



News and Views



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Friday 25th September 2020

Headteacher's Comment

Around the school you may see the words 'Achievement and Enjoyment' written. They are written on the side of the Early Years building and by the exit that the Years 4, 5 and 6 use. Over the summer our sign writer painted the same two words above the entrance in the lobby. Achievement and Enjoyment is what we aim for every day at Larchwood and is what I see when walking around the school. If children can achieve their potential and enjoy their time at Larchwood then we have done our job.

Something we talk about with our children all the time are our school values. There are six of these and they are:

Fairness

Friendship

Responsibility

Respect

Honesty

Perseverance

Every two weeks we have a theme for our assemblies where we talk about one of these values. At the end of the week someone in each class is awarded a 'hand' that is stuck on our values tree. They look like leaves and there are currently thirteen of these on the tree for the value of fairness from last week. If your child comes home and says they were awarded a hand, this what they mean.

Every week I also award my superstar trophy to somebody who has stood out for demonstrating one, some or all of our values. This week I'm delighted to award it to one of our youngest children in Reception who demonstrates our values all of the time. Well done!

Special Menu

On Thursday it is school census day and some of our funding is decided on how many children have a school meal on this day. Pabulum, our caterers, have a special menu for the hot meals and the grab bags on Thursday to encourage more children to have a school dinner. A copy of the menu will have been sent out to you. If children don't like the idea of a fish finger bag (I'll be having one), then cheese and ham sandwiches are still available. Please talk to your child about this and book a meal via Parentpay if you can as it makes a difference to the school.

Safeguarding

You may be aware of stories on social media about people acting suspiciously around children. Essex police have written to all schools to clarify that nothing has been reported to them and we are not aware of anything in the area. If you do have concerns, please report these to the Essex police.

Winter Weather

Now that the weather is turning more autumnal, please make sure that children bring a coat to school as they will need this for break time and lunchtime. PE lessons will continue to be outside as much as possible, so if your child doesn't have a tracksuit top and bottoms in their PE bag, can you arrange for this to be sent in ready for the winter weather.

Have a great weekend.

Reading at Home

Table shows outcomes from **Monday 21st September to Friday 25th September 2020** (percentages are rounded)

Class	Times read at home during the week – number of children and percentages						Percentage 4 and 5 times
	0	1	2	3	4	5	
RS	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	28 (100%)	100%
RT	1 (3%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	2 (7%)	4 (13%)	22 (74%)	87%
1P	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)	2 (7%)	27 (90%)	97%
1PR	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)	3 (12%)	23 (85%)	97%
2B	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	5 (18%)	21 (78%)	96%
2G	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	5 (18%)	22 (79%)	97%
3A	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	4 (14%)	25 (86%)	100%
3B	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	6 (21%)	21 (75%)	96%
4D	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	3 (10%)	5 (17%)	21 (70%)	87%
4K	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (7%)	3 (10%)	5 (17%)	19 (66%)	83%
5R	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	4 (14%)	25 (86%)	100%
5S	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (11%)	25 (89%)	100%
6PA	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (4%)	1 (4%)	4 (14%)	22 (78%)	92%
Total							

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 21st September 2020

Class	RS	RT	1P	1PR	2B	2G	3A	Whole school
Attendance	97.3%	96.7%	98.3%	95.9%	98.6%	96.3%	97.2%	
Class	3B	4D	4K	5R	5S	6PA		97.9%
Attendance	99.3%	99.7%	96.5%	99.3%	97.3%	100%		

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
6PA	4D	3B & 5R

Yearly Attendance – from 4th September 2020

Class	RS	RT	1P	1PR	2B	2G	3A	Whole school
Attendance	97.3%	98.0%	98.8%	97.4%	96.3%	96.9%	97.8%	
Class	3B	4D	4K	5R	5S	6PA		97.3%
Attendance	97.0%	98.2%	94.9%	96.4%	98.1%	98.4%		

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1P	6PA	4D

Stars of the Week

RS	RT	1P	1PR	2B	2G	3A
Grace	Tilly G	Yug	Betsy	Ruby-Leigh	Ava	Zachary
3B	4D	4K	5R	5S	6PA	
Dollyanna	Max	Kayleigh	Jamie	Oliver	Louise	

Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award	Mylo in RT for always demonstrating all the school values.
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