

Leverton News - Autumn Term

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Message from Miss Gibbs

One More Week Until Half Term!

Just one more week to go until the end of this half term already! Where does the time go?

We've had three exciting school trips taking place this week, including Year 3's visit to The Hive in High Beech. Please see the photos and information below.

I was lucky enough to join Year 3 on their trip, and it was absolutely amazing! We are so fortunate to have such a beautiful forest right on our doorstep.

If you're looking for something to do over half term, why not pay The Hive a visit? There aren't many places these days where children can enjoy a fantastic outdoor adventure for free! They can climb, explore, investigate and even build their own dens.

If you do visit, I'd love to hear all about your adventures or see a photo of what you get up to!

Year 6 have been visiting the Gunpowder Mills today to learn more about World War II. Once again, we are making the most of the fascinating places right on our doorstep. The Gunpowder Mills played an important role during wartime, making it a really interesting place for the children to explore and bring their learning to life.

Meanwhile, Year 4 have been busy travelling by train into London for a visit to the Science Museum! What an exciting opportunity to explore, discover and learn beyond the classroom.

We look forward to sharing more about both trips, along with some lovely photos, in next week's newsletter. Keep an eye out!

We are looking forward to seeing lots of you at Parents' Evening next week. This is a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress, celebrate their achievements and find out how they are getting on in school.

We are also hoping that our new catering company, HCL, will be joining us with some food tasters for you to try! Hopefully, this will give you and your children a little taste of what's on offer and encourage more families to sign up for our school dinners. We look forward to seeing you there!

Don't Miss Out on Our Spooktacular Halloween Disco!

Please remember to book your child's ticket for our Halloween disco before it's too late! It's sure to be a spooktacular event, and we can't wait to see everyone dressed up and ready for some Halloween fun!



Year 3 Trip To The Hive

On Wednesday, Year 3 had an enjoyable day in High Beech learning about life in the Stone age. The children learnt how to start a fire using equipment similar to what the Stone Age people would have used. Using slate the children shaped their stones to form spear heads. In the forest, we tried to identify different trees and animal tracks. Then we were set the challenge of building our own shelters. Working as a team the children had to choose large branches for their shelter, once checked they were allowed inside their dens.



Nursery

The children in Nursery have been getting up close to nature in the garden. They have collected sticks for our bug hotel, removed sunflower seeds with tweezers and kept our flowers watered. Well done Bumblebees!

Year 6-7 Applications

The new secondary school admission round is now open, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2027. The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2026.

Could You Become a School Governor?

A little reminder that we currently have governor applications open for anyone who may be interested in joining our Governing Body.

Being a school governor is a rewarding opportunity to support the development and success of our school and help ensure the best possible outcomes for all our children. Governors work as part of a team to provide strategic direction, support and challenge to the school's leadership. This includes helping to shape the school's vision, reviewing progress and standards, overseeing finances and ensuring that decisions are made in the best interests of our pupils.

The role is not about being involved in the day-to-day running of the school or dealing with individual concerns and complaints. Instead, governors take a wider view of the school, asking questions, looking at evidence and working collaboratively with school leaders to support continued improvement.

We are keen to hear from people who are passionate about education, willing to learn and able to bring their skills, experience and ideas to the role. You do not need to have previous experience as a governor, just a commitment to working in partnership with the school and acting in the best interests of the whole Leverton Family.

If you are interested in finding out more or would like to apply, please contact the school office for further information.



Learning and achieving; today, tomorrow, for life!



This week's Best Attendance
EYFS & KS1 with 95.9%



KS2 with 97.9%



Well Done





Halloween Disco

FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER
 YEARS 1, 2 & 3 4.00 - 5.00PM
 YEARS 4, 5 & 6 5.30 - 7.00PM

TICKETS £3.50
 PAYMENTS VIA SCHOOLGATEWAY APP
 INCLUDES A SPOOKY TREAT, GLOWSTICK
 AND UNLIMITED JUICE
 PLEASE INDICATE ANY DIETARY
 REQUIREMENTS

To ensure we are able to
 accommodate all the children,
 we will only be able to take
 payment until midnight
 Thursday 22nd October
 Fancy dress is optional, but no
 mask's please.
**Children must be collected by
 an adult at the end of the disco.**



LEVERTON PTA FIREWORKS SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

The Leverton PTA fantastic firework display by Firework Crazy is back with a bang!

Gates open 17.15 display starts approx 18.30

DJ, Glow stand, glitter tattoos, hot and cold food,
 Licenced bar, with hot mulled wine & cider
 Sweetie stall, Rob the Ice Cream Van

Pre ordered tickets - £27.00 family of four, £7.50 single ticket

All tickets on the night £8.50pp.

Under 2's Free

Under 16's MUST be accompanied by an adult

Book early to avoid disappointment!!
 Tickets are non-refundable

Advance tickets can be purchased using
<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/GYLZ>
 or Scanning the QR code



NO SPARKLERS ALLOWED AT THE EVENT

Dates For Your Diary

Fri 23 October 26	Break up for Half Term
Friday 23 October	PTA Halloween Discos
Sun 01 November	PTA Fireworks
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

Team Points

Red - 138

Blue - 146

Yellow - 130

Green - 145

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@leverton.essex.sch.uk

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

October 26



The following children are celebrating birthdays this week



Rosie-Mae 9, Mark 7, Jaiden 7, Annabelle 8, Ada 5

PE TIMETABLE

Reception - TBC

Yr1 - Thursday & Friday

Yr2 - Monday & Friday

Yr3 - Monday & Friday

Yr4 - Tuesday & Wednesday

Yr5 - Tuesday & Thursday

Yr6 - Wednesday & Friday

● 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
PASTA	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Pesto Pasta (v)	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Herby Tomato Pasta with Cheese (v)	Pesto Pasta (v)
JACKET POTATO VARIOUS	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Beans & Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo, Salmon 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	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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