



"All Learning Together"

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Dear Parents,

What a busy and dynamic year it has been at Langton during 2016/17! There has been a lot of hard and sustained work from both staff and pupils which has resulted in some outstanding outcomes.

Outlined below are the comparisons between national outcomes and those at Langton this year for our Year 6 pupils.

Reaching expected standard in RWM: National 61%, Langton 70%

Reaching expected standard in individual subjects:

Reading: National 71%, Langton 90%

Writing: National 76%, Langton 85%

Mathematics: National 75%, Langton 80%

GPS: National 77%, Langton 75%

Average scaled scores:

Reading: National 104, Langton 108.7

Mathematics: National 104, Langton 105.4

GPS: National 106, Langton 106.6

As you can see, our results compare very favourably against the national picture.

We are also very proud of our End of EYFS figure for children reaching a good level of development. National 70.6% Langton 75%. In Phonics, in Year 1, 86% pupils achieved the required standard which again is nearly 5% above the national average.

Key Stage 1 also performed above the national figures in reading and writing and were in line with national outcomes for maths.

We, as a Governing Body, would very much like to congratulate all the children for their conscientious approach and hard work throughout the year which has culminated in these results. Celebrations all round!

It is of course pleasing that staffing remains stable into next year as Miss Roisin Boyle has been appointed to cover Mrs Mcilwaine's maternity leave and has already visited the school on a number of occasions to meet the children and to plan for the coming year. We are also very lucky to have appointed Mrs Kathryn Cummings to cover Miss Auckland's maternity cover from October half-term. Mrs Cummings is an experienced teacher, with additional knowledge regarding Special Needs, who will be working as an HLTA support in class and will also provide additional PPA cover.

Head teacher: Mrs Rachel Ray
Acting Chair of Governors: Mr Andrew Priestley

Creates opportunity



Releases potential



Achieves excellence

Our School Adviser from the Local Authority, Lisa Jones, carried out her termly visit at the beginning of June. She made some very positive comments about the teaching and learning and commented on how articulate the pupils were as she moved around the school. The children were able to talk to her about how the marking and feedback of their work supported their progress and the next steps they needed to take.

The school also volunteered to take part in a peer to peer review in June when three visiting senior staff from the Esk Valley Alliance plus Mrs Ray carried out lesson observations, book scrutinies and a review of data. This was a very intensive day for all concerned and we would like to thank all the staff for their willingness to participate in this new collaborative process of working with other school networks. The subsequent report was positive and complimentary to our hard working staff and particularly their understanding of the tracking system and use of data.

For such a small school Langton continually demonstrates commitment to its wide range of extra-curricular activities, fundraising events and school trips. Only last week the school won the Swimming Gala at Ampleforth and participated in the Trigolf at Malton. Recently Class Three returned from a very successful residential stay at Bewerley Park and during June following a visit from the NSPCC, the whole school raised a magnificent £687.50p from their sponsored activity 'Buddy's Big Workout'!

Despite the fact that we will be losing 20 pupils from Year 6 at the end of this term, Mrs Ray and Mrs Laverack have done a magnificent job in being proactive in terms of promoting the school and 100% of children who attended our open afternoons have enrolled at Langton. We now expect 12 new pupils to come into EYFS in September and an additional three in to Year 4 and as other pupils have joined the school during the year, our numbers remain stable. The After School Clubs continue to remain popular which have proved a great asset to recruitment of new pupils. Recently the school had a visit from the Health and Safety Adviser whose overall report was very positive only highlighting three minor areas which have since been rectified. However, the recent storm has highlighted that more work needs to be done to prevent rain water infiltrating the building. Many thanks to Mrs Ray and Mrs Goodwill for staying on site during the flash flood in order to make the building secure and to communicate the situation with the emergency response team along with taking the difficult decision to close the school the following day. We would also like to thank all the staff for all their help and hard work cleaning up and ensuring the school was in good shape, in order to reopen on the following Monday.

Collaboration with Norton College continues with the expertise from Dr Carson regarding our data analysis and some planned art support next year.

Finally we look forward to our new website which is due to go 'live' in September. We will share more detail about this after the holidays.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone – teachers, teaching assistants, support staff, admin staff, parents and of course the children - for their willingness to put in so much time, effort and commitment in order to make this year so successful.

Wishing everyone a wonderful, relaxing and restful holiday!

The Langton Primary School Governing Body