



"I suppose you'll be winding down in school now that it's so close to the summer holidays?"

It's a question we're often asked at this time of year — and the answer, in a word, is **no**! If anything, primary schools *wind up* as the summer break approaches.

Over the past fortnight, the pace has only accelerated. We've had fundraising for Protect The Andes, a Year 5 Maths Competition, the Year 5 Play with the Hallé Orchestra, our very first Public Speaking Competition, and of course, the Year 2 residential trip to the Catalyst Museum in Widnes. All this on top of summer play rehearsals, end-of-year assessments, and report writing!

I've been especially delighted by the many enrichment events recently — not least the Public Speaking Competition, where children crafted and delivered persuasive talks on topics of their choice. Mr Gratton, Miss Crowther (our English Leads), and I had the pleasure of judging, and it was genuinely inspiring to watch such confident, passionate presentations. A huge well done to all who took part, and an even bigger congratulations to Leo and Elodie who will represent our school in the inter-school final at Kettleshulme on Tuesday 8th July.

The photos below were taken during the Year 2 residential. *'One Night at the Museum'* has become a cherished tradition in our calendar of overnight trips, and this year Mr Gratton led another unforgettable experience for our 6- and 7-year-olds in his usual fun and brilliantly organised style. Thank you to Mr G and his team for giving our children a safe, exciting, and memorable adventure. I've no doubt they'll be sleeping soundly this weekend!

Finally, we are looking forward to the final big school community event—it's all hands on deck to ensure our Summer Treasure Hunt and BBQ is a success! See the FRS section for more details.

Wishing you all a safe and restful couple of days ahead.

One for the album...

Year 2 Residential 2025—The Catalyst Discovery Centre and Museum



Attendance Matters



School Attendance

School attendance since the start of Sep 24:

96.8% which is

Please see our [Attendance Policy](#) for more information.

Please remember that you do not have the right to take children on holiday in term time and doing so may result in a fine.

Netball Team are Triumphant

Our Netball team played against Bollington St Johns yesterday and showed skill, determination and amazing team work to win the match an impressive, 15-1. Well played to all the team, and a massive thank you to Mrs Copeland for her expert coaching this year to over 30 children per week at her popular club—it has really paid off!



Planet Protectors...From Playground to Peaks: Raising Funds for the Andes!

Our Planet Protectors raised over £450 for the *Protect the Andes* appeal, last Thursday!

Thank you to Ms Lewis for organising yet another brilliant event with her incredible team!

Year 5 Play With The Hallé

Part of our [Pupil Promise](#) to the children is that they will learn to play a musical instrument during their time at Rainow. They are taught recorder in Year 3 and ukulele in Year 5. The other part of this promise is that they will all perform as part of an orchestra to a large audience, and where better than at The Bridgewater Hall with the famous Hallé Orchestra! Mr Trueman reports that the children were typically enthusiastic and amazing!



Head's Message

Rainow Round-Up

13th–27th June 2025



**Rowan the
Raven**



**Bramble
the Badger**



**Fern the
Fox**



**Speedwell
the Squirrel**



Oakley the



**The Busy
Bees**

Rainow School Learning and Life Values

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Our Rainow Values underpin all that we do at school. They are desirable traits that we constantly encourage the children to try and display. In addition to the usual awards,
Well done to all the recipients!

	Badge	Badge	Other Award	Other Award
Rec	Max (Raven)	Rowan (Raven)	Aurora	Isabelle
Year 1	Owen (Raven)	Reuben (Badger)	Oliver	Felix
Year 2	Penny (Owl)	Edith (Raven)	Lewis	Harriet
Year 3	Ted (Badger)	Noah (Badger)	Molly	
Year 4	Hugo (Bees)	Eva (Raven)	Coralie	Miles
Year 5	Leo (Squirrel)	Lily-Belle (Fox)	Gian	Alex
Year 6	-	-	-	-



Y6 SPECIAL AWARD—

OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

Monty: for being intelligent, thoughtful, hardworking and multi-talented—a true all-rounder!

Elanor: for being intelligent, kind, thoughtful, hard working and creative. A fantastic ambassador for our school!



Important Dates**Family Treasure Hunt event - Sunday 6th July 11am - 2pm**

We've had a few questions about the event so here's more information.

Explore the stunning countryside around our super school with our treasure hunt around the village and beyond. There are two routes, a longer one and a shorter one—maps provided. The routes will be clearly signposted and we will have marshals along the way to help. Find the stamps and items at each check point and return to school with your completed sheet for a prize.

Tickets can be bought on the following link: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofrainowschool/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=101004> As always, it helps us with catering if you purchase in advance. There will be a few tickets available on the gate if you have any extra people joining you last minute.

Do share with friends, neighbours and anyone you think might like to take part.



We need to say that the event can only go ahead if we have enough people to volunteer so please consider volunteering to help.

Jobs:

Marshalls to stand along the route	ticket checker/sellers	BBQ	Bar tenders	Cake stall	Ice cream stall
Tombola	Worm charming	Duck race	Face painting	Outdoor crafts	

We've tried to split them into one hour time slots so you can volunteer and spend time with your family. All instructions and equipment will be provided.

Sign up by putting your name on the Google document: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1n9JuHX-NI-e7Q53OjnuXBO0STYSpWFY277pXSV9IIUw/edit?usp=sharing>

Sign up with a friend and have fun while fundraising!

As you can see, we have lots of fun activities back at school, on the playground or in the wonderful woodland. Try your luck in the duck race, paint a pot and more in our outdoor craft area and have a go at worm charming!

If you're not going on the walk you are welcome to join us at school for lunch, activities and catching up with friends.

There will be a collection of bottles and chocolates for the tombola on **Thursday 3rd July and Friday 4th July.**

Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th July - we will need some volunteers for the Y5/6 play bars (in the evening). It's ideal if parents from younger classes can volunteer for this so that those with children in Y5 and 6 can enjoy the shows.

If you'd like to get involved with any event please contact Rachel on 07786001336. **Your FRS needs you!**

Diary Dates

HANDY SCHOOL HOLIDAY SUMMARIES: [2025-2026](#)

Diary Dates - 27 Jun 25

June		September	
Mon 30th June - Fri 4th July	Walk, Cycle or Share a Lift to School Week	Weds 3rd Sept	School reopens to pupils
July			
Weds 2nd	Reception Crich Tramway Visit		
Sun 6th	FRS: Treasure Hunt & Fun Day		
Thur 10th	Lower Moss Wood - Year 1		
Sat 12th	Rainow Church Fete		
Mon 14th & Tue 15th	Y5 & Y6 Summer Play		
Fri 18th	School closes for summer break		

