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Dear Parents, Carers & Families,

Welcome back to the start of Half Term 2! It has been a real pleasure to see and welcome everyone back into school. The children have returned with such enthusiasm and energy, and we've been delighted to see their excitement during our fantastic Big Bang Days as they began their new topics. A huge thank you to everyone who supported and took part in making these such inspiring experiences for our pupils.

This half term also marks a very special milestone for our school as we officially open our Special Resource Provision - Tiny Seed. We are so pleased to welcome the new children joining through Tiny Seed and look forward to seeing them flourish as part of our school community.

Today, we were treated to an uplifting visit from Rock Kidz, who shared an important message about kindness, resilience, and self-belief – a wonderful way to lead us into Kindness Week next week.

Finally, I am delighted to share the news that our school has been awarded the Bronze Oracy Award from Bexley. This is a fantastic achievement and a reflection of the dedication and hard work of our teachers, support staff, and, of course, our brilliant children. We are already looking forward to continuing our journey towards achieving the Silver Award.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support — it makes such a difference to everything we do here at Lime Wood.

Miss Ingrams and the Lime Wood Primary team.

## SIGN OF THE WEEK







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Lime Wood School team,

I am delighted to congratulate you on achieving the Bexley Oracy Bronze Award — a fantastic milestone that reflects your school's strong and sustained commitment to developing confident, articulate communicators.

Your school's progress towards embedding oracy has been exceptional. Teachers have fully embraced the initiative, dedicating a Professional Learning Meeting each half-term to oracy and ensuring continuity through regular review. It's particularly impressive that your external School Improvement Partner recognised the visible impact of oracy strategies on pupils' confidence and the way display boards now encourage students to talk about their learning.

We were especially inspired by your creative initiatives such as the "Talking Tables" and "Talking Café" in partnership with Age UK's dementia group - wonderful examples of how your school is embedding purposeful talk both in and beyond the classroom. These projects not only enhance pupils' communication skills but also demonstrate the school's commitment to empathy, inclusion, and intergenerational connection.

In classrooms, the consistent use of strategies such as cold calling, turn and talk, sentence stems, and "say it again better" - all closely linked to Rosenshine's Principles — shows how deeply oracy is embedded across teaching and learning. The way teachers and pupils engage with voice notes, group roles, and structured discussion tasks illustrates a strong culture of reflective talk and continual improvement.

This award recognises the commitment and creativity of your whole team in ensuring oracy is central to your school's curriculum, culture, and community. You are now exceptionally well-placed to progress towards the Silver Award, continuing to build on this impressive foundation.

Congratulations once again to everyone involved — this achievement is thoroughly deserved and a testament to your school's dedication to giving every child a voice.

With best wishes.

Stephen Kitchman Director of Children's Services Kevin Taylor Deputy Director Education Services

We were proud to receive the Bronze Oracy Award from Bexley. The children have embraced the oracy stratgies and we are delighted with their progress - what an achievement!

# Big Bang Day

Reception

WE LOVE LEARNING





Year 1

Year 2



# ROCKIDZ



















#### VALUES IN ACTION



We are excited to launch **KINDNESS** week next week and Rock Kidz today was the perfect start!

#### LUNCHTIME AWARD

Michael, Sai, Isabella, Jenifer, Kayden, Sienna



Hope, Hayden, Ronni, Kaiden, Charlie, Matthew, Ruby, Purity, Day'jah, Alex, Beatriz, Fleur

#### GOLDEN TREE

Rubi, Erik, Flynn, Frank, Sahil, Kaira, Roman, Amelia, Mahad, Khalila, Isabella, Raphael



We strive for 96%+ attendance for all our children

Hundred Acre Wood 90% Neverwood Forest 92% Angling Spring Wood 94% Flaming Forest 97%

Faraway Tree 92% Baobab Tree 98%

Whole school, Year to date: 96%



Please speak to us if we can help with any attendance matters. We are here to help.

#### KEY DATES



10th-14th November- Kindness week

11th November - Play Leader training

12<sup>th</sup> November - Positive Noticing Day 12th November - Age UK Volunteering information session for parents/carers -9.15am

14 November - Children in Need - Children can come dressed in their own clothes in support of Children in Need. Donation £1

#### SAFEGUARDING

We are delighted that Mrs

Attard

has completed her

Designated

Safeguarding Lead training

- well done!



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### COMMUNITY







Tea & Talk Parent Carer Support Group

Join us for a cuppa and an informal chat about anything SEND. Members and non-members are welcome

9:30am - Discussion with the Bexley Voice Team
We will have a discussion about general safety in the
home, including using specialist equipment to ensure the
safety of your children and young people with additional

10:30am - Becky Selwood, London Fire Brigade Becky Selwood from the London Fire Brigade will join us to talk about fire safety in the home.

- 1-1 Appointments available with:

  Kate Courtney, Designated Clinical Officer SEND (for any health-related queries such as SALT, OT or diagne Sarah Tamanage, Highly Specialised Speech and Language Therapist from Oxleas

  Danny Graham, Benefits Advisor from DWP

   Felicity Packard from Carers' Support Bexley

  Kian Riverol from Imago Young Carers

Case Officer Team 1-1 bookings:

• Various appointments will be available with Case Various appointments will be available with Case Officers and a Case Officer Manager from the Bexley Statutory Assessment Service.

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**Tuesday 11th November** 2025

The Danson Youth Centre **Brampton Road** Bexleyheath DA7 4EZ

9:30am-12:30pm

- . Come to all or part of the
- morning

  No need to book just come
- · Speak directly to the
- Bexley Voice Team

dvance booking only necessary for 1-1 sessions

To request a 1-1 slot go to ndar/item/53846827





The children had a great time designing their Christmas cards linked to our curriculum - with a theme of building in Erith!

We also entered some of the designs into the local MP Christmas card competition too!



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#### Kindness Week 10-14th November 2025

Throughout the week we will be focusing on our friendships across ou school, what makes a good friend and how friends can help and support each other. The school will be participating in a 'Challenge to 25' where everyone will be challenged to completed 25 Acts of Kindness across the week.

In addition, we have some special events happening -12th November - Positive Noticing Day

· Parents are invited to join in by writing their own labels!

14th November - Fundraising for Children in Need

· Children are invited to come in dressed in their own clothes - suggested donation £1







We are looking forward to next week!

#### Kindness Positive Noticing Day 12th November 2025













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