

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

Wed 2nd Sep –
Fri 18th Dec
Half term:
26-30/10/26

Remaining PD Days:
Fri 23rd Oct
Fri 12th Feb
Fri 28th May
Wed 21st July

PE DAYS

Rec: Thurs and Fri
Y1/2: Tues and Fri
Y2/3: Mon and Wed
Y4: Mon and Thurs
Y5: Tues and Thurs
Y6: Wed and Thurs

Dear parents and carers,

Well done to the following children in Y6 for being chosen to represent the school in our Student Leadership team!

Head Girl	Ella H-J
Head Boy	Norman R
Dep. Head Girl	Scarlett H
Dep. Head Boy	Harry C

Macmillan Coffee morning

On **Friday 9th October at 9.15am**, we will be hosting a Macmillan Coffee morning. We would love it if parents and carers could attend.

Our **Year 6** pupils will organise and host the event.

We really appreciate donations of cakes and bakes. Please could you include an ingredients list with homemade items and remember we are a nut-free school!
Thank you!



Miss Markham's class have been making cave art and tools
linked to their History unit.



Nursery have been creating self-portraits as part of their 'Happy to be me' topic. They examined their faces in the mirror and chose the correct paint for their features, They have been learning about similarities and differences.



Christmas Shoe box appeal



We will be supporting the Christmas shoe box appeal again this year. Filled shoeboxes are sent to Romania and local families to spread a bit of Christmas cheer! The final date to hand them into school is **Thursday 22nd October**. You can also donate £3 which pays for the postage. Sweet treats need to be in manufacturers packaging.

If you wish to send individual items into school, we will package them into shoe boxes – thank you!

Your guide – most wanted items

We've created a simple guide to the most wanted items for the different age groups we deliver shoeboxes to. We especially need gifts for ages 9-12, teenagers, and older adults.

You will need to indicate the relevant age group and gender on the shoebox label that is cut out and fixed to the outside of your filled shoebox.

Ages 0-3

- Soft toys
- Board or cloth books
- Teething toys and baby safe rattles
- Baby hats, mittens and socks (new or handmade)
- Baby toiletries (no liquids)
- Plastic feeding spoons and cloth bibs

Ages 4-8

- Colouring and sticker books
- Small toys or puzzles
- Warm hats and gloves (new or handmade)
- Sweet treats (chocolates, sweets or biscuits but please read the notes about packaging overleaf)

Ages 9-12

- Stationery
- Toiletries (no liquids)
- Small games or toys
- Refillable water bottles, key rings
- Sweet treats (chocolates, sweets or biscuits but please read the notes about packaging overleaf)

Teenagers

- Toiletries
- Warm gloves/socks
- Travel games or cards
- Tote bags or refillable plastic bottles

Older Adults

- Fleece blankets
- Mugs or sturdy plates (not easily breakable)
- Tea towels or fabric pot holders
- Toiletries
- Hot drink sachets/teabags
- Sweet treats (chocolates, sweets or biscuits but please read the notes about packaging overleaf)
- Cards or small decorations
- Fabric shopping bags



Year 4 have been using practicing their French speaking skills through playing games about sporting likes and dislikes.



Mrs. Page's Class have been collected leaves to create artwork!



Harvest Collection for Little Sprouts



We will be collecting non-perishable food products to help support Little Sprouts Charity:

<https://sproutscommunityfoodcharity.org/>

This includes tinned items, like beans, tomatoes, vegetables, soups and meats. and fish. Also dried foods like pasta, rice, sauces and breakfast cereal. Last day for Donations is **Monday 12th October**.



Harvest Festival for Reception parents

We invite parents of children in Reception to our Harvest Festival Performance

On: Monday 12th October
At: 10.00am

Afterwards, you will be invited to stay with the children to complete some Autumn crafts.



Happy Birthday month to: Nancy B, Theo B, Eleanor B, Andrew C, Oscar C, Fatima E, Charlie E, Olivia G, Louis G, Teddy H, Rory J, Edward L, Ethan L, Sadil M, Asa M-M, Rennie M, Arlo P, Izzy R, AJ S, Frederick S, Alexa S, Samuel Th and Jacob T

Wraparound have been enjoying Autumn Crafts!

Autumn is here... 🍁



Keeping warm with beans on toast for brekkie and autumn crafts 🍁

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!



Priya T in Y4	1 st with her team at a tumble competition! Well done!
George A in Y6	Achieved Grade 2 in Saxophone – Brilliant!
Matilda T-J in Y4	Completed Stage 4 Swimming – Excellent!
Anna K in Y4	Received 'opposition managers player of the match' – Great!
Tom P and Lochlan K in Y4	Won a tournament with TIBBS football team – Super!
Norman R in Y6	Was 'man of the match' playing for Darlington – Fabulous!
Harriet C in Y4	Was awarded 'Star of the Week' at dancing – Wonderful!
Hannah Br in Y2	Is now an 'Apprentice Witch!' – Spooky!
Jaime N in Y2	Came 3 rd in a gymnastics floor competition – what a star!
Georgia R in Y2	Achieved Top Trainer at Netball – Marvellous!

We are a Gold UNICEF Rights Respecting School



This week, we have continued learning about Article 42.

We also linked this into work on the British Value: Democracy, where people should be allowed to have a say on things that matter to them, as long as they are kind and respectful to others.



AWARDS IN CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

LEVENDALE GOAL: Aspirations



Y1/2	Frankie B
Y2/3	Georgia R
Y4	Anna K
Y5	Jacob T
Y6	Freddie S



MATHS STARS

Y1/2	Florrie W
Y2/3	Hannah Ba
Y4	Eli M-G
Y5	Ellie B
Y6	Luca D



ENGLISH AWARD

Y1/2	Erin B
Y2/3	Maria O-L
Y4	Matilda T-J
Y5	Jack D
Y6	Ella H-J



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 Y6 this week!



Class	Attendance Winners
Rec	0
Y1/2	0
Y2/3	2
Y4	1
Y5	0
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	Finn L	2
Topaz	Harry C	1
Sapphire	Alex R	0
Ruby	Ali C	2



Lower Key stage 2	Chester M-M in Y4
Upper Key Stage 2	Scarlett H in Y6

Date	Diary of Events
07/12/26	Cross Country Finals
07/12/26	Y5 Rugby Festival
09/12/26	Macmillan Coffee morning 9.15am, hosted by Y6 – Parents and carers welcome
12/10/26	Harvest Festival, 10.00am – parents of reception class invited
14/10/26	Halloween Discos
w/b 19/10/26	Parents Evenings – information to follow
20/10/26	Y5 Sports Hall Competition
21/10/26	Year 6 parents invited in to help with baking muffins – 1.15pm
23/10/26	PD Day – School Closed to children
26-30/10/26	Half Term
16/11/26	Y1, 2 and 3 Movie Night 3.15-4.45pm
23/11/26	Y4, 5 and 6 Movie Night 3.15 – 5.15pm
26/11/26	PTA event: Wreath making
02/12/26	Reception Christmas Performance to parents 2.15pm
03/12/26	Christmas Craft Fair – 3.30 – 4.30pm
07/12/26	Christmas Carols at St. Mary Magdalene Church, 6pm – families invited
08/12/26	Nursery Christmas Crafts, 2pm – parents and carers invited
09/12/26	PTA Secret Santa Shop
10/12/26	Year 1 and Year 2 (All) Christmas Performance to parents 2.00pm and 5.30pm
14/12/26	PTA Christmas Family Night
14-18/12/26	Christmas Party Week