



Case History

Arson attack wrecks school

Baildon C of E Primary School in Bradford was affected by a fierce blaze which ripped through classrooms causing damage that could lead to a repair bill running into tens of thousands of pounds.

The blaze destroyed two reception classrooms, a music room, art room and year one classroom, with heavy smoke damage to the remainder of the school. Rainbow International branch for Bradford, Horsforth, Pudsey & Morley, quickly attended site and met with the schools Head Teacher and the Building Manager for Bradford, Ripon & Leeds Diocesan Education Team.

They were pleased to see Rainbows Project Manager, and invited him to quote for the restoration work to the remainder of the school with an aim to have it reopen by Monday 27th November. He liaised with other Rainbow branches within the network and submitted his quote.

On Wednesday 22nd November, Rainbow received the instruction for the job and commenced work on site early on Thursday, with support from 4 neighbouring Rainbow branches assisting with the supply of equipment and staff. The restoration work continued over the weekend, with chlorine tests ultimately being carried out at the end of the job to assess the standard of cleanliness, with the intention being for parts of the school to reopen.

The teams worked to schedule all weekend meaning the teachers were able to return to school as planned on the Monday, with the pupils returning the following day.

The strength of Rainbow's network was fully utilised on this project, which can ultimately be called upon when assistance or additional resources are needed within very strict time scales. Without the support and technical expertise of the network, it would have been difficult to achieve the schools deadline for reopening.

Key Facts

Service

- Fire Restoration

Location

- Yorkshire

Services Employed

- 24 Hour Response
- Full Quotation
- Building Clean
- Fire Damage Restoration
- Contents Clean
- Contents Restoration & Storage
- Building Restoration



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"That's the beauty of the Rainbow International network. We have 65 businesses covering the UK, and I know that at the time of a major incident I can rely on the help and support from within the network" Rainbow's Project Manager said.

Rainbow's local office were very pleased to have been appointed to do the restoration, as they had fierce competition from other restoration companies within the local area. Rainbow's Project Manager felt that his quick response was a major factor in influencing the decision to appoint Rainbow.

Rainbow's local Project Manager continued – *"Being on-site within the hour of being contacted showed the school and the Diocese how committed we are to a quick response. By responding rapidly to a disaster situation, we can save the insurer or building owner considerable amounts in lost contents, or secondary damage. Our service can also help to alleviate the emotional stress that any delay in restoration can cause"*.

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You Recover™

Rainbow International's traditional market for their Fire & Flood Restoration services has been the insurance industry and private dwellings. However through ever more regular school restoration work Rainbow International is seen to be one of the leading suppliers in the education, and other public service as well as commercial markets.

Rainbow International's National Accounts General Manager sees the Education sector as an area that can greatly benefit from Rainbow's extensive range of services.

"It's a sad fact that we have over 2,000 arson attacks on schools each year, and the pupils education can be compromised if the properties are not restored very rapidly. However its not just fires, floods and escape of water incidents where Rainbow can help the education market. Regular and thorough cleans, or sanitisation following sickness outbreaks can bring a level of hygiene and cleanliness previously not available" he commented.