



# NEWS & VIEWS

Achievement & Enjoyment

Headteacher Mr S Bowsher



## Headteacher Comment:

Another busy week at Larchwood and the summer weather finally turned up as well. Our Geography fieldwork month continued this week with both Year 2 and Year 5 going on a local walk (although Year 2's was related to their English book). Year 2 also had a visit from a bee keeper who came and spoke to them all about looking after bees and today was our music day which included a drumming workshop for Year 3 and 4.

Of course, the highlight of the week was the two sports days. I took quite a few photos for X and when looking back at them the overarching theme was one of children trying their best and enjoying themselves – there is no doubt that the children demonstrated the Larchwood values. The day would not be a success without all of your support or without the hard work of Mrs Pirie and Mr Duncan, the parent volunteers and all the staff who help to make the day run smoothly. The overall final results are: 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Green Team, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Blue Team, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Red Team, 4<sup>th</sup> Place – Yellow Team.

### General Election 2024

At previous general elections we have had to close the school due to the hall being used as a polling station. The good news this year is that the election office at Brentwood Council have agreed that they can use the two rooms they use at local elections at the Year 6 end of the school. As this can be kept locked and access is via the carpark, we are able to keep the school **fully open**. While I'm talking about the election, BBC Essex were in on Thursday talking to some Year 4 children about the upcoming election and what they would do if they became Prime Minister. I'll let you know when the item is being played on the breakfast show – I'm sure they've had some excellent suggestions. Below are some photos of events that have happened in school this week – have a great weekend!



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<https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/larchwood-primary-school>

## Word of the Week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Similar	Item	Range	Consist	Scenario	Psychology	Enhance



## Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Elliot in 6C for showing the value of responsibility in the community when helping a young child.



## Stars of the Week

RM	RT	1A	1P	2C	2G	3B
Scarlett	Max	Leo	Sophia	Darcy	Wilf	Parker
3C	4LC	4T	5L	5P	6C	6R
Nino	Byron	Yug	Stanley	Ralph	Hudson	Miller



## Reading at Home

Well done 6R, amazing as always. There are too many classes where children are not reading enough this week – please read 4 times a week at least.

Class	Table shows numbers of children and percentages who read from <b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>			Percentage Read 4 & 5 times %
	Less than 4	4	5	
RM	6 (20%)	4 (13%)	20 (67%)	24 (80%)
RT	5 (19%)	4 (15%)	17 (66%)	21 (71%)
1A	5 (17%)	6 (21%)	18 (62%)	18 (62%)
1P	2 (6%)	10 (36%)	10 (58%)	20 (94%)
2C	5 (18%)	7 (25%)	16 (57%)	23 (82%)
2G	3 (10%)	9 (31%)	17 (59%)	26 (80%)
3B	2 (8%)	4 (14%)	22 (78%)	26 (92%)
3C	7 (22%)	8 (26%)	16 (52%)	24 (78%)
4LC	1 (4%)	7 (25%)	20 (71%)	27 (96%)
4T	2 (7%)	9 (32%)	17 (61%)	26 (93%)
5L	9 (32%)	4 (14%)	15 (54%)	19 (68%)
5P	1 (4%)	7 (25%)	20 (71%)	27 (96%)
6C	1 (4%)	5 (19%)	20 (77%)	25 (96%)
6R	0 (0%)	3 (11%)	24 (89%)	<b>27 (100%)</b>
Total				86%



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# Diary Dates

Below are some of the important dates coming up this term:

Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 Trip – Chelmsford Museum
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Trip – Barleylands
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	LPPA ice cream sale
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 taster day at St Martins
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	LPPA Big Barbeque and Bounce (after school)
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 Trip – Thorndon Country Park
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 end of year production – 1:45pm and 6:00pm
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Residential Trip – Mersea Outdoors
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception Trip – Boydells Dairy Farm
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 – 6 French day
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Move Up Morning
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Celebration Evening
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Junior Governing Board trip to Parliament
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	End of year discos
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Larchwood's Got Talent and Last day of term



# Weekly Attendance

**Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

Class	RM	RT	1A	1P	2C	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	95.9%	93.3%	95.3%	95.4%	96.3%	95.1%	96.1%	
Class	3C	4LC	4T	5L	5P	6C	6R	95.3%
Attendance	95.9%	95.6%	94.6%	95.2%	95.6%	96.4%	93.5%	

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
6C	2C	3B



# Yearly Attendance

**Yearly Attendance – from 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

Class	RM	RT	1A	1P	2C	2G	3B	Whole school
Attendance	98.7%	96.3%	95.3%	92%	95%	92.7%	93.7%	
Class	3C	4LC	4T	5L	5P	6C	6R	95.3%
Attendance	96.5%	97%	93.7%	96.9%	95.5%	96.2%	94.5%	

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
RM	4LC	5L



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