

LEVENDALE PRIMARY

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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 6th Jan- Thurs 2nd Apr

Half term: 23-27/02/26

Remaining PD Days:

Mon 20th July

Tues 21st July

PE DAYS

Rec/Y1: Thurs and Fri

Y1/2: Tues and Fri

Y3: Mon and Tues

Y4: Wed and Thurs

Y5: Tues and Thurs

Y6: Wed and Thurs

Dear parents and carers,

Children have been working hard and thinking about the British Value: Rule of Law in our PSHE activities.

Year 6 enjoyed their first session of 'Children Challenging Industry' this week! They were conducting investigations and asking lots of interesting questions. They used scientific explanations and language to describe their work. They are looking forward to their second session next week!



Safeguarding Information

All adults who work in school have the responsibility to keep children safe. We have trained **Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs)** who are the nominated people to manage safeguarding concerns:

- **Mrs Lewis**, Head Teacher, is the Designated Safeguarding Lead
- **Mrs Henderson**, Deputy Head, is a Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
- **Mrs Stonehouse**, Early Years Lead, is a Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

If you have any worries or concerns about a child, you should report them to a member of staff or Designated Safeguarding Lead. For emergencies, or if you believe a crime has been committed, you should always contact the Police.

School Uniform

Whilst we expect all children to be in school uniform, we **do not** expect parents to purchase branded items and clothing can be purchased from any provider. More information about uniform can be found on our school website, under the 'parents' tab.

We do have a small amount of preloved uniform, so please let the school office know if you wish to view this.

Here is an updated list of places where Levensdale branded uniform can be purchased, if parents choose to.

<https://www.motif8.co.uk/schools.html>

[MyClothing website](#)

[Stikins.co.uk](https://stikins.co.uk)

<https://teesvalleyschoolwear.co.uk/>

Year four have enjoyed making their own panpipes when exploring pitch in Science.



Nursery have been working on the theme: 'All about me!' They have been painting their own faces. In Maths, they have been building towers with different blocks in the construction area.



ACHIEVEMENTS

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



Lottie M in Y4	Was awarded a distinction in her initial graded Violin exam- excellent!
Reggie W in Y2	Moved into Stage 5 at Borocuda Swim School – fantastic!
Skye R in Y2	Was Star of the Week at gymnastics – Well done!
Georgia G and Eleanor L in Y5	Achieved Silver Award for Violin – Brilliant!

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 42.



Governments should actively tell children and adults about the convention so that everyone knows about children's rights.



Happy Birthday month to: Fraser B, Christie D, Luca D, Bonnie G, Ryan H, Theo J, Lochlan K, Amara M, Alexander M, Olive M, Zayden M, Jacob N, Max R and Florence W!

ATTENDANCE

'Class of the week' celebrates the class with the best attendance each week. The winning class, across the term, will get a treat! Well done to Rec/Y1 this week!



Class	Attendance Winners
Rec/Y1	1
Y1/2	0
Y3	1
Y4	0
Y5	0
Y6	0

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. Well done to Topaz!

Teams	Captains	Winners
Emerald	Lucas G M	0
Topaz	Esme B	1
Sapphire	Jayati G	0
Ruby	Theo J	1



Lower Key stage 2	Arlo P
Upper Key Stage 2	Theo J

AWARDS IN CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

LEVENDALE GOAL: Aspirations



Rec/Y1	Matilda L
Y1/2	Sadil M
Y3	Nriti N R
Y4	Will C
Y5	Paddy L
Y6	Henry B



MATHS STARS

Rec/Y1	Millie H
Y1/2	Edward L
Y3	Teddy H
Y4	Arlo P
Y5	Ella F
Y6	Samuel D



ENGLISH AWARD

Rec/Y1	Fraser B
Y1/2	Izzy R
Y3	Lochlan K
Y4	Layla M
Y5	Christie D
Y6	Eva D



DIARY OF EVENTS

Date	Event
Thursdays 3.30pm – 4.30pm	Weekly SATS Booster Sessions for Y6 – collect from main office
21/01/26	Mrs. Stonehouse's class – Sports Festival
21/01/26	PTA meeting 5.45pm
05/02/26	Year 3 Class Assembly for parents 2.45pm
10/02/26	Safer Internet Day
13/02/26	Y5 Boys' football final
W/b 16/02/26	Parents' Evenings week
19/02/26	Y5 Pupil Ambassadors visit Whinstone Primary
19/02/26	Y4 Trip to Durham Oriental Museum
20/02/26	Y6 Girls' football final
w/b 23/02/26	Half Term

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.

