



Headteacher's Comment:

Yesterday I informed you of the changes at the end of next week and at the start of next term. These are not decisions I take lightly and I appreciate it is short notice. However, if a 'bubble' has to isolate then this has to happen immediately so the notice will be even shorter. I sincerely hope we don't have to be having many more home learning days next year. Being in school in front of teachers is how children learn best and make such good progress. Our home learning model, when we have to use it, means that there is flexibility for parents who may be working or have limited access to the internet and the work can be accessed when it suits family life. Home learning is better than not doing any learning, but being in school is better for children.

Reports are coming home today. These show a big improvement in the progress children are making. The impact of the first lockdown is still evident, but the excellent work teachers, LSAs and children are doing is paying off along with the additional things we have put in place with the help of the catch-up premium.

As we are now close to the end of term I wanted to let you know that Mrs Markham who works in Reception is leaving at the end of term. She is relocating away from Essex which is exciting for her and her family, but obviously sad for us. She has been with us since 2015 which means she will have taught children from the current Reception up to Year 5. Our children start their school journey extremely well and Mrs Markham's contribution to this can't be underestimated. I'm sure she will be sorely missed and you will want to join me in wishing her good luck. We have already been joined in Reception by Ms McWilliam and Mrs Ford is joining in January.

It is now only two weeks until Christmas Day and I forgot to mention last week that we have a virtual pantomime next Tuesday performed by the drama students at The University of Essex. This is on top of Christmas dinner on Wednesday.

Have a great weekend – nearly there everyone!



Stars of the Week

RS	RT	1P	1PR	2B	2G	3A
Valerie	Parker	Amelia-Lily	Mason	Millie	Caleb	Demiee-Lee
3B	4D	4K	5R	5S	6PA	
Ben	Leila	Jessica	Emma	Eden	Gabriel	



Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Finlay in 2B – demonstrating the value of friendship.





Weekly Attendance

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 7th December 2020

Class	RS	RT	1P	1PR	2B	2G	3A	Whole school
Attendance	99.0%	98.7%	99.0%	94.3%	97.0%	97.7%	95.3%	
								96.1%
Class	3B	4D	4K	5R	5S	6PA		
Attendance	97.9%	95.4%	92.6%	95.8%	93.8%	92.8%		

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
RS and 1P	RT	3B



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 4th September 2020

Class	RS	RT	1P	1PR	2B	2G	3A	Whole school
Attendance	98.6%	99.0%	98.7%	96.6%	97.5%	98.3%	97.5%	
								97.5%
Class	3B	4D	4K	5R	5S	6PA		
Attendance	98.4%	97.0%	95.9%	97.5%	96.5%	96.6%		

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
RT	1P	RS



Reading at Home

Class	Table shows numbers of children and percentages from Monday 7th December to Friday 11th December 2020 (percentages are rounded) Times Read						Percentage 4 and 5 times
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
RS	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (11%)	26 (89%)	100%
RT	1 (3%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)	3 (10%)	3 (10%)	22 (74%)	84%
1P	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (7%)	2 (7%)	4 (14%)	21 (72%)	86%
1PR	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (8%)	1 (3%)	2 (7%)	28 (90%)	97%
2B	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	5 (18%)	23 (82%)	100%
2G	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)	4 (14%)	24 (83%)	97%
3A	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (10%)	6 (21%)	20 (69%)	90%
3B	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	1 (3%)	5 (17%)	5 (17%)	17 (60%)	77%
4D	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (11%)	24 (89%)	100%
4K	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	4 (15%)	23 (85%)	100%
5R	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	5 (19%)	22 (81%)	100%
5S	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	1 (4%)	3 (11%)	22 (81%)	92%
6PA	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (10%)	4 (13%)	23 (77%)	90%
Total							93%



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