



NEWS & VIEWS

Achievement & Enjoyment

Headteacher Mr S Bowsher



Mr Bowsher's Headteacher Comment:

Another fabulous week at Larchwood has come to an end and there have been lots of amazing things taking place again. The highlight of the week without a doubt has been the work that has been going on for British Science Week. Yesterday afternoon we had the science fair where about 120 children exhibited to the rest of the school and their own parents the work they had completed at home on the theme of 'change and adapt'. The challenge was completely voluntary and we have been blown away by the response. The standard of the work was extremely high and a few pictures are below. Well done to everyone who took part, you are amazing.

Today has been a non-uniform day for the LPPA with donations brought in for the colour raffles – thank you for your generosity. Other events this week included the Year 3 and 4 author visit from Catherine Wilkins which was great and the Year 3 'Come dine with me'. This time we had 52 parents and carers attending which was fantastic. The dates for the other year groups are below and we have added a date in April for Reception.

Coming up next week on Friday, 21 March, we will be holding our traditional Comic Relief joke competition. Slips will be coming home for children to write a funny and original joke on and then bring it into school with a 50p donation. Each class will then choose their funniest joke and the overall funniest joke will be chosen from these by me – I love a good 'dad joke'.

Children can also wear bright and colourful socks for World Down Syndrome Day next Friday to raise awareness of Down Syndrome. Mrs Jaycock will be talking to the children about this in more detail in assembly next week. Next Friday, just wear normal uniform with brightly coloured socks.

Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS) Battle of the Bands

The semi-finals have been completed and the winners of each battle are 6R who defeated defending champions 6H and 4B who defeated 5L. Well done to all the classes. The great thing about TTRS is that it is a fun way to get better at our times tables. The final begins on Monday between the 2 classes and it promises to be epic!

Miss Chambers' Marathon Run

Miss Chambers' Brighton Marathon run is now only about 3 weeks away as she takes on the epic 26 miles on Sunday 6th April to raise money for the LPPA. Throughout the winter she has been undertaking training runs in the dark before and after school and is nearly ready. Thank you to those very generous staff members and parents who have sponsored her already. If you would like to sponsor Miss Chambers and keep her motivated in these last few weeks, you can do so [here](#). The money raised will go towards some new playground equipment for all the children to use and for them to keep active.



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Word of the Week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Recover	Feature	Unique	Formation	Subsequent	Policy	Commit



Mr Bowsher's Superstar Award

Sophia Clark in 2W for an amazing science project.



Stars of the Week

RA	RT	1B	1G	2W	2P	3C
Matthew	Sam	Cooper	David	Hamdaan	Jacob	James
3M	4B	4T	5L	5P	6H	6R
Max	Marlowe	Harrison	Millie	Myron	Ethan	Emmy



Reading at Home

5P are the winners of the trophy once again – amazing work. Well done to the other 4 classes who all read at least 4 times.

Class	Table shows numbers of children and percentages who read from Monday 10 March to Friday 14 March			Percentage Read 4 & 5 times %
	Less than 4	4	5	
RA	4 (14%)	7 (25%)	17 (61%)	24 (86%)
RT	4 (15%)	8 (31%)	14 (54%)	22 (85%)
1B	1 (4%)	8 (31%)	17 (65%)	25 (96%)
1G	3 (10%)	7 (24%)	19 (66%)	26 (90%)
2P	2 (7%)	7 (25%)	19 (68%)	26 (93%)
2W	4 (12%)	8 (29%)	17 (59%)	25 (88%)
3C	3 (10%)	6 (20%)	21 (70%)	27 (90%)
3M	4 (14%)	2 (7%)	22 (79%)	24 (86%)
4B	0 (0%)	4 (13%)	27 (87%)	31 (100%)
4T	0 (0%)	8 (29%)	20 (71%)	28 (100%)
5L	1 (4%)	3 (12%)	22 (84%)	25 (96%)
5P	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	27 (100%)	27 (100%)
6H	0 (0%)	6 (21%)	22 (79%)	28 (100%)
6R	0 (0%)	6 (21%)	23 (79%)	29 (100%)
Total				94%



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Diary Dates

Friday 14 March	Book fair
Friday 14 March	LPPA non-uniform day for rainbow raffle
Friday 14 March	Year 3 and 4 author visit
Tuesday 18 March	Year 4 'Come dine with me'
Wednesday 19 March	Don Rae with Year 3
Friday 21 March	'Lots of socks' for World Down Syndrome Day
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
Tuesday 22 April	Back to school
Thursday 24 April	Year 3 trip to Chelmsford Museum
Friday 25 April	Don Rae with Year 4
Tuesday 29 April	Reception 'Come dine with me'
Friday 9 May	LPPA doughnut sale
Monday 12 May	Year 6 SATs week



Weekly Attendance

Two winners of attendance certificates this week with 3M as the overall winners.

Weekly Attendance – week commencing Monday 10 March 2025

Class	RA	RT	1B	1G	2W	2P	3C	Whole school
Attendance	93.7%	89%	90%	95.7%	96.9%	98.9%	93.8%	
Class	3M	4B	4T	5L	5P	6H	6R	94.1%
Attendance	99.3%	96.1%	95.2%	97.1%	84.6%	96.6%	90.3%	

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



Yearly Attendance

Yearly Attendance – from 3 September 2024

Class	RA	RT	1B	1G	2W	2P	3C	Whole school
Attendance	94.8%	95%	93.5%	96.5%	96.4%	96.1%	94.6%	
Class	3M	4B	4T	5L	5P	6H	6R	95.4%
Attendance	96.4%	95.7%	96.3%	96.5%	94.8%	94.5%	95%	

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1G & 5L	2W	4T



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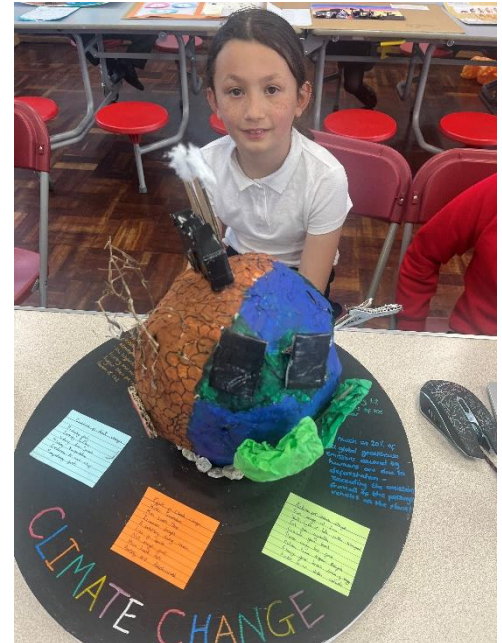
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