Leverton News - Autumn Term

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Message from Miss Gibbs

Another week has flown by at Leverton! I think we can safely say that school life is never boring. From busy classrooms to all the little things that make our school special, there's plenty to share with you this week.



A Warm Welcome to Sam!

We have a new face in our kitchen! Sam has joined us as our new school cook. She has worked with HCL Catering for a number of years and is getting to grips with our kitchen routines and, of course, getting to know all the children.

One thing that is proving really helpful is having a photograph of your child's face uploaded to their meal account. Lots of you have already done this, so thank you! It makes such a difference to Sam, helping her quickly identify which meal belongs to which child without having to continually check names and faces. If you haven't uploaded a photo yet, please do take a moment to do so. It's a really simple process and makes a big difference.

A Little Reminder About Booking School Meals

We also need to remind parents that school meals must be booked in advance. Our meals are freshly prepared and cooked to order, which means we don't always have spare meals available for children who haven't been booked in.
When this happens, children may have to be given a basic alternative meal. We really don't like having to do this, particularly when children are looking forward to a particular lunch.
We completely understand that life gets busy and the occasional missed booking can happen – we're all human! However, this is happening regularly for some children, and it isn't fair on them or on our kitchen team, who are doing their best to cater for everyone.
Please remember that booking meals is a parent's responsibility. You can book a whole half term in advance, make it a weekend job or simply book day by day – whatever works best for your family.
Please take a moment to check your child's bookings and make sure they aren't missing out. Thank you for your support!

A Pawsome Visit from Guide Dogs!



Today, we were delighted to welcome two very special visitors to our school – guide dogs Ray and Oakley!

The children absolutely loved meeting these wonderful dogs and learning about the incredible work guide dogs do to support people with sight loss. Through our special assemblies, the children discovered how guide dogs are trained, the important role they play in helping people live independently and how we can support those with visual impairments.

It was a fantastic opportunity to develop empathy, understanding and respect for others, while also having lots of fun!

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our non-uniform fundraising day and helped raise money for such a worthwhile charity.

Ray and Oakley certainly stole the show – and a few hearts along the way!



Anti-Bullying Week Donations - We collected a grand total of 219 advent calendars for 3food4u.

Sports

It has been a busy few weeks for school sport! Our football team faced St John's, unfortunately losing 6–1, while Deer Class enjoyed a Multi-Skills Event at King Harold, developing teamwork and earning points for our school. We also had 30 children compete in a Tag Rugby Event, with all three teams doing fantastically well. This was great preparation for next week's bigger event. Well done to everyone who took part!

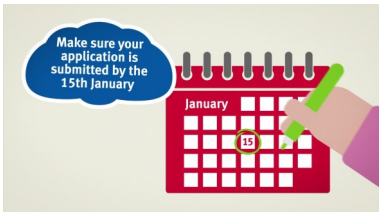
I hope you have a lovely weekend!

Reception Admissions September 2027

If your child was born between 01 September 2022 and 31 August 2023 you can apply for a Reception place between 09 November 2026 and 15 January 2027.

Applications can be made online via

https://www.essex.gov.uk/apply-for-a-primary-school-place





Free Winter Clubs with Essex ActivAte

Winter HAF clubs with Essex ActivAte is now live to book across Essex and Thurrock, with loads of free activity spaces available for school-aged children and young people.

Families can choose from local clubs, offering a fantastic mix of fun activities, movement opportunities, and a free, nutritious meal each day. The programme also provides reliable and supportive holiday childcare, helping families maintain routines, balance work, and support children's wellbeing throughout the school break. Families with children eligible for Targeted Free School Meals will receive a HolidayActivities voucher code from hello@holidayactivities.com, usually via their child's school. This voucher code can be used to book free places at Essex ActivAte holiday clubs through the HolidayActivities booking system.

Learning and achieving; today, tomorrow, for life!

BRITISH PANTOMIMES PRESENTS

THE MAGICAL STORY OF

SLEEPING BEAUTY

Thursday 17th December

Nursery to Year 6

£7 per child

£

Payment via school gateway



Children can wear PJS



This week's Best Attendance

EYFS & KS1 with 95.7%



KS2 with 99.3%





Well Done



Dates For Your Diary

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

Agreed dates for 2027/2028 Academic Year

Weds 01 September 27	Inset Day
Thurs 02 September 27	First Day of Autumn Term
Fri 22 October 27	Break up for Half Term
Mon 1 November 27	Inset Day
Tues 2 November 27	Children Return
Fri 17 December 27	Break up for Christmas
Tues 04 January 28	Inset Day
Weds 05 January 28	Children Return
Fri 11 February 28	Break up for Half Term
Mon 21 February 28	Inset Day
Tues 22 February 28	Children Return
Fri 31 March 28	Break up for Easter
Tues 18 April 28	Children Return
Mon 01 May 28	Bank Holiday
Thurs 25 May 28	Break up for Half Term
Fri 26 May 28	Inset day
Mon 05 Jun 28	Children Return
Fri 21 July 28	Break up for Summer

Team Points

Red - 138

Blue - 146

Yellow - 130

Green - 145

The following children are celebrating birthdays this week



Amara 7, Nova 7, Leonel 10, Andrew 10, Harrier 11, Luca 11, Riyad 5, Emily 10, Jack 4, Tuana 8, Deniz 10.



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

November & December 26

HCL

Winter Menu 26

● WEEK 1: 1 Sept, 21 Sept, 12 Oct, 2 Nov, 23 Nov, 14 Dec, 4 Jan, 25 Jan, 22 Feb, 15 Mar ● WEEK 2: 7 Sept, 28 Sept, 19 Oct, 9 Nov, 30 Nov, 11 Jan, 1 Feb, 1 Mar, 22 Mar ● WEEK 3: 14 Sept, 5 Oct, 16 Nov, 7 Dec, 18 Jan, 8 Feb, 8 Mar

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL 1	Pork Sausages & Gravy	Mexican Bean Burrito (v)	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	Chicken Pie & Gravy	Fish Fillet Fingers
MAIN MEAL 2	Sweet Potato & Chickpea Curry (Ve)	Mac 'n' Cheese (v)	Roast Quorn Fillet with Stuffing & Gravy (Ve)	Breaded Bean & Vegetable Grill (Ve)	Margherita Pizza (v)
SIDE DISH	Mashed Potatoes or Brown & White Rice	Diced Potatoes or Herby Garlic Bread	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	Mashed Potatoes or Pasta	Chips or Tricolour Pasta
PASTA	Pesto Pasta (v)	Herby Tomato Pasta & Cheese (v)	Cheesy Pasta (v)	Herby Tomato Pasta & Cheese (v)	Pesto Pasta (v)
JACKET POTATO VARIOUS	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v)	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo
COLD OPTION FIXED	Salmon Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette (v)	Ham Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Egg Mayo Baguette (v)
DESSERT	Oat & Raisin Cookie (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Apple Crumble & Custard (v)	Chocolate Brick Wall (Ve)
MAIN MEAL 1	Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs with Sweet & Tangy Sauce	Chicken Curry	Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Quorn Burger (v)	Battered Fish
MAIN MEAL 2	Sunshine Eggs with Baked Beans (v)	Cheese Pinwheel (v)	Quorn Pieces with Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy (v)	Veggie Bolognese (Ve)	Margherita Pizza (v)
SIDE DISH	Brown & White Rice or Potato Wedges	Brown & White Rice or Diced Potatoes	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	Potato Wedges or Spaghetti	Potato Wedges or Tricolour Pasta
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COLD OPTION FIXED	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Ham Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette (v)	Egg Mayo Baguette (v)
DESSERT	Shortbread (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Pear & Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Custard	Jammy Cookie (Ve)
MAIN MEAL 1	Beef Bolognese	Quorn Hotdog (v)	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	Beef Burger	Fish Fillet Fingers
MAIN MEAL 2	Vegan Quorn Sausage & Gravy (Ve)	Roasted Veg Lasagne (v)	Beany Pasta Bake (Ve)	Baked Bean Slice (Ve)	Margherita Pizza (v)
SIDE DISH	Spaghetti or Potato Wedges	Diced Potatoes or Herby Garlic Bread	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	Diced Potatoes or Pasta	Chips or Tricolour Pasta
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COLD OPTION FIXED	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette (v)	Ham Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Egg Baguette (v)
DESSERT	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Carrot Cake (v)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Apple Charlotte Pudding & Custard (v)	Chocolate Raisin Cookie (Ve)

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A variety of fruit, vegetables and salads are served daily.

V = Vegetarian Ve = Vegan










WALTHAM ABBEY
CAVALCADE of LIGHT
A MAGICAL EVENING TO START THE FESTIVE SEASON!
FRIDAY
27th NOVEMBER
2026
LIGHTS SWITCHED ON AT 7PM
SPECTACULAR PARADE
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
FESTIVE STALLS
FOOD & DRINK AND MORE!
Bring the family and join the celebration!


WALTHAM ABBEY
CHRISTMAS MARKET
SATURDAY
12TH DECEMBER 2026
9AM - 3PM
LOCATION:
SUN STREET & MARKET SQUARE, WALTHAM ABBEY
LOCAL TRADERS
HANDMADE GIFTS
FESTIVE FOOD & DRINK
REINDEER TIMES:
11AM - 1PM
Shop Local Support Local
REINDEERS
STALLS
GIFTS
FESTIVE SHOPPING • FAMILY FUN • A STRONGER COMMUNITY

SPORTS CLUB ENROLMENT

LEVERTON PRIMARY

FOOTBALL | GYMNASTICS

Welcome and thank you for your interest in Foundation Sports' after school sessions.

Foundation Sports is an award-winning sports coaching provider, delivered by fully qualified coaches who are insured, DBS checked, and committed to upholding our high standards through a clear code of conduct. This ensures every session is safe, engaging and enjoyable for all children, regardless of ability.
No matter which extra-curricular club you choose, our sessions are built around three key principles: Fun, Inclusion, Learning.

We aim to create a positive environment where children can develop not only their physical skills, but also:
✓ **Confidence** ✓ **Social interaction** ✓ **Teamwork** ✓ **Mental wellbeing**

Our goal is to provide a fun, supportive and progressive experience where every child feels valued and encouraged to take part.

NOV - DEC 26 BOOK NOW

For all information on these clubs including dates and pricing, please **click here** or scan the QR code

DAY	SPORT	YEAR
MONDAY	GYMNASTICS	YEARS 1 - 4
FRIDAY	FOOTBALL	YEAR 1 - 6

Please note: Sessions will be split by age group where possible, depending on the number of children enrolled

Please click on the link(s) provided above which represents the course you would like to book your child on to. If you have already created an account with class4kids please sign in and proceed. If you haven't created an account it will ask you to create a class4kids account where you will be required enter all the relevant information in regards to booking your child's space. This info will be stored in your account and you will not have to enter it every time you make a booking with us (unless your details change). Refunds will not be provided unless at the fault of Foundation Sports.

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Herts Business Awards
Postive Impact Winner 2025

National Business Awards -
Community Business Silver Award 2020

Herts Business Awards
Community Winner 2019

Herts Business Awards - Commercial
Business of the Year - Runner Up 2017

