

# LEVENDALE PRIMARY

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5th December 2025

## SCHOOL TIMES

8.45am - 3.15pm

Nursery:

8.45am - 11.45am

12.30pm - 3.30pm

Wraparound:

7.45am - 8.45am

3.15pm - 4.30pm

3.15pm - 6.00pm

## TERM DATES

Tues 2nd Sep - Fri 19th Dec

Remaining PD Days:

Mon 5th Jan

Mon 20th July

Tues 21st July

## PE DAYS

Rec/Y1: Wed and Fri

Y1/2: Mon and Fri

Y3: Mon and Tues

Y4: Tues and Wed

Y5: Thurs and Fri

Y6: Tues and Thurs

Dear parents and carers,



A huge thank you to our lovely PTA members for organising and running the Secret Santa Shop this morning!

The children were really excited to have the opportunity to buy gifts for their families!

It takes a lot of effort to run the Secret Santa shop and we are really grateful!

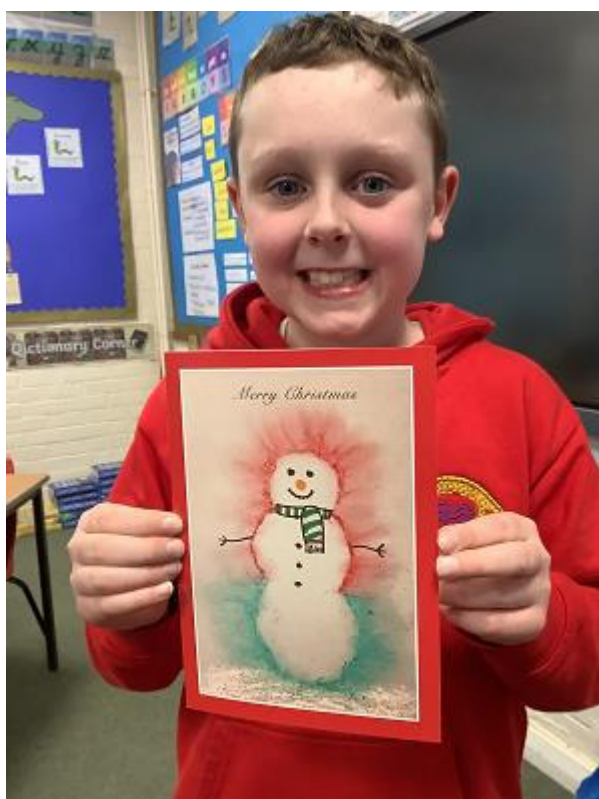
A big well done to Levendale Lyricals, who had an amazing time at Snappy Christmas on Tuesday! They sang beautifully!



## Christmas celebration at the Church – Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Dec

We are pleased to invite everyone to our whole school event at St. Mary's Church Yarm, TS15 9QT. Starting at 5.45pm until approx. 6.30pm. Our amazing Year 6 will lead us in singing some Christmas songs to get us all in the festive spirit, so please do come along!

**Well done to Arlo, who won a competition to design his village Christmas Card!  
Here is his winning design!**



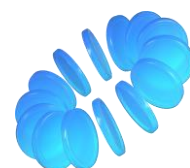
### **Advent Calendar**

Children chosen for having excellent behaviour for Mrs. Lewis' advent calendar!

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Ottillie R in YR/1</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Eva M in Y1/2</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Elizabeth C in Y3</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Jack D in Y4</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Ryan H in Y5</b>

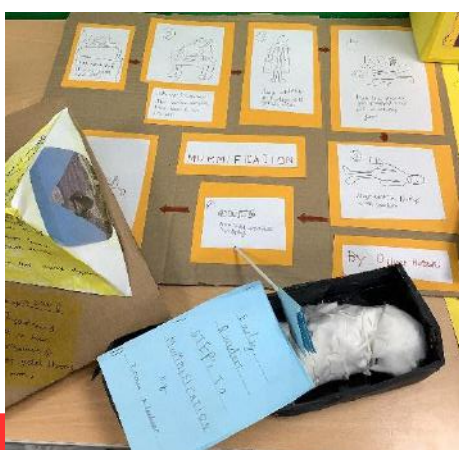
### **TESCO stronger starts**

Our application for funding to develop our Early Years Garden has been selected as a project for tokens in Tesco stores at Yarm/Egglescliffe, TS16 0PE and Ingleby Barwick Superstore, TS17 0WA. This will be from the first week in October until mid-January, so please vote for us!





Year Four performed a brilliant assembly this week, entertaining everyone with their Egyptian Dance, facts and story! They also shared their amazing homework with family members!







## DURACELL BUNNY BATTERY COMPETITION

Green Team are collecting used batteries to be recycled up until 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025. If you have any laying around at home, please bring them in to school and give them to the class teacher or drop them into the box in the main entrance!



They can be any battery,  
not just Duracell!



### Prizes on offer:

- A visit from the iconic Duracell Bunny to host an Easter recycling workshop at your school.
- A personalised certificate for your winning pupil(s).
- Plus, one of 10 £30 Amazon vouchers just for you!

National Schools Partnership is running 'The Big Battery Hunt' again this year and this time, we are joining in! They are offering the above prizes for the school who collect the most batteries.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

We love to celebrate children's achievements, including those outside of school. Please let us know at [Levendale@levendale.org.uk](mailto:Levendale@levendale.org.uk), if your child does something that makes you proud!



Hannah B in Y1/2	Achieved Star of the Week at gymnastics and a medal at dancing! Excellent!
Izzy R in Y1/2	Won a trophy! Well done!
Henry B in Y1/2	Star of the Week at Tennis! Fantastic!
Freya L in Y3	Asked to do a litter pick to keep the area nice for everyone! Walking along Lingfield Road and the front of school and the local shop! How thoughtful!
Evelyn A in Y2	Completed Stage 4 swimming! Brilliant!
Florrie W in Y1	Performed a ballet and tap dance on stage in the Nutcracker at the Forum, Northallerton! Fabulous!



Happy Birthday month to: Esme B, Olivia B, Frankie B, Ali C, Ava C, Alfie C, Oliver C, Noreen E, Grace G, Lucas G-M, Scarlett H, Lila H, Amelia K, Holly K, Paul M, Aoife P, Adriano R-C and Alisha S

## ATTENDANCE

'Class of the week' celebrates the class with the best attendance each week. The winning class, across the term, will get a treat they can negotiate with their teacher! Well done to Year 4 this week!



Class	Attendance Winners
Rec/Y1	1
Y1/2	3
Y3	1
Y4	3
Y5	2
Y6	1

## TEAM CAPTAINS

Our team captains count our team points each week and the winning team was Ruby!  
Each term, the overall winners will get a reward!

Teams	Captains	Winners
Emerald	Lucas G-M	4
Topaz	Lillie N	3
Sapphire	Oliver L	2
Ruby	Henry M	3



Lower Key stage 2	Jacob T
Upper Key Stage 2	Sadie P

## AWARDS IN CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

### LEVENDALE GOAL: Positive Mind-set



Rec/Y1	All of Reception!
Y1/2	Ziggy L
Y3	Eli G-M
Y4	Lottie M
Y5	Ali C
Y6	Esme B



### MATHS STARS

Rec/Y1	Zara P
Y1/2	Jacob T
Y3	Grace G
Y4	Olivia B
Y5	Olivia G
Y6	Aria McC



### ENGLISH AWARD

Rec/Y1	Neave H
Y1/2	Evelyn A
Y3	Elise C
Y4	Adriana R-C
Y5	Scarlett H
Y6	Jayati G



## DIARY OF EVENTS

Date	Event
08/12/25	Y1 to Y6: Carols at the Church 5.45 - 6.30pm – Everyone invited!
09/12/25	Nursery Craft Afternoon for children and parents: 2.00 – 3.00pm
10/12/25	Christmas Dinner Day – Christmas jumpers/non-uniform welcome!!
10/12/25	PTA Family Christmas Night: 6.00 – 7.30pm
11/12/25	All Y1s (from both classes) and Y2 Christmas Production to parents - 2pm and 5.30pm
12/12/25	Reindeer Walk
w/b 15/12/25	<b>Christmas Party Week:</b> Nursery – Tues a.m; Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 – Wed pm; Y5 and Y6 Thurs am; Y3 and Y4 Thurs pm
16/12/25	Dick Whittington Panto at Levendale funded by the PTA
19/12/25	Last day: children may come in non-uniform and Festive clothing!
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> January	PD children- closed to children
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Return to school

## RIGHTS RESPECTING READ

### ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

As part of our work on being a Silver Rights Respecting School, we would like to share with you our 'Article of the Week'. Each week in school, we discuss an article from the Convention on the Rights of the Child with the children and what this means to them. This week, we have looked at Article 14.



#### Article 14

Children have the right to choose their own thoughts, opinions and religion but this should not stop other children from enjoying their rights.



## Winter Gritting Plan



In the event of icy or snowy conditions, the following routes will be gritted, in order of priority.

In extreme conditions, such as a lot of snow, it may be that only priority one and two would be open for access to the school.

Please stick to the gritted paths only, in icy conditions.

Please do not arrive school before 8.40am, particularly on rainy and icy days as due to wraparound we are unable to bring children into the main areas of school.

