

Long Meadow Matters

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Congratulations to

Brambles

who achieved

98.9%

attendance this week!!

**Well done
everybody!**

Dear Parents and Carers

For the last three days, the school has received a Quality Assurance Review by Challenge Partners. This means that three senior leaders from other Challenge Partner schools across the country, along with an experienced lead reviewer, have been in school. They have been looking at all areas of school life, observing lessons, speaking to children and hearing them read, and meeting with leaders to assess where we are on journey to Outstanding, as well as how far we have come from our last review this time last year. It has been such a positive experience with all staff being able to celebrate with the reviewers all of the school improvement strategies we have been developing to continually improve the educational experience we give to your children. As a school we are very ambitious to continually keep learning and developing all areas of school life and this process allows us to review how far we have come, celebrate our success but also identify some "even better ifs.." to continue our journey. Once their report comes through, I will of course share it with you.

It has been amazing to see Year 5's production of 'The Keymaster' this week. It still amazes me that the quality of the singing, dancing and acting is of such a high standard. This production was no different. I always love to see the effort the children put into these productions, but also the smiles on their faces as they do. Performance is a huge part of LMS and long may it continue. A massive thanks to all of the staff that put so much time and effort into the production also.

Last week, phase leaders sent out some attendance information letters. These letters are intended to keep parents informed of their child's attendance, to keep up the positive trend it is on. Following some parental feedback, going forward we will alter the wording of these standard letters. Attendance is important to us because we believe children should be in school, on time, every day, ready to learn. We of course understand that there will be times when your child is unwell and can't attend, but we really want them here around any periods of illness they may have. Our offer of support is there. If you are struggling with something that means you are finding it difficult to get your child to school on time or at all, please let us know. We will do whatever we can to help.

At times in a school, we have to make decisions that can cause upset. As a school we never make decisions with this intention. We never expect everyone to agree with us, but will always justify why we do things. Please rest assured that every decision we make has the children of our wonderful school at the heart of it. On this note, may I thank you all for your positive words, emails and phone calls.

Have a fab weekend and I hope the rugby is better viewing this week than it was last week!

Mr Gray

PS. As I am away completing a Challenge Partners review in another school next week, Mrs Evans will be taking over the newsletter! I look forward to reading it.

**Please may parents
let us know if they or
their children have
visited any areas
affected by the
Coronavirus in recent
weeks. Thank you in
advance for you
cooperation in this
matter.**

**If parents wish
to contact their
child's teacher
via email, please
use
office@longmeadow.milton-keynes.sch.uk
and not any
individual email
addresses they
may have.**



Rowans Family Centre Junior Youth Club – Thursdays

For young people aged 8 – 11 during term time

Sports, arts and crafts, table football, trips – and lots more!

Learn new skills, make new friends and test your limits – every Thursday (6pm – 7.30pm). Entry fee is 50p per night.

Come and join us at:
Rowans Family centre,
13a Moorfoot,
Fullers Slade,
MK11 2BN

For more information contact:

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Youth Faculty Rivers Centre, Trent Road, MK3 7PH



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Long Meadow Legends

Zoe - Minnows

Lilly - Tadpoles

Hudson - Sticklebacks

Neil - Pondskaters

Holly - Newts

Ayaan - Hogweed

Layla - Bracken

Elise - Foxgloves

Taiven - Thistles

Lucas - Teasels

Alfie - Brambles