



NEWS & VIEWS

Achievement & Enjoyment

Headteacher Mr S Bowsher



Mr Bowsher's Headteacher Comment:

As always, it has been another busy week here at Larchwood to cap off another brilliant half term. For example, we had a Year 3 and 4 hockey event on Tuesday as well as it being safer internet day. Wednesday and Thursday saw two well attended and positive parent consultation evenings. These meetings are so important to reinforce the relationship between home and school allowing us to all work together. The responses that we have had from parents from the annual survey has once again been fantastic.

The feedback we have received about the new spelling homework from parents has been really positive. The way it has been designed allows children to apply spelling rules and therefore be able to spell a range of words, rather than having to learn individual words. Thank you for supporting your children with completing this - last week there were only 4 children in the whole school who had not completed the work fully.

Looking ahead, we have lots going on in school during half term. The heating and water distribution projects are due to finish – the compound in the playground should be leaving, we have new computers being installed in our computer suite with the old ones going out to classrooms as well as having new data cabling installed.

We have now confirmed the dates of the first six 'Come Dine With Me' lunches hosted with our caterers, Pabulum. Each week the children in one year group can have one of their adults come in and have a school dinner with their child. This is simply booked for the adult on parent pay and then the adult will be able to sit with their child and enjoy lunch. Year 1 already have the details of their event (don't forget to book by midday on Friday 21 February) and the other dates have been added to Diary Dates below. Specific details for the other year groups will come before each event.

Have a great week off, relax, get working on those science projects for the fair in March and keep up reading

TTRS Battle of the Bands

This week our fifth round of TTRS battles took place. 5L won against 3C, 6R beat 4T, 5L beat 4B and in an epic battle with the highest ever scores, 6H beat 4B by 2 points. The leader board looks like this:

	W	D	L	Points
6H	5	0	0	15
4B	4	0	1	13
5L	4	0	1	13
4T	2	0	3	9
6R	2	0	3	9
5P	2	0	3	9
3C	1	0	4	7
3M	0	0	5	5

Week 6 battles

(begin on 24 February):

3M vs 6R

3C vs 6H

4T vs 5L

4B vs 5P



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Word of the Week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Goal	Inspect	Telephone	Audience	Require	Distinct	Adequate



Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Harley in 6H for demonstrating the value of responsibility and perseverance.



Stars of the Week

RA	RT	1B	1G	2W	2P	3C
Ava	Imogen	Jack	George	Bella	Danielle	Chloe
3M	4B	4T	5L	5P	6H	6R
Millie	Leighton	George	Aaryan	Brody	Samuel	Abina



Reading at Home

Another great week for 4T, 5P and both Year 6 classes. Well done once again 5P for having 100% reading 5 times.

Class	Table shows numbers of children and percentages who read from Monday 10 February to Friday 14 February			Percentage Read 4 & 5 times %
	Less than 4	4	5	
RA	5 (17%)	9 (31%)	15 (52%)	24 (83%)
RT	3 (10%)	9 (31%)	17 (59%)	28 (90%)
1B	2 (7%)	7 (25%)	19 (68%)	26 (93%)
1G	2 (7%)	2 (7%)	23 (86%)	25 (93%)
2P	2 (7%)	6 (23%)	19 (70%)	25 (93%)
2W	1 (4%)	6 (22%)	20 (74%)	26 (96%)
3C	6 (19%)	6 (19%)	19 (62%)	25 (81%)
3M	2 (7%)	7 (23%)	21 (70%)	28 (93%)
4B	1 (3%)	3 (10%)	25 (87%)	28 (97%)
4T	0 (0%)	13 (46%)	15 (54%)	28 (100%)
5L	1 (4%)	5 (18%)	21 (78%)	26 (96%)
5P	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	25 (100%)	25 (100%)
6H	0 (0%)	8 (29%)	20 (71%)	28 (100%)
6R	0 (0%)	5 (20%)	20 (80%)	25 (100%)
Total				93%



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Diary Dates

Below are some of the of the important dates coming up next week and after Christmas.

Monday 24 February	Return to school
Tuesday 25 February	Year 1 'Come dine with me'
Tuesday 25 February	Year 5 and 6 basketball event
Tuesday 4 March	Year 2 'Come dine with me'
Thursday 6 March	LPPA quiz night
Friday 7 March	Larchwood World Book Day
Friday 7 March	Come and read with your child morning
Tuesday 11 March	Year 3 'Come dine with me'
Thursday 13 March	Science Fair
Friday 14 March	LPPA non-uniform day for colour raffle
Tuesday 18 March	Year 4 'Come dine with me'
Wednesday 19 March	Don Rae with Year 3
Friday 21 March	LPPA Easter pop-up shop
Tuesday 25 March	Year 5 'Come dine with me'
Tuesday 1 April	Year 6 'Come dine with me'
Thursday 3 April	Easter discos
Friday 4 April	Break up



Weekly Attendance

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 10 February 2025

Class	RA	RT	1B	1G	2W	2P	3C	Whole school
Attendance	94.9%	95%	92.7%	96%	96%	96.4%	94.7%	
Class	3M	4B	4T	5L	5P	6H	6R	95.5%
Attendance	96.3%	95.6%	96.2%	96.5%	95.8%	94.4%	95.1%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
5L	2P	3M



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 3 September 2024

Class	RA	RT	1B	1G	2W	2P	3C	Whole school
Attendance	94.9%	95%	93.4%	96.8%	96.2%	95.8%	94.6%	
Class	3M	4B	4T	5L	5P	6H	6R	95.4%
Attendance	96%	95.6%	96.1%	96.7%	95%	94.2%	95.2%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1G	5L	2W



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