



NEWS & VIEWS

Achievement & Enjoyment

Headteacher Mr S Bowsher



Headteacher's Comment:

Throughout everything we do at Larchwood we teach SMSC. You may never have heard of this acronym and it stands for Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development. This is not an individual subject like English or Science, but something that we teach every day in lessons and activities. It is very much about our ethos and values and is what helps Larchwood children become the great children that leave us at the end of Year 6 ready for secondary school.

A perfect example of when we provide children with SMSC is in assembly. I did an assembly on Wednesday and we talked about our 6 values like we do in most assemblies. The children were very easily able to tell me what they were (Friendship, Fairness, Respect, Responsibility, Honesty and Perseverance) and we then talked about Friendship in detail and how we become even better friends.

SMSC also links well to our British Values which we talk about frequently. All schools teach the British Values which are:

- The Rule of Law
- Democracy
- Individual Liberty
- Mutual Respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith.

There were two things that happened this week that are very much about these British Values and what it is like to live in Britain. One that some of the younger children will be less aware of is Democracy. Yesterday the Year 6 / children's kitchen part of the school was closed off for the children due to voting in the local elections. I'm sure many of you came to vote. Year 5 and 6 moved classrooms and will therefore be really aware of the importance for voting and democracy.

Today we have celebrated the King's coronation. For all of us this is history once again happening in front of our eyes and we felt it was worth spending the day learning about it. People will have their own views about a monarchy, but what is important is to understand the significance it has in Britain and our culture. It is part of what makes us British.

The children have done lots of interesting activities including crown designing and invitation writing that all link to subjects across the curriculum such as art, English and history. Thank you to the LPPA and Leigh our chef for helping with resources and to Miss Butterworth and all the staff for organizing a great day. Enjoy the extra bank holiday weekend.

Word of the Week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Found	Contact	Draft	Foundation	Emerge	Regulate	Indicate



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Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Wilf in 1P for demonstrating the value of friendship.



Stars of the Week

RR	RT	1A	1P	2B	2G	3B
Indie	Valentina	Mackenzie	Cassian	Abira	Valerie	Lacey-Ann
3C	4B	4S	5D	5L	6R	6C
Bodie	Elsie	Ralph	Callum	Lillie-Mai	Emilia	Ellie-May



Reading at Home

No reading numbers this week due to the bank holiday and some classes being closed on Tuesday. Please read over the bank holiday weekend.



Weekly Attendance

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Tuesday 2nd May

Class	RR	RT	1A	1P	2BC	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	85.7%	67.1%	99.4%	83.3%	87.5%	98.3%	92.5%	
Class	3C	4B	4S	5D	5L	6C	6R	92.1%
Attendance	100%	94.2%	96.7%	92.2%	96.7%	98.3%	97.9%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
3C	1A	2G



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 2nd September 2022

Class	RR	RT	1A	1P	2BC	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	94.7%	94.2%	94.6%	94.4%	95.1%	96.4%	93.8%	
Class	3C	4B	4S	5D	5L	6C	6R	94.9%
Attendance	95.9%	95.5%	95.4%	94.2%	95.9%	94.4%	94.6%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
2G	3C & 5L	4B



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