



NEWS & VIEWS

Achievement & Enjoyment

Headteacher Mr S Bowsher



Headteacher's Comment:

Over the last 6 weeks I have talked about the aims of our curriculum. The last of these is to leave Larchwood with a lifelong enthusiasm for learning that enables children to reach their potential. All the things I have talked about in the previous 5 weeks help to build on pupils' skills and abilities and make sure they are ready for the next stage of their education at secondary school. I have been at Larchwood long enough now to know students who are now taking their GCSE's and A'levels and it is clear that the good start they have had here has meant that whichever of our local secondary schools they have attended, they are continuing to reach their potential.

Collaboration

You are probably not aware of some of the work we do with other schools. For the last year and a half, we have been part of the Brentwood Collaborative Partnership (BCP). This is a group of 17 local primary schools that exist to help provide the best outcomes for pupils across Brentwood. The remit is to inspire, collaborate and achieve. I have already spent days at two of the local schools to help review their provision and to champion improvement and last week 2 of the headteachers were here looking our teaching and use of vocabulary – our aim for children to leave with a rich vocabulary.

They were suitably impressed with what they saw. One of the things we talked about was word of the week. This is something that classes talk about at the start of the week and then throughout the week. It helps develop that rich vocabulary so children understand and use new words. This week the words for each year group were:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Allotment	Goal	Transmit	Convert	Approach	Comprise	Synchronise

Feel free to talk to your child about their specific word and try to encourage them to use it. I'll try to share the words each week so you can be further involved in your child's learning.

Chase High School

Chase High School in Southend, which is one of the schools in our academy trust had an Ofsted inspection before half term. This is a school that has never been graded above requires improvement. I am pleased to announce that for the first time in 30 years it has been graded good. Congratulations to Mr Foster, the headteacher, and all the team at the school for this fantastic achievement. The Discovery Educational Trust goes from strength to strength.



Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Olly in 6R for demonstrating the values of friendship and responsibility.



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Stars of the Week

RS	RT	1A	1P	2B	2G	3B
Olivia	Jack	Zac	Spencer	Brodie	Indie	Samuel
3C	4D	4S	5B	5L	6R	6S
Leo	Lucy	Seb	Ruby	Freddie	Ava	Stefanie



Reading at Home

Well done to the classes with 100%. A few classes slipped this week.

Class	Table shows numbers of children and percentages from Monday 14th March to Friday 18th March (percentages are rounded) Times Read						Percentage Read 4 & 5 times %
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
RS	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	4 (15%)	22 (81%)	26 (96%)
RT	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (7%)	2 (7%)	9 (32%)	15 (54%)	24 (86%)
1A	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	5 (19%)	21 (81%)	26 (100%)
1P	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (11%)	23 (89%)	26 (100%)
2B	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	4 (14%)	24 (86%)	28 (100%)
2G	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (10%)	6 (20%)	1 (4%)	19 (66%)	20 (70%)
3B	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	0 (0%)	4 (14%)	23 (82%)	27 (96%)
3C	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	3 (12%)	21 (84%)	24 (96%)
4D	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	4 (15%)	23 (85%)	27 (100%)
4S	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	5 (19%)	21 (78%)	26 (97%)
5B	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	1 (4%)	23 (92%)	24 (96%)
5L	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)	3 (11%)	24 (86%)	27 (97%)
6R	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (10%)	27 (90%)	30 (100%)
6S	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	2 (7%)	25 (89%)	27 (96%)
Total							95%



Weekly Attendance

Well done 4D, a great week for you .

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 14th March 2022

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Class	4D	2B	RT	6R	RS
Attendance	97.4%	96.8%	96.7%	96.5%	96.3%



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