



# EVERYONE MATTERS SCHOOLS TRUST

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**NEWSLETTER**



## Welcome from the CEO

As we approach the end of an academic year this time seems particularly special as we are now a group and community of schools and over the last 12 months, we have all worked hard to develop our collaborative partnership of the Everyone Matters Schools Trust to benefit children, parents and staff.

Our mission is broad and inclusive: "To make a difference to every person so that we improve their life and opportunities." As CEO I know the team of schools has worked hard to do this throughout the year. We have as always faced a number of challenges but hopeful this newsletter can celebrate some of the many successes we have achieved as a Trust and a community of schools.

As this newsletter will reach you as we approach the summer holidays, I wish you all a happy and relaxing summer break.



**Ian Young**  
CEO and Principal  
Rainford High School





## Schools working together to make a difference

### Whole School Collaborative Networks

The Everyone Matters Schools Trust has been incredibly proud to see the collaboration both within and beyond the Trust continue to develop around Special Educational Needs and Safeguarding with schools sharing expertise as well as taking part in peer reviews over the course of the last 12 months. We are delighted to extend this offer to other whole school issues over the next 12 months in behaviour, attendance and the challenge of vulnerable students.

### Collaborative Secondary Subject Networks

Our collaborative subject networks have laid firm foundations over the last 12 months and we are delighted to see them ready to push on with the sharing of best practice and professional dialogue. We are excited to develop further school to school support through these networks and look forward to seeing even greater impact during the next academic year.



## Governance Conference 2025

We are delighted to invite every member, trustee and governor to our Everyone Matters Schools Trust Governance Day on the 11th November at the EMST Conference Centre on the Billinge Chapel End Primary School site from 9.00am to 1.00pm. The theme of the day is how governing boards can use data to challenge and support everyone's work across the Trust.

We hope that the morning will not just be informative and helpful but also a great way for governors, members and trustees to connect and understand their specific role in developing the schools and the trust as effectively as possible.

We look forward to seeing as many of our members, trustees and governors at the event as possible



## School Games Platinum Award

We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games Platinum Mark Award for the first time.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success at the highest level.

With lots of young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.



## RAINFORD TENNIS CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to Rainford Brook Lodge Community Primary School who have won the first ever Rainford Tennis Schools Cup on the 7<sup>th</sup> July at the Jubilee Recreation Ground. Well done and thank you to all the players and teachers involved in making the success possible.



## Oxford Union Style Debate Victory

Brook Lodge was invited to Rivington Primary to take part in an Oxford Union-style debate. This is a competitive debate format originating at the University of Oxford over 200 years ago and debates carry on there to this day.

The children were asked to prepare their arguments for and against various topics: 'children should look up to sports stars'; 'it's good to be famous' and 'social media does more harm than good'

Our children worked really hard in preparing their arguments; performed brilliantly and ended up winning the competition.





## Year 7 Rugby Team win National Final

Rainford High's Year 7 rugby team were victorious in the Steven Mullaney Memorial Match – the national final of the Rugby Football League's inspiresport Champion Schools competition, which was held on Saturday 7 June.

The team secured the trophy after a record-breaking 40-0 victory over Sirius Academy West from Hull, which culminates an exceptional season for the Year 7 team who are now treble winners, having already secured both the St Helens Schools Rugby League Year 7 Cup and the North West Schools Rugby League Year 7 Trophy.



## TOWN SPORTS WINNERS

For the first time in a decade Rainford High won the St Helens Town Sports competition. The performance was a great team effort with every year group contributing

An incredible effort from all our athletes to secure the silverware.

Overall winners!! , Overall Boys winners, Overall Girls winners, Junior Boys winners, Junior Girls winners, Inter Boys winners, Senior Boys runners up, Senior Girls runners up. Well done Team Rainford!



## EDEN TRIP FOR THE THIRD TIME

Rainford High completed three trips to Cornwall this summer with over 140 Year 8 students.

The Science team decamped to their Cornish bolt hole once again to make sure our young people had a great time visiting the Eden Project, Bristol Zoo as well as visiting the beach and toasting marshmallows over the fire.



## CELEBRATION EVENING 2025

We were delighted to celebrate the achievements of over 140 students at our recent Awards Evening. The evening celebrated the academic success of the young people across all subjects, as well as outstanding pastoral contributions.

Over 300 parents attend and joined in our recognition of our young people.

We are incredibly proud of all the students and would like to thank everyone who made the evening such a success.



## YEAR 10 COLLEGE TASTER DAYS

Over the past few weeks Y10 students have been attending taster days at local colleges including Wigan and Leigh College, West Lancashire College, Sir John Rigby and Winstanley College to consider life beyond Y11.

Each college provided a packed schedule to allow students to have a go at games design, construction industries as well as hair and beauty and medical science.



## JULY SNOW DAY

A group of students during wow week swapped the summer sunshine and flip flops for snow and snow boots at Chill Factor in Manchester.

The students showed great resilience learning the basics of skiing and having a go on the slopes for the very first time.

A great time was had by all.







# BILLINGE CHAPEL END PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Year 6 Residential

Our Year 6 class experienced fun and adventure during our residential trip to Manor Adventure in the Peak District this term. They enjoyed a wide range of activities including rifle shooting, archery, blind trails rock climbing and zip-lining. We sang songs and told stories around the camp fire and created memories that will last a lifetime!



## Spring Song Event

Our Spring Song event was a huge success and it was wonderful seeing the school community come together to watch our children celebrate music and dance



## NURSERY EXPANSION

We are delighted that from September 2025 Chapel End will be able to offer extended nursery provision for 9 months to two year olds following additional investment in refurbishing a section of the school buildings. Work will be taking place over the Summer break to enable the school to offer even better provision moving forward.

