

Leverton News - Autumn Term

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Message from Miss Gibbs

Our First Week Back

What a fantastic first full week back at Leverton!

The children are still being absolutely amazing, and it has been wonderful to see how quickly everyone is settling into their new year groups. Our teachers are happy and settled with their new classes, and there is a lovely feeling across the school as everyone gets to know one another and begins the new school year together.

Some Exciting Leverton News!

We have some very special news to share... our Leverton Family has welcomed a new baby!

Mrs Rydings has given birth to a beautiful baby boy named Tommy. Mum and baby are both doing well, and we are so pleased for them. We look forward to seeing them both soon and welcoming Tommy into our Leverton Family!



Launch Days

Our Launch Days were a great success, and the children really enjoyed getting stuck into their exciting activities. It has been lovely to see their enthusiasm, curiosity and excitement about their new topics. Photographs from their fantastic days are on the next page

Year 1 had a fantastic launch day celebrating the start of their 'Homes' topic. We all became detectives and had to work out which fairytale character's home was left behind, using the clues! We also looked at different types of homes and what we would find in them. Well done Year 1!

Year 2 made marmalade sandwiches and enjoy eating them.

This week, Year 3 had a fantastic start to our first topic- Stone Age to Iron Age. We learnt about Stone Age settlement and how they hunted for food. In the forest area, we searched for natural resources to decorate our Stone Age model. In the afternoon, we studied cave art before creating a cave of hands. We also used charcoal and oil pastels to depict hunting scenes found in caves around the world.

Year 4 had an exciting start to their new Vikings topic! The children learnt all about Viking longboats and discovered how they were designed for speed and travel. They then put their creativity to the test by making their own longboats from cardboard. It was a challenging task that required patience and perseverance, but the children took their time and produced some fantastic boats, complete with striped sails, oars and shields along the sides. We were so impressed with their effort, creativity and attention to detail!

Year 5 - We had a fantastic time launching our new topic, Ancient Egypt, with an exciting day of exploration, creativity and discovery. The children became archaeologists for the day, visiting an 'ancient tomb' where they used torches to search for hidden artefacts.

Throughout the day, the children took part in a range of exciting activities. They designed canopic jars, drew an ancient map of Egypt using chalk on the playground, and made paper pyramids using nets. They also designed their own Ancient Egyptian headdresses, showing lots of creativity and imagination.

It was wonderful to see the children so engaged and enthusiastic as they began to uncover the mysteries of this fascinating civilisation. We are looking forward to finding out much more as our Ancient Egypt topic continues!

Year 6 had a fantastic time bringing history to life during our Great War Launch Day! To explore how World War I began, the children participated in an energetic game of tug-of-war to visually represent the pull of opposing alliances and complex international relations. They put their geography skills to the test by locating the Allied and Central Powers on world maps, gaining a clear picture of how the conflict spread across nations.

Moving indoors, the pupils stepped back in time through immersive role-play, experiencing what life was like for soldiers serving in the trenches - including a lively activity of launching, dodging or catching "paper bombs"!

To top off the day, the children unleashed their creativity by designing their own impressive camouflage artwork. It was an engaging, hands-on start to our history topic, and the children demonstrated wonderful teamwork and enthusiasm throughout the day.

Meet the Teachers

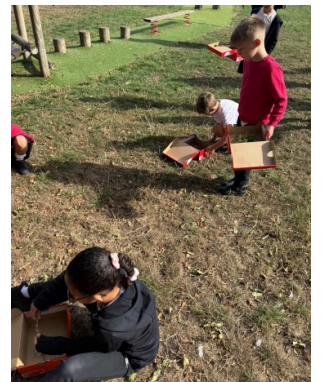
It was lovely to see so many of you on Tuesday for our informal Meet the Teachers afternoon. I was also really pleased that our teachers had the opportunity to meet you all and begin building those important relationships with families.

You will have taken home information about attendance and your child's year group expectations. Please take some time to read both documents carefully, as there will be information that is new to you this year.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It has been a fantastic start to the new school year, and I am already looking forward to everything we are going to achieve together.

Have a lovely weekend, Leverton Family!

Learning and achieving; today, tomorrow, for life!



Dates For Your Diary

Fri 23 October 26	Break up for Half Term
Mon 2 November 26	Inset Day
Tues 3 November 26	Children Return
Fri 18 December 26	Break up for Christmas
Mon 04 January 27	Children Return
Fri 12 February 27	Break up for Half Term
Mon 22 February 27	Inset Day
Tues 23 February 27	Children Return
Thurs 25 March 27	Break up for Easter
Mon 12 April 27	Children Return
Mon 03 May 27	Bank Holiday
Thurs 27 May 27	Break up for Half Term
Fri 28 May 27	Inset day
Mon 07 Jun 27	Children Return
Weds 21 July 27	Break up for Summer
Mon 20 July 26	Inset Day

Best Attendance

This week's best attendance was

Robin Class
with 100%



BREAKFAST CLUB



Breakfast Club: The free breakfast club runs from 8.15am until 8.45am, although food service ends at 8.35am as does the last admission, in order for the children and staff to tidy up and get the children ready for going into class.

Children who arrive after 8.35am will not be able to access breakfast club they will need to wait with their parent in the usual way until the classrooms doors are opened at 8.45am. Please remember to book in with the QR code if you would like your child to attend the free breakfast club.

We understand that parents may require longer than the free 30-minute sessions and we have extended our opening hours to accommodate those parents who need to get to work early. Therefore, Breakfast Club will be open from 7.30am till 8.15am at a chargeable fee of £3 per session (as above, from 8.15am - 8.45am will be free).

The chargeable session will need to be booked directly with Breakfast Club. This can be done via message to 07761 729756 or email

extendedschools@levertton.essex.sch.uk

Please Scan the QR code/s below to book your free place, please note they are bookable monthly

September 26



The following children are celebrating birthdays this week and last week



Lavin 10, Luca 6, Freya 5, Abel 7, Jan 6, Fred 11, Adnan 9,
Teddie 11, Frank 8, Paisley 6, Dolcie 10, Clara 10,
Maddison 11, Arla 6, Shanel 9, Lullah-Belle 6, Oliver 10

● WEEK 1: 13 Apr, 5 May, 1 Jun, 22 Jun, 13 Jul, 1 Sep, 21 Sep, 12 Oct ● WEEK 2: 20 Apr, 11 May, 8 Jun, 29 Jun, 20 Jul, 7 Sep, 28 Sep, 19 Oct ● WEEK 3: 27 Apr, 18 May, 15 Jun, 6 Jul, 14 Sep, 5 Oct

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL 1	Pork Sausages & Gravy	Beef Lasagne	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	Quorn Burger (v)	Fish Fillet Fingers
MAIN MEAL 2	Lentil Bolognese Pasta Shells (Ve)	Plant-Based Grill (Ve)	Cheese & Tomato Puff Pastry Tart (v)	Butternut & Chickpea Biryani (Ve) (New)	Margherita Pizza (v)
SIDE DISH	Mashed Potatoes	Herby Garlic Bread or Potato Wedges	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	Potato Wedges or Herby Garlic Bread	Chips or Tricolour Pasta
PASTA	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Pesto Pasta (v)	Herby Tomato Pasta with Cheese (v)	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Pesto Pasta (v)
JACKET POTATOVARIOUS	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Beans & Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Beans & Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Beans & Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Beans & Cheese (v)	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Beans & Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo
COLD OPTION FIXED	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Ham Baguette	Egg Mayo Baguette (v)	Cheese Baguette (v)
DESSERT	Peach & Apple Crumble & Ice Cream (v)	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Raspberry & Lemon Square (v) (New)	Marble Cookie (v)

MAIN MEAL 1	Chicken Curry	Plant-Based Meatballs with Tomato Sauce (Ve)	Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Chicken Pie & Gravy	Battered Fish
MAIN MEAL 2	Plant-Based Sausages & Gravy (Ve)	Mac 'n' Cheese (v)	Quorn Fillet with Stuffing & Gravy (Ve)	Mild Bean Chilli (Ve)	Margherita Pizza (v)
SIDE DISH	Brown & White Rice or Potato Wedges	Pasta or Herby Garlic Bread	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	New Potatoes or Brown & White Rice	Chips or Tricolour Pasta
PASTA	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Pesto Pasta (v)	Herby Tomato Pasta with Cheese (v)	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Pesto Pasta (v)
JACKET POTATO VARIOUS	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Beans & Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Beans & Cheese (v)	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Beans & Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Beans & Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Beans & Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo
COLD OPTION FIXED	Cheese Baguette (v)	Egg Mayo Baguette (v)	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Ham Baguette	Salmon Mayo Baguette
DESSERT	Apple Tart & Ice Cream (v)	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Strawberry Mousse (v)	Chocolate Muffin (v)

MAIN MEAL 1	Pulled Paprika Chicken Flatbread (New)	Beef Burger	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	Quorn Hotdog (v)	Fish Fillet Fingers
MAIN MEAL 2	Breaded Bean & Vegetable Grill (Ve)	BBQ Bean Loaded Hash Browns (Ve)	Roasted Summer Veg Quiche (v)	Cauliflower Cheese Pasta Bake (v) (New)	Margherita Pizza (v)
SIDE DISH	Brown & White Rice or Pasta	Potato Wedges	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	New Potatoes	Potato Wedges or Tricolour Pasta
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COLD OPTION FIXED	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Ham Baguette	Egg Mayo Baguette (v)	Cheese Baguette (v)
DESSERT	Pancake with Blueberries (v)	Ice Cream with Chocolate Cookie Crumb (v)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Orange Shortbread (Ve)

Vegetables and a variety of salads are served daily. V = Vegetarian Ve = Vegan.

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