



NEWS & VIEWS

Achievement & Enjoyment

Headteacher Mr S Bowsher



Headteacher's Comment:

Routines are good. Children and adults thrive on a routine and when it comes to school, we run on routines. Having good routines that are consistent and the same each day means that children feel comfortable and confident. Don't get me wrong, having a break from routines at times can be good, especially at the weekend or in the holidays, but during term time having good routines makes the day run smoothly.

Our routines at school are set by the times of lessons and bells, but 2 examples of school related routines that happen at home are morning routines getting ready for school and the routine of reading at home (even if children are off with Covid they can do this hopefully).

A handful of parents will know that Mrs Jaycock and I have been on the main gate each morning stopping parents who are bringing children in late to find out why this is the case. It's been good to see only a handful of parents late and numbers reduced, but it also highlights the huge majority of you who have good routines and are on time. Well done.

In terms of reading at home, well done to the 95 % who have read at least 4 times this week - more good routines, the remaining 19 children will hopefully improve next week - remember the New Year's resolution I set to read at least 4 times each week.

Covid update

I was in a meeting with Essex headteachers and the director of Public Health in Essex on Wednesday getting an update on Covid. He was clear that there were not likely to be any further restrictions put in place and things may even start to ease. We are getting used to living with the virus and school and life needs to carry on as normal. It means we can get back to our usual routines.

We continue to see positive cases in school and when we do children currently isolate for the 7 days (6 full days) before returning back to the normal routine. When children are off with Covid, teachers are setting work for them to do remotely so that the routine of work can be maintained even from home.

You will probably have seen that the government have changed the isolation time for people who test positive for Covid. From Monday this means that anyone who tests positive (or is currently isolating) needs to isolate for only 5 full days provided they test negative on the morning of day 5 and again 24 hours later on day 6. Day 1 is the first day after symptoms start or the LFD test is positive. If they are positive still on day 5, they test again on day 6 and 7 etc.



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This is good news as it means children and staff who test negative can get back to the routines of school a day earlier than currently. If you are not sure, the ladies in the office continue to be experts, so speak to them.

Have a great weekend.



Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Ada in RT – for always demonstrating all the school values.



Stars of the Week

RS	RT	1A	1P	2B	2G	3B
Grace	Zara	Grace G	Parker	Arabella	Jack	Kai
3C	4D	4S	5B	5L	6R	6S
Ashton	Alex	Isaac	Ruby	Ethan	Catherine	Rubi



Reading at Home

7 classes read at least 4 times. Well done in particular to all the older children.

Class	Table shows numbers of children and percentages from Monday 10th January to Friday 14th January (percentages are rounded) Times Read						Percentage Read 4 & 5 times %
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
RS	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (13%)	21 (87%)	100%
RT	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (13%)	3 (13%)	3 (13%)	14 (61%)	74%
1A	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (7%)	28 (93%)	100%
1P	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (6%)	5 (17%)	23 (77%)	94%
2B	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (13%)	24 (88%)	100%
2G	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	2 (8%)	2 (8%)	3 (12%)	17 (68%)	80%
3B	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	2 (8%)	1 (4%)	2 (8%)	20 (76%)	84%
3C	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	3 (11%)	23 (85%)	96%
4D	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	4 (14%)	23 (82%)	96%
4S	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)	5 (17%)	23 (80%)	97%
5B	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (4%)	4 (14%)	24 (86%)	100%
5L	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (7%)	27 (93%)	100%
6R	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (7%)	27 (93%)	100%
6S	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (10%)	26 (90%)	100%
Total							95%



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Weekly Attendance

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 10th January 2022

Class	RS	RT	1A	1P	2B	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	87.7%	81.6%	99.3%	98.3%	93.4%	85.7%	98.1%	
Class	3C	4D	4S	5B	5L	6R	6S	94%
Attendance	96.4%	97.9%	95.3%	97.9%	94.3%	94.2%	95.2%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1A	1P	3B



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 2nd September 2021

Class	RS	RT	1A	1P	2B	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	94.9%	92.7%	96.4%	95.1%	96.6%	90.2%	95.6%	
Class	3C	4D	4S	5B	5L	6R	6S	94.3%
Attendance	95.3%	96.6%	95.5%	92.7%	93.6%	94.3%	91.2%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
4D & 2B	1A	3B



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