



NEWS & VIEWS

Achievement & Enjoyment

Headteacher Mr S Bowsher



Headteacher's Comment:

World Book Day 2024 has been another huge success. There is often debate in the media about World Book Day being too commercial, but let's face it, World Book Day is about a love of reading. Developing that love of reading is one of the aims of our curriculum. By being a good reader whole new possibilities are opened up to children and adults. It is why we expect children to read at least four times a week at home, it is why we publish the figures of the classes who do this below and it is why I send a congratulatory text home every Friday to those who read 5 times (and a text to those who don't read enough!).

Today we had children taking part in live lessons online, sharing books with another year group, book related activities taking place all day in class and our annual book themed door decorating competition won by 5P. Not to mention the fabulous costumes. There are a couple of photos below, but there will be plenty more on Twitter / X. Well done everyone and make sure you enjoy a good book this weekend.

Science Week

Next week we have more exciting things planned as part of part of British Science Week. On Tuesday we have Freshwater Theatre in delivering science workshops to the whole school and then on Thursday we have the science fair. Before half-term Mr Weston and Mrs Calver sent a letter home challenging children from Reception – Year 6 to create a project based around the theme of 'Time'. They want them to be as creative as possible when thinking about science, time and the world we live in.

Entries can come in from Monday, but the deadline is Wednesday 13th March. We know how good entries were last year so are looking forward to seeing what comes in this time.

To help you get started you could consider the following ideas:

- An interactive project which demonstrates the idea of time.
- A study on a famous scientist who has made an important discovery.
- Researching current studies on time.
- A model.
- A piece of art work.
- A piece of writing.

Emotional Wellbeing Workshops

Thank you to all those parents who attended the Emotional Wellbeing Workshops this week run by Heads 2 Minds. These workshops were paid for by funding they received from the Tesco counter voting scheme run locally. Heads 2 Minds are once again one of the chosen charities in the current round of voting in the Tesco stores in Brentwood, so if you are in there, please vote



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for them. I know the feedback was really positive and the workshops were useful. Liz spent some time in every classroom delivering workshops and I know the children engaged with these really well. I'm sure they will be able to tell you about them.

Year 4 Geography

Year 4 are currently studying how the local area has changed as part of their geography work. If any parents or grandparents have any old photos or books with photos in the school, Pilgrims Hatch or Brentwood they would love to borrow them. Please send anything in via the office – they will be very careful with it.

Word of the Week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Odd	Expert	Participate	Adjust	Proceed	Institute	Initiate



Diary Dates

Below are some of the important dates coming up this term:

Monday 11 th March	Science Week
Tuesday 12 th March	Science Workshops
Thursday 14 th March	Science Fair
Friday 15 th March	LPPA Rainbow non-uniform day
Wednesday 20 th March	LPPA Easter pop-up shop
Friday 22 nd March	Don Rae dance workshop Year 4
Tuesday 26 th March	Reports sent home
Wednesday 27 th March	Easter discos
Thursday 28 th March	Break up
Monday 15 th April	Start of Summer Term
Monday 13 th May	Year 6 SATs week
Monday 17 th June	Reception, Year 1 and 2 sports day (am)
Wednesday 19 th June	Year 3 – 6 sports day (am)
Monday 22 nd July	Celebration Evening
Thursday 25 th July	Last day of term



Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Byron in 4LC for demonstrating the value of Honesty.



Stars of the Week

RM	RT	1A	1P	2C	2G	3B
Myla	Isabella	Daniel	Ronnie-Rose	Kadheera	Ada	Stefan
3C	4LC	4T	5P	5L	6C	6R
Lily	James	Yug	Reggie	Joshua	Kendra	Charlie R



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Reading at Home

Well done everybody who read at least 4 times this week, especially as it is World Book Week. Make sure everyone reads over the weekend.

Class	Table shows numbers of children and percentages who read from Monday 4th to Friday 8th March			Percentage Read 4 & 5 times %
	Less than 4	4	5	
RM	4 (15%)	7 (27%)	15 (58%)	22 (85%)
RT	0 (0%)	6 (40%)	10 (60%)	16 (100%)
1A	3 (10%)	10 (34%)	16 (56%)	26 (90%)
1P	3 (10%)	4 (15%)	21 (75%)	25 (90%)
2C	2 (7%)	8 (29%)	18 (64%)	26 (90%)
2G	4 (14%)	3 (11%)	21 (75%)	24 (86%)
3B	4 (14%)	4 (14%)	20 (72%)	24 (86%)
3C	1 (3%)	4 (13%)	25 (84%)	29 (97%)
4LC	0 (0%)	6 (22%)	21 (88%)	27 (100%)
4T	2 (6%)	14 (49%)	13 (45%)	27 (93%)
5L	0 (0%)	7 (21%)	19 (73%)	26 (100%)
5P	1 (3%)	4 (14%)	24 (83%)	28 (97%)
6C	1 (3%)	3 (11%)	24 (86%)	27 (97%)
6R	0 (0%)	3 (11%)	24 (89%)	24 (100%)
Total				94%



Weekly Attendance

Well done 5P, considering the amount of illness around, 100% is brilliant.

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 4th March

Class	RM	RT	1A	1P	2C	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	88.3%	67%	94%	96.9%	95.3%	91.7%	95.3%	
								92%
Class	3C	4LC	4T	5L	5P	6C	6R	
Attendance	99.3%	89.7%	95.3%	91.4%	100%	94.3%	89.7%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
5P	3C	1P



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 6th September 2023

Class	RM	RT	1A	1P	2C	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	96.3%	92.4%	95.4%	95.7%	96.1%	95.2%	95.9%	
								95.3%
Class	3C	4LC	4T	5L	5P	6C	6R	
Attendance	96.2%	94.9%	94.3%	95.1%	96.1%	96.4%	93.5%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
6C	RM	3C



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World Book Day



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