



LIONEL WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents,

End of Year Report

With this letter you should receive your child's annual report. The parents of Year 2 and Year 6 children should also receive a copy of their child's End of Key Stage assessment results. Parents of Reception aged children will receive a report relating to the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile. Parents of Year 1 children will receive the results of the Year 1 Phonics Check.

In previous years, primary school children were assessed according to national curriculum levels; Level 2 was the expected level of achievement for pupils at the end of Key Stage One (Year 2) and Level 4 was the expected level for pupils at the End of Key Stage Two (Year 6). In September 2014, for pupils in Years 1, 3, 4 and 5, national curriculum levels were replaced by a new grading system. From last September, this also included Years 2 and 6. The statements refer to whether or not a child is deemed to be at the national standard for their age (year group):-

- Working towards the expected standard (WTS)
- Working at the expected standard (EXPS)
- Working at greater depth within the expected standard (GDS)

The new national curriculum and expectations are more challenging than previously and pupils who were working 'above the expected level' for their age in previous years are more likely to be 'at the national expected standard' now. Your child's report shows where your child is at the end of this academic year.

There is also an opportunity for you to write your own comments in response to your child's report. These should be written on the slip accompanying the report and be returned to school by Friday, 15th July in order that we may place them in your child's records.

If you wish to come into school to discuss your child's report, please arrange a mutually convenient time with your child's teacher. For those of you with children in Years 2 and 6, you may wish to come in for further clarification of the test results and what they mean.

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Attendance

Please note that attendance thresholds have been agreed by the Governing Board following consultation with location Headteachers and the Educational Welfare Officer:-

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| Very Good | - | 98%+ |
| Satisfactory | - | 95% - 97.9% |
| Cause for Concern | - | Below 95% |

Our target (provided by the Local Authority) is for attendance to be above 95%, hence the reason for below this being a cause for concern. Whilst we understand children may be ill from time to time, it is vital that they attend school whenever possible. May I remind you that there is no entitlement to take holidays during term time.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

S. A. Barnard-Taylor

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