

Leverton News - Autumn Term

Friday 18th
September 2026



Issue No.2

Message from Miss Gibbs

It has been lovely to see the children continuing to settle so well into the new school year. We are incredibly proud of how they are learning, playing and growing together as a school family.

As we move through the term, we would like to take this opportunity to share a few important reminders with everyone. These expectations help us to keep our school safe, calm and enjoyable for all of our children and staff.

Squishy Toys - A Gentle Reminder

We know that squishy toys can be great fun and can also be a useful sensory tool for some children. However, children should not bring squishy toys into school unless this has been specifically discussed and agreed with their class teacher and/or SENCO.

Unfortunately, we have been experiencing some problems with squishy toys being brought onto the playground, where they are causing unnecessary distractions and difficulties.

We have also had children taking them into the KS2 toilets and bursting them, which has resulted in blockages and flooding in the toilet area. This causes significant disruption and creates an unnecessary health and safety issue.

Please ensure that squishy toys are kept at home unless there is an agreed reason for a child to have one in school.

Uniform and Jewellery

A further reminder regarding our school uniform policy:

Children may wear one pair of small stud earrings only.

Bracelets and necklaces should not be worn in school.

We appreciate your support in ensuring that children come to school in the correct uniform and with only the permitted jewellery. These expectations are in place for consistency and, importantly, for children's safety during the school day and when taking part in physical activities.

School Gates - 3.30pm Closure

Please remember that our school gates close promptly at 3.30pm each day.

This is particularly important for the safety and security of children attending our after-school clubs. Once the gates are closed, our school site needs to be secure so that children attending clubs can enjoy their activities safely.

We ask that all families make arrangements to leave the school site promptly after collection.

Bikes and Scooters

We have also noticed children riding bikes and scooters around the school site after school.

For everyone's safety, bikes and scooters must be stopped when children reach the school premises and pushed around the school site. They should not be ridden on school grounds.

This is especially important when there are lots of children and families leaving school and children attending after-school clubs.

Our staff are responsible for reminding children and adults of these safety expectations. We have unfortunately had occasions where members of staff have been spoken to rudely when giving these reminders.

We want to be very clear that this is not acceptable and will not be tolerated.

Our staff are simply carrying out their responsibility to keep all of our children safe. We ask that all members of our Leverton community speak to staff with the same kindness, courtesy and respect that we expect from our children.

Join Our Leverton Team

We are also pleased to share that we currently have some 1:1 support positions available at Leverton.

If you, or someone you know, would be interested in working with our wonderful children and becoming part of the Leverton Family, please have a look at the vacancies currently being advertised on Essex JobScene.

These roles provide an opportunity to make a real difference to the life of a child, working alongside our dedicated teachers and support staff.

Please search for the current Leverton 1:1 support vacancies on Essex JobScene for further information and details on how to apply.

Working Together as a Leverton Family

We understand that there are lots of rules and expectations to remember, but they are all there for good reason — to keep our children safe, happy and able to enjoy their time at school.

Thank you for your continued support and for working alongside us. We really value the partnership we have with our families and appreciate everyone helping us to maintain a safe, respectful, calm and happy Leverton environment for everyone.

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.

Applications must be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. Please see the next 2 pages for the Open Day Information for the Local Secondary Schools.

Parking Reminder

If you are parking on a pavement, please be sure to leave space for a double buggy to pass. Also, it is illegal to park across a drive way if the resident needs access to drive out. Please do not use the road by the gates as a drop off/ pick up area. Many families have to cross these areas and it is becoming dangerous for them to do so. Please also be aware of others when walking to and from school and when waiting to cross the traffic lights, to ensure everyone has sufficient space to walk and wait safely on the pavement. This will ensure that other parents, children and buggies do not have to go into the road. We all have a responsibility to make travelling to and from school safe for everyone.



Learning and achieving; today, tomorrow, for life!

Secondary School Open Day Information

KING HAROLD ACADEMY
WWW.KHA-TKAT.ORG

YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED TO OUR

OPEN EVENING

ON

Thursday 24th September 2026

5 - 8 pm

Kindness  Hard work  Ambition 

School Tour Dates

If you would like to take a tour of the school with the Headteacher (or a member of the leadership team), the following dates and times are available.

Wednesday 9th September - 9am
Tuesday 15th September - 9am
Wednesday 16th September - 9am
Tuesday 22nd September - 8.30am
Wednesday 23rd September - 9am
Wednesday 30th September - 9am
Tuesday 6th October - 8.30am
Wednesday 7th October - 9am
Tuesday 13th October - 8.30am
Wednesday 14th October - 9am

Please contact the school to book your place
01992 714 800 office@kha-tkat.org

OPEN EVENING & SCHOOL TOURS



We look forward to welcoming prospective families to our open evening on Wednesday 9th September 2026.

The event will take place from 5:30pm until 8:00pm. There will be opportunities to attend presentations by the Head of School at 6:00pm and 6:45pm.

We would also like to invite families to attend a tour of our school on the following dates:

Tuesday 15th September / 22nd September / 29th September / 6th October / 13th October

Wednesday 16th September / 23rd September / 30th September / 7th October / 14th October

Each tour will commence at 9:00am and 11:00am

Open Morning 2026

Saturday 26th September - 9:00am to 12:30pm



Roding Valley
High School

We have three arrival and headteachers talk times:

- Option 1: 9:00am tour + 10:00am Headteachers talk
- Option 2: 10:00am tour + 11:00am Headteachers talk
- Option 3: 11:00am tour + 12:00pm Headteachers talk

Please note, there are only 300 places available per tour/talk for Open Morning.

If you cannot make our Open Morning, bookable school tours are also available on Tuesday 29th September, Wednesday 30th September and Thursday 1st October 2026.



Your 7 year journey to BE your own future starts here



Saturday 19th September 9:00-12:00

BE YOUR OWN FUTURE

OPEN MORNING

Davenant Foundation School Open Evening

for prospective Year 7 students

Thursday, 1st October 2026

6pm to 9pm



**Headteacher presentations at
6.30pm and 7.30pm
followed by tours of the school**

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

Butterfly Class

with 99.2%

Well done!



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@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



Jeremie 8, Melisa 10, Marlie 7, Abigail 9, Reggie 10, Mihai 7, Kyron-Paul 4, Aren 6, Skye 7, George 9, Logan 5, Henry 10

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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