

Leverton News - Spring Term

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Message from Miss Gibbs

Welcome Back

Welcome back to the Spring term. We hope you all enjoyed a lovely festive break. Although the weather has been cold, the children's excitement at seeing and enjoying the snow this week has been wonderful to see.

Launch Day

We kick-started 2026 with topic launch days across all year groups. As you will see from the photos and class write ups below, the children thoroughly enjoyed these days, which help to hook them into their learning and spark their enthusiasm to find out more.

Reception were launched into their exciting new topic, Terrific Tales, by exploring the traditional story Jack and the Beanstalk. The children created their own beanstalks using a variety of natural materials and were introduced to lots of new vocabulary, which they have confidently used in their writing this week.

They are having so much fun in our role play area, retelling and acting out traditional tales. Their enthusiasm and imaginations have been wonderful to see.

Year 1 had an exciting launch day where we explored space together. The children made space helmets and astronauts and enjoyed learning about the different planets in our solar system.



We learnt about Neil Armstrong and his journey into space, as well as Major Tim Peake and his mission. The children had lots of fun exploring different types of space travel and used their creativity to design and name their own planets. It was a fantastic day full of curiosity, creativity, and enjoyment.

Year 2 enjoyed a fascinating day exploring the history of hospitals and how they have changed from the past to the present. We were introduced to two very important women who transformed healthcare for the better, Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. Both women were great nurses who used different methods to care for their patients, including medicine and herbal remedies and they faced different challenges in their work. The children created their own X-rays of their hands, made a lamp to represent the 'Lady with the Lamp' and took part in a short introduction to first aid, including how to use bandages. We are looking forward to learning even more about these two incredible nurses over the next term.



Year 3 have had an exciting start to their new History topic, Anglo-Saxons. To launch the topic, the children created Anglo-Saxon longhouses using boxes, straw and lolly sticks. They had lots of fun working creatively and were enthusiastic learners throughout the activity. During the launch, the children also learned many new facts, including why the Anglo-Saxons came to England, where they came from, and where they settled. We are looking forward to exploring this topic further over the coming weeks.



Year 4 launched their exciting new topic, Rainforests, with a creative and hands-on learning day. Working in small groups, the children explored the different layers of the rainforest, including the forest floor, understory, canopy and emergent layer.



Year 5 boarded a Leverton Airways plane and set off on their journey to North America. They were checked in by air stewardess Miss Peachey and welcomed on board by pilot Mrs Afful. During the flight, the children explored the countries of Jamaica, Mexico, the USA and Canada. In the afternoon, they researched different Disney characters that originate from North America and worked collaboratively to create their own cartoon characters inspired by the diverse countries within the continent.



Year 6 launch day by Jelani Owl Class - For launch day we were learning about the Ancient Greeks. We took part in the Ancient Greek Olympics and we used sports equipment to mimic what it felt like over 2,500 years ago. After that, we used our pencils to engrave in foil, like we were designing plates! Last but not least, we made beautiful temples out of paper-crafting straws. Everyone enjoyed it and had so much fun!.

Vocab Homework Question:

Story: Famous online creators have come together at the 1 Billion Followers Summit in Dubai to talk about how their influence affects people around the world.

Question: Can famous people help others make good choices?

Next Thursday, 15 January we will be having a special Census Day Lunch.



Zip Zap Drama will be starting classes for years 1-6 (Boys and girls encouraged) after school, Starting Tuesday 3rd February 2026, 3.15-4.30pm (please provide a nut-free snack) Spaces limited so please text or what's app Moya on 07967131227 to reserve your space.

Drama, Dance & Singing Classes

ZIP ZAP
Sing Sense Smile

Zip Zap Drama classes are fun, high-energy sessions designed to build confidence, creativity, and performance skills in every child. Led by a professional actor and classically trained singer with over 20 years' industry experience, our tutor brings warmth, expertise, and a passion for nurturing young talent. Each week, children develop a specific social skill – such as eye contact, turn-taking, or concentration – while exploring drama, dance, and singing. With two decades of teaching at one of London's leading children's drama schools, your child is in expert hands. Every term ends with a joyful presentation of their work, celebrating progress and confidence.

Watch your child's social skills grow with weekly drama based afterschool classes where their confidence will grow whilst having the best time of their week.

What parents have said:

"Moya, your energy and enthusiasm is admirable and the way you motivate the children is simply amazing. Thank you. It will be difficult to find another teacher like you. Thank you :)"

"Moya is always upbeat and very engaging with both the children and parents. She is fantastic in keeping my son engaged and focused." :))

Reception Admissions September 2026

If your child was born between 01 September 2021 and 31 August 2022 you can apply for a Reception place between 10 November 2025 and 15 January 2026.

Applications can be made online via

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



Dates For Your Diary

Fri 13 February 26	Break up for Half Term
Mon 23 February 26	Children Return
Fri 27 March 26	Break up for Easter
Mon 13 April 26	Children Return
Mon 04 May 26	Bank Holiday
Thurs 21 May 26	Break up for Half Term
Fri 22 May 26	Inset day
Mon 01 Jun 26	Children Return
Fri 17 July 26	Break up for Summer
Mon 20 July 26	Inset Day

Best Attendance

This week's best attendance was Fox Class
With 99.6%
Well done!



Team Points

Red - 196
Blue - 301
Yellow - 344
Green - 274

The following people are celebrating birthdays this week



Matvii 10, James 10, Birdie 6, Brett 11, Ollie 5, Ivy 9,
Erin 11, Brody 11.

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. From 8.35am children 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

January QR Code



PE TIMETABLE

Reception - Tuesday
Yr1 - Thursday & Friday
Yr2 - Monday & Tuesday
Yr3 - Monday & Wednesday
Yr4 - Monday & Friday
Yr5 - Tuesday & Thursday
Yr6 - Wednesday & Friday



Afterschool Club Activities w/c 12 January 2026

Biscuit Challenge Week

Games, crafts and activities around biscuits

When collecting please call the Afterschool Club phone on arrival - 07761 729756

Afterschool Club is available every day from 3.15 - 6.00.

Costs - up to 4.45pm £6.00 per session if they are collected after this time it will be £11.00 per session.

All sessions must be booked in advance, contact Afterschool club on 07761 729756 or email extendedschools@leverton.essex.sch.uk. Once your space is confirmed, payments must be made before your child attends their session. Payment is via the school gateway app please.

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Until further notice afterschool club is in the KS1 hall



WEEK 1

Monday W/C

03/11, 24/11, 15/12, 5/1, 26/1, 16/2

Pork Sausages
Vegetarian Sausage (V)
Served with Mashed Potato,
Garden Peas, Carrots
Lemon Sponge served & Custard

Tuesday

Homemade Beef Lasagne
Vegetarian Lasagne (V)
Served with Sweetcorn,
Mixed Garden Salad,
Diced Herby Potatoes
Shortbread Finger with Fruit Wedges

Wednesday

Roast Chicken with Gravy
Vegetarian Mince & Onion Pie (V)
Served with Roast Potatoes,
Green Beans, Carrots
Iced Chocolate Sponge

Thursday

Mild Beef Chilli Con Carne
Vegetable Enchilada (V)
Served with Fluffy Rice,
Sweetcorn, Broccoli
Apple Crumble & Custard

Friday

Fish Fingers & Tomato Ketchup
Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)
Served with Oven Chips,
Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Famous Fruity Friday

WEEK 2

Monday W/C

10/11, 1/12, 22/12, 12/1, 2/2, 23/2

Beef Burger in a Bun
Cheese & Tomato Pinwheel (V)
Served with Roasted Potato Wedges,
Mixed Garden Salad,
Jam Sponge

Tuesday

BBQ Chicken
Chickpea & Vegetable Biryani (V)
Served with Fluffy Rice,
Garden Peas, Broccoli
Mini Sultana Oat Cookie with Fruit
Slices

Wednesday

Roast Chicken with Gravy
Vegan Quorn Sausage (V)
Served with Roast Potatoes,
Green Beans, Carrots
Pineapple Upside Down Cake
with Custard

Thursday

Chicken Wrap
Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)
Served with Roasted Potato Wedges,
Sweetcorn, Mixed Garden Salad
Chocolate Brownie

Friday

Fish Fingers & Tomato Ketchup
BBQ Vegetable & Bean Wrap (V)
Served with Oven Chips,
Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Famous Fruity Friday

WEEK 3

Monday W/C

17/11, 8/12, 29/12, 19/1, 9/2

Cheese, Tomato & Ham Pizza
Mixed Bean Fajita (V)
Served with Roasted Potato
Wedges, Mixed Garden Salad,
Shortbread

Tuesday

Mexican Chicken & Rice
Macaroni Cheese (V)
Served with Warm Baguette,
Garden Peas, Broccoli
Chocolate Sponge with Custard

Wednesday

Roast Gammon with Gravy
Roast Quorn Fillet with Gravy (V)
Served with Mashed Potato,
Carrots, Green Beans
Banana Tray Bake

Thursday

Pasta Bolognese
Vegetarian Chilli & Rice (V)
Served with Bread,
Sweetcorn, Broccoli
Chocolate Cookie

Friday

Fish Fingers & Tomato Ketchup
Vegetable Fingers (V)
Served with Oven Chips,
Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Famous Fruity Friday



AVAILABLE DAILY:

Jacket Potato topped with either Baked Beans,
or Cheese

Choice of Sandwiches
Cheese or Ham.

Choice of Freshly Baked Bread, Salad Bar, Fresh Fruit,
Fruit Yoghurt, Jelly and Water.





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AWARD WINNING

National Business Awards - Community Business Silver Award 2020

Herts Business Awards - Community Winner 2019

Herts Business Awards - Community Finalist 2016

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



CLUB ENROLMENT

LEVERTON PRIMARY

FOOTBALL | GYMNASTICS

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

Foundation Sports are an Award-winning Sports Coaching company run by qualified sports coaches who are insured, DBS checked, and follow our own code of conduct, which ensures safety and enjoyment to all, no matter what ability all in a fun and progressive environment. Regardless of which extra Curricular programme you sign up for, our coaches sessions will run on the principles of **FUN, INCLUSION & LEARNING**. Our sessions also improve social interaction, physical interaction, help to regain lost confidence and improve mental health.

JAN - FEB 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	1-4
FRIDAY	FOOTBALL	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.