

Learning, Values, Achievement

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Dear Parents/Carers,

School Development Plan

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Thank you for your feedback for our School Development Plan. Feedback from last year resulted in parents being able to take children to their new classes in KS1 in the first Autumn term this year. We are looking to provide some more clubs which will start in January, which is something parents requested this year.

In 2022-23 we improved our phonics results from 61% to 91% in Year 1, which is our best results! We are working on improving Maths fluency across the school this year as well as writing. Interventions are in place to support children to catch up and keep up. We use TT Rockstars to help children to improve their times tables, which can be accessed at home as well as school. Staff have received training in Phonics, Maths and Writing to help improve teaching and learning.

We have above the National number of special needs children in school and have put in place training opportunities for our staff this year provided by Ivel Valley Special School and in-house training. Some of our children are attending alternative provisions to support their needs. Learning is adapted in class to support children and is being monitored carefully to ensure children make good progress from their starting points.

We are working hard to improve attendance as we have a high number of children taking holidays in term time or are late for school. It is really important for children to attend school especially as some children are still catching up from the effects of Covid. The local authority will fine families for taking 5 or more days in a 10-week period. Please help us to ensure your child has the best chance of success by being on time and not taking holidays in term time.

Our whole school target is 97%. Year 6 parents can access your child's attendance via the Parent Portal App on Integris. Otherwise, please contact your class teacher/office staff to find this out.

At Langford Village Academy, we promote Values Education. Our children discuss expected behaviour in school at the beginning of each academic year and agreed rules are displayed in each classroom. We use a G.R.E.A.T. approach which is also on display in each classroom.

What do we mean by G.R.E.A.T. behaviour?

- Showing gratitude to establish good working relationships with staff and pupils alike
- Having mutual respect and consideration at all times for all members of the school community, offering friendship, sharing, tolerances of differences in appearance, race, ability, religion and gender
- Showing empathy to ensure others feel valued and cared for
- Accepting responsibility for our own actions and show awareness of right and wrong
- Demonstrating teamwork and co-operating with others

Pupils are awarded house points and value stickers if they demonstrate any of these values.

Thank you all for your support so far this year. Any help you can provide at home with reading or homework makes a difference to your child's progress. If you have any concerns about your child's progress please let your class teacher know or speak to myself, Mrs Bowskill or Mrs Siswick our SENDCo.

Yours sincerely,











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