friends. It was good to learn about how bread was made.

## **Upcoming Dates**

04/10/2022	PTA - FORCES Meeting & AGM at The Derby Arms	6:15pm-7:15pm
07/10/2022	Y6 Film Night	5pm - 7pm
10/10/2022	Class 10 Swimming	2pm-3pm
13/10/2022	Reception & Year 6 Heights and Weights	
14/10/2022	Y5 Film Night	5pm - 7pm
17/10/2022	Class 10 Swimming	2pm-3pm
18/10/2022	Parents Evening	3:45pm – 6:30pm
19/10/2022	Parents Evening	3:45pm – 6:30pm
20/10/2022	School Closes for Half Term	3:30pm
21/10/2022	Inset day	3:30pm