



NEWS & VIEWS

Achievement & Enjoyment

Headteacher Mr S Bowsher



Headteacher's Comment:

Today I wanted to talk about Respect. When we talk to the children about respect we link it to many different contexts – respecting ourselves, respecting each other, respecting adults, adults respecting children, respecting property – the list is long. Next week is Anti-Bullying week across the country and we will be doing some work on it in school. Bullying is behaviour by an individual or group, repeated over time, that intentionally hurts another individual or group either physically or emotionally. At Larchwood we challenge any unkind behaviour and teach children why it isn't acceptable so that in an ideal world, there won't be bullying. That is why teaching about the value of respect is so important. If you respect others and their differences unkind things shouldn't happen.

On Monday children can wear odd socks to school. Normal school uniform, just odd socks and no money (unlike Children in Need on Friday 18th). This will help raise awareness that it is Anti-Bullying week. In assembly at the end of the day Mrs Jaycock and the Junior Governing Board will be talking about Anti-Bullying and who you can reach out to if you are worried about bullying.

Active Travel

Despite the worsening weather and the shorter days, we continue to have 84% of children making active journeys to school. Well done to 4S who have 96% coming to school at least once a week in an active way. To try to encourage even more people to travel in an active way, Essex recently asked schools to apply for grants that would be used to increase active journeys. We were successful in winning a grant for £7,100 which we intend to use to pay for additional bike and scooter parking, hopefully at both entrances.

LPPA

On Tuesday the Larchwood Primary Parents Association held their AGM. Last year was their most successful yet and a profit of nearly £5,000 was made for the benefit of the school. We are planning to ask the LPPA to help pay for some additional equipment and facilities in our playgrounds. I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who organise and run events. The children really enjoy these and the money that you donate and they raise really makes a difference. They have many exciting events planned in the lead up to Christmas.

Twitter

We have a very large following on Twitter and we often share some of the great things that happen in school on there. If you don't follow us please do. Just set up an account on the app if you don't have one already and follow us [@LarchwoodPS](https://twitter.com/LarchwoodPS) and the LPPA [@LarchwoodPA](https://twitter.com/LarchwoodPA)

Reception Admissions 2023

This year we are doing a record number of parent tours for parents wanting to join Larchwood



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in September 2023. Just a reminder that all admissions for next year need to be submitted by January 15th via the Essex admissions [website](#).

Naming Clothing

Please, please label all of your child's clothing. This particularly applies to jumpers and coats. At the end of last half term we had acquired a record number of items in lost property, all without names. I can highly recommend [My Nametags](#). Their stickers are excellent and the LPPA get a donation from them with every order if you tell them your child's school.

Word of the Week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Create	Edit	Previous	Prior	Diagram	Malevolent	Corporate



Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Brogan in 6R – for demonstrating the value of Responsibility as a play leader.



Stars of the Week

RR	RT	1A	1P	2B	2G	3B
Liliana	Lucas	Grace	James	Bella	Grace	Ralphie
3C	4B	4S	5D	5L	6R	6C
Elsie-Mae	Drishti	Mia	Yvette	Lillie-Mai	Caleb	Devon



Reading at Home

Not our best week. Please keep reading over half term everyone.

Class	Table shows numbers of children and percentages from Monday 7th November to Friday 11th November (percentages are rounded) Times Read						Percentage Read 4 & 5 times %
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
RR	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (10%)	7 (23%)	20 (76%)	90%
RT	1 (4%)	1 (4%)	0 (0%)	7 (26%)	9 (33%)	9 (33%)	66%
1A	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	6 (21%)	23 (79%)	100%
1P	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	5 (17%)	24 (80%)	97%
2BC	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (10%)	4 (13%)	23 (77%)	90%
2G	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (7%)	3 (10%)	23 (83%)	93%
3B	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)	2 (7%)	9 (30%)	18 (60%)	90%
3C	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	6 (20%)	24 (80%)	100%
4B	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	9 (31%)	19 (66%)	97%
4S	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (7%)	1 (3%)	27 (90%)	93%
5D	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	5 (17%)	24 (83%)	100%
5L	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (10%)	25 (86%)	96%
6C	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	28 (97%)	100%
6R	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (6%)	28 (94%)	100%
Total							94%



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Weekly Attendance

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 7th November

Class	RR	RT	1A	1P	2BC	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	96.1%	93%	94.3%	98.7%	98.7%	94.5%	98.3%	
Class	3C	4B	4S	5D	5L	6C	6R	96.7%
Attendance	96.5%	96%	99.3%	97.3%	97.2%	96.7%	96.6%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
4S	2BC / 1P	3B



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 2nd September 2022

Class	RR	RT	1A	1P	2BC	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	95.1%	96%	95.6%	95.5%	96.9%	96.9%	96.5%	
Class	3C	4B	4S	5D	5L	6C	6R	96.2%
Attendance	97.8%	95.6%	95.8%	94.8%	96%	97.3%	96.8%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
3C	6C	2G / 2BC



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