



NEWS & VIEWS

Achievement & Enjoyment

Headteacher Mr S Bowsher



Mr Bowsher's Headteacher Comment

This is the last News and Views of the term and although we have three packed days to go I have started to reflect on all the great things that have taken place since September. I could list a number of specific things, but actually the thing that always stands out for me when looking back at a term is simply the really fantastic 'daily diet' of teaching, learning and enjoyment the children get.

This year I have once again done a record number of parent tours for entry into Reception next year. This is when they see the school in normal operation and every time it is a pleasure. I start the tour talking about our motto 'Achievement and Enjoyment' and this is what we see – Children learning and achieving whilst enjoying what they are doing.

I couldn't finish though without mentioning the Christmas events that have been taking place this week. We had an amazing performance of 'Snowman at Sunset' on Wednesday afternoon by Year 1. It was like watching professionals. We then had the first of the sing-a-longs on Thursday which sounded fabulous and gave our children the opportunity to perform in front of a live audience. The week ended today with the Year 5 Don Rae pantomime which was enjoyed thoroughly by all. The commitment of all the children was fantastic, especially all those who auditioned for the solo part with Miss Paxton earlier in the week or had a solo part.

There is still plenty going on next week including Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day on Monday and the discos on Tuesday.

I will leave you now with a word from Mr Turner, the winner of the LPPA Headteacher for a Day competition, who gave up his role in Year 2 today to run the school. He proved very popular with the pupils and staff, although I was less happy about having to be the goalie while his class fired penalties at me! You will be able to see more about his day on X (formerly twitter).



Mr Turner's Headteacher Comment

Today I have had a very busy day being Headteacher. It has been really hard work, but lots of fun. First, I went to say good morning to everyone and gave out Headteacher's Awards to one child in each class. Then I sent an email and did a health and safety walk. Just before break I taught some of the teachers how to be even better. I asked them to make sure we have Lego lessons and to bring us cake every day. After break I gave every child in the school a biscuit and one lucky class even had squash (my class!). After second break my class got to take football penalties with Mr Bowsher in goal – he wasn't very good. Mrs Cooper was the best at penalties along with Niam, Jack, Zara and Arnie. After lunch I watched the Year 5 pantomime which was brilliant. I also gave out the star of the week certificates and my superstar award which went to Miss Gardner (my teacher!). Have a great weekend. Mr Turner.



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Discos

On Tuesday we have the LPPA Christmas discos. Entrance will be through the main office and the cost is only £3. The timings are:

Reception: 2:15pm – 2:45pm in school time (no charge)

Year 1, 2 and 3 – 4:00pm – 5:00pm

Year 4, 5 and 6 – 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Word of the Week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Label	Emormous	Exclude	Reject	Affect	Invest	External

Mr Bowsher's and Mr Turner's Superstars



Mr Bowsher has chosen Amber in 5L for demonstrating the value of friendship.

Mr Turner has chosen Miss Gardner for having fun lessons.



Stars of the Week

RM	RT	1A	1P	2C	2G	3B
Jessica	Timothy	All of 1A	All of 1P	Grace C	Alisa	Abira
3C	4LC	4T	5L	5P	6C	6R
Bobby-Gray	Victoria	Georgia	Ethan	Lola	Blake	Isabella



Reading at Home

Well done to the winning classes and to 6R who had the most read 5 times.

Keep reading next week please.

Class	Table shows numbers of children and percentages who read from Monday 4 th December to Friday 15 th December			Percentage Read 4 & 5 times %
	Less than 4	4	5	
RM	6 (20%)	8 (28%)	15 (52%)	80%
RT	7 (24%)	6 (21%)	16 (55%)	76%
1A	5 (17%)	8 (28%)	16 (55%)	83%
1P	5 (17%)	13 (45%)	11 (38%)	83%
2C	3 (11%)	5 (18%)	20 (71%)	89%
2G	3 (10%)	7 (23%)	20 (67%)	90%
3B	3 (10%)	6 (19%)	22 (71%)	90%
3C	0 (0%)	9 (33%)	18 (67%)	100%
4LC	3 (7%)	4 (14%)	22 (79%)	93%
4T	1 (3%)	10 (36%)	17 (61%)	97%
5L	3 (11%)	8 (27%)	18 (62%)	89%
5P	4 (14%)	3 (11%)	21 (75%)	86%
6C	0 (0%)	4 (16%)	21 (84%)	100%
6R	0 (0%)	2 (7%)	26 (93%)	100%
Total				90%



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Diary Dates

Below are some of the important dates coming up in the next week and next term:

Friday 15th December Reports sent home Years 1 - 6
 Monday 18th December Christmas jumper day and Christmas Dinner
 Monday 18th December Christmas sing-a-long 2G, 3C, 4LC, 5P, 6R (2:30pm)
 Tuesday 19th December LPPA Christmas discos
 Wednesday 20th December Break up

Thursday 4th January Return to School
 Tuesday 30th January Young Voices at the O2
 Wednesday 14th February Parent Consultations (3:30pm-6:00pm)
 Thursday 15th February Parent Consultations (5:30pm-8:00pm)
 Wednesday 27th March Easter Discos
 Thursday 28th March Break up



Weekly Attendance

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 11th December

Class	RM	RT	1A	1P	2C	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	95%	97.7%	96%	93.3%	93.3%	95.7%	97.7%	
Class	3C	4LC	4T	5L	5P	6C	6R	94.7%
Attendance	91.7%	91.7%	96.3%	93%	94.3%	94.5%	95.9%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
RT & 3B	4T	1A



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 6th September 2023

Class	RM	RT	1A	1P	2C	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	96.9%	95.2%	95.6%	95.3%	96.7%	96.1%	96.2%	
Class	3C	4LC	4T	5L	5P	6C	6R	95.8%
Attendance	96%	95.7%	94.1%	95.6%	95.8%	97.1%	94.96%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
6C	RM	2C



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