



NEWS & VIEWS

Achievement & Enjoyment

Headteacher Mr S Bowsher



Mr Bowsher's Headteacher Comment:

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of another term already. The spring term seems to have flown by and with the beautiful weather we have been having over the last few weeks, it really feels like we are heading into summer. Over the course of the term, there have been many successes and the learning that has taken place continues to be at a high level.

This week in school has been another wonderful one. We had our Year 6 'come dine with me' on Tuesday which was another great occasion. With just the Reception one to go, it is something that we will definitely be repeating next year. A big thank you to our caterers, Pabulum for their help with these great events. I'm sure you will agree, school dinners these days are delicious.

Over the last couple of weeks many of the classes have been teaching a block of art or cooking. I walked around all the classes on Tuesday afternoon and was really impressed with the work that was going on and how inspiration was being taken from famous artists of the past. One major piece of art work that has been taking place is the decoration of the Easter bunny for the Brentwood Easter Trail. This 5-foot bunny has gradually been changed from a cardboard shape into the most fantastically decorated character. Mrs Bean and her huge team of helpers have covered him in zentangle artwork and then added patches of colour to represent all the subjects and learning that take place in school. He is also complete with monocle, moustache and a title! I am not supposed to share his name (although I think most of the children have a good idea what it is) so that over the two-week break families can go and find him and all 10 bunnies that are around Brentwood, Shenfield and Ingatestone. Details of the trail have been sent to parents and there are details on the last page.

The day is nearly here for Miss Chambers' Brighton Marathon Run. As someone who struggles to make it round the local park run, I know what a challenge this is. Miss Chambers' is aiming to raise £1,000 for the LPPA and when I last checked she was already close to her target thanks to the generosity of parents, staff and friends. If you would like to sponsor her to help her reach her target, you can use one of the QR codes on the posters in the playground or the link [here](#). You can keep updated on her progress via the Brighton Marathon App and then track her using her name or race number (37786).

I couldn't finish without saying a massive thank you to the Larchwood Primary Parents Association (LPPA) who have been busy over the last few weeks. The Easter colour raffle was very successful and it was fantastic seeing the colour buckets being collected by the winners this week. The LPPA have also organised the successful Easter discos that we had yesterday. The money raised last year is now being spent and you may have noticed some new picnic and games tables appearing in the front playground and at the back of Reception. There are some being constructed for the back playground. As we go into summer, there will be more added to outdoor spaces thanks to the LPPA.

Have a great Easter break, enjoy time with your friends, families, the Easter trail and a good book and we will see you all back at 08.30 on Tuesday 22 April.



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Attendance

We know that having good attendance at school means you will do better academically. Today in assembly all the names of the children with 98% attendance were put in the tombola and 20 names were selected at random. These children, (they know who they are) along with one adult are invited to join us for an afternoon tea on Wednesday 30 April. Look out for the invitations.

Word of the Week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Medium	Purchase	Adapt	Multitude	Incapable	Modify	Dynamic



Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Mackenzie in 3C for demonstrating the value of responsibility.



Stars of the Week

RA	RT	1B	1G	2W	2P	3C
Nakai	Olivia	Jesse	Tommy T	Valentina	Tania	Rayzel
3M	4B	4T	5L	5P	6H	6R
Darcy	Leno	Wyatt	Joshua	Quynn	Gabriel	Theo



Reading at Home

Well done 5P, another week with you all reading 5 times.

Class	Table shows numbers of children and percentages who read from Monday 31 March to Friday 4 April			Percentage Read 4 & 5 times %
	Less than 4	4	5	
RA	1 (4%)	4 (15%)	22 (81%)	26 (96%)
RT	4 (14%)	7 (24%)	18 (62%)	25 (86%)
1B	3 (12%)	5 (19%)	18 (69%)	23 (88%)
1G	4 (14%)	5 (18%)	19 (68%)	24 (86%)
2P	2 (7%)	5 (19%)	20 (74%)	25 (93%)
2W	3 (12%)	7 (26%)	16 (62%)	23 (88%)
3C	4 (12%)	5 (16%)	22 (72%)	27 (88%)
3M	1 (4%)	7 (26%)	19 (70%)	26 (96%)
4B	0 (0%)	3 (11%)	25 (89%)	28 (100%)
4T	0 (0%)	8 (32%)	17 (68%)	25 (100%)
5L	2 (8%)	4 (16%)	19 (76%)	23 (92%)
5P	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	27 (100%)	27 (100%)
6H	1 (4%)	6 (22%)	20 (74%)	26 (96%)
6R	2 (7%)	4 (15%)	21 (78%)	25 (93%)
Total				93%



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Diary Dates

Friday 4 April	Break up
Tuesday 22 April	Back to school
Thursday 24 April	Year 3 trip to Chelmsford Museum
Friday 25 April	Don Rae with Year 4
Tuesday 29 April	Reception 'Come dine with me'
Thursday 1 May	Year 4 Viking Day
Thursday 1 May	The '2 Johns' online safety workshop – details to follow
Thursday 8 May	VE day celebrations
Friday 9 May	LPPA doughnut sale
Monday 12 May	Year 6 SATs week
Wednesday 21 May	Parent workshop – smartphone free childhood meeting
Friday 23 May	Break up
Monday 2 June	Back to school
Thursday 5 June	Year 5 trip to Colchester Zoo
Wednesday 25 June	Year 4 Trip
Wednesday 2 nd July	Year 1 Trip to Barleylands
Friday 4 July	LPPA Colour Run



Weekly Attendance

Well done 2P for having the best attendance this week.

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 31 March 2025

Class	RA	RT	1B	1G	2W	2P	3C	Whole school
Attendance	88%	97%	91.3%	93.3%	92.8%	97.1%	95%	
Class	3M	4B	4T	5L	5P	6H	6R	93.5%
Attendance	92.8%	93%	95.7%	93%	96.4%	92.1%	92.1%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
2P	RT	5P



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 3 September 2024

Class	RA	RT	1B	1G	2W	2P	3C	Whole school
Attendance	94.4%	95%	93.6%	96.6%	96%	96.3%	94.7%	
Class	3M	4B	4T	5L	5P	6H	6R	95.4%
Attendance	96.3%	95.7%	96.3%	96.5%	95.1%	94.6%	95%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1G	5L	2P



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EASTER BUNNY TRAIL

Monday 7 April - Monday 21 April

FREE EVENT

Find all 10 of our Easter Bunnies in Brentwood, Shenfield & Ingatestone for a chance to win prizes!

Pick up a Trail map from participating venues, or download on our website

FREE EASTER EVENT DAYS (11am - 3pm)
meet the Easter Bunny and enjoy Easter crafts

Thursday 10 April in Brentwood High Street

Friday 11 April in Hutton Road, Shenfield

Thursday 17 April in Ingatestone High Street

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