

NEWS & VIEWS

Achievement & Enjoyment

Headteacher Mr S Bowsher



Headteacher's Comment:

It has been an extremely busy week at Larchwood and I'm sure if you follow our Twitter feed you will have seen some of the things that have been going on (If you don't follow our Twitter feed, have a look). To give you a taste of just some of the things we had Year 2 at Thorndon Park, Year 5 at Colchester Zoo and a drumming workshop for Year 3 and 4 today.

The biggest thing probably going on this week has been Year 6 on their Residential in Mersea Island. They have nearly finished their time at Larchwood and will have many memories, but a trip like this is something they will remember forever. For most of them it will be the longest they have been away from their families and they will have that first bit of independence looking after themselves a little more. They also get to take part in a range of adventure activities including high ropes, caving, giant swing and cycling. I went with them 4 years ago and it was a fabulous week.

All the things above are about the enjoyment part of our school motto. The achievement part of it you will be able to see today as well, as the children's reports are coming home (with the exception of Year 6). I have read and commented on all 420 reports and reading them all was a real pleasure. To see the progress made, the effort put in and the positive comments the teachers wrote was fabulous!

Celebration Evening

On Monday 17th July we have our celebration evening from 4:30pm until 7pm. For those of you who haven't been to this before it is an opportunity to come in to the school with your children so they can share their books and look at their work with you. They will show you around the school, you can meet our governors and even taste some of the food that Leigh our chef cooks. You will also get to see your child's class teacher informally and meet their new teacher in their new classroom. Unfortunately, Miss Gardner will not be able to be there, but the books will be out. Miss Paxton and Miss Tregunno, our new teachers, will also be present.

Reception transition

One of the things we had happening this week was our new Reception transition morning. It was so good to see all our new Larchwood children in school and they had a great morning. Just a reminder that there is a second transition morning on Tuesday 18th.

Sunflower challenge

Thank you for all the sunflower competition entries. We have had a huge number emailed in or posted on Twitter and the office ladies are busy compiling these so we can announce the winners next week. I know for sure that I haven't won – again! I'm hoping our tallest sunflower can also beat the tallest sunflower that Hogarth has.

Summer challenge

Over the summer holidays we have run a number of summer challenges in the past. Last year every



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child was given a map of London and encouraged to visit or do some work there. This year there will be a new summer challenge with a range of things that children may want to do over the summer. Details of this will be with you next week.

Word of the Week

Reception	Year l	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Decline	Design	Reveal	Strategy	Percent	Biography	Prejudice



Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Sadie in RR for demonstrating the value of Perseverance.



Stars of the Week

RR	RT	1A	1P	2B	2G	3B
Michael	Lilly	Darcy	Ada	George	Georgia	Alayna
3C	4B	4S	5D	5L	6R	6C
Molly	Ronnie	Niya	Demiee-Lee	All of 5L	All of Year 6	All of Year 6



Reading at Home

Well done 5L, it is a shame the rest of the school wasn't as good. One last week to get the number up.

Class	Table shows numl	Percentage Read 4 & 5 times %		
	Less than 4	4	5	
RR	6 (20%)	8 (28%)	7 (52%)	80%
RT	9 (32%)	5 (18%)	14 (50%)	68%
1A	1 (4%)	7 (25%)	21 (71%)	96%
1P	6 (22%)	3 (10%)	19 (68%)	78%
2BC	6 (21%)	5 (17%)	18 (62%)	79%
2G	3 (10%)	5 (17%)	22 (73%)	90%
3B	4 (14%)	5 (16%)	21 (70%)	86%
3C	2 (7%)	5 (17%)	22 (76%)	93%
4B	2 (7%)	6 (20%)	22 (73%)	93%
4S	2 (7%)	1 (3%)	25 (90%)	93%
5D	1 (3%)	2 (7%)	27 (90%)	97%
5L	0 (0%)	3 (10%)	27 (90%)	100%
6C	-	_	-	-
6R	-	-	-	-
Total				88%



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Weekly Attendance

Weekly Attendance - week commencing Monday 10th July

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Class	RR	RT	1A	1P	2BC	2G	3B	Whole
Attendance	96.4%	94.5%	93.5%	90%	96.8%	98.3%	96.3%	school
Class	3C	4B	4S	5D	5L	6C	6R	95.6%
Attendance	95.7%	96.3%	93.7%	98%	100%	93.3%	95.3%	

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



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 2nd September 2022

Class	RR	RT	1A	1P	2BC	2G	3B	Whole
Attendance	94.6%	93.8%	95%	94.3%	95.4%	96.3%	94.1%	school
Class	3C	4B	4S	5D	5L	6C	6R	95%
Attendance	96.5%	95.6%	95.2%	94.8%	96.3%	93.9%	95%	

1 st	2 nd	3^{rd}
3C	2 G	5L





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