

# Leverton News - Summer Term

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## Message from Miss Gibbs

Today, the children found out their classes and teachers for next year, and there was a great deal of excitement around the school as the news was shared. Please see the next page for the new class lists.

On Friday 26th June, the children will have the opportunity to spend time with their new teachers as part of our Transition Day. This is always a valuable experience and helps the children feel confident and prepared for the year ahead.

I know that, as in previous years, there were some requests from both children and parents regarding class placements and teachers. While we always listen carefully to these requests, class organisation decisions are made with the best interests of all children at the centre. There are many factors to consider across the whole school to ensure that classes are balanced and that every child is given the best opportunity to thrive.

We are all looking forward to a positive and successful year ahead.

You will notice that Miss Smith is not included on the staffing list for next year. Miss Smith will be leaving us to take up a teaching position in Dubai. While we are excited for her new adventure, she will be greatly missed by both staff and children, and we wish her every success in the future.

We are also delighted to welcome Mrs Hounslow to Leverton. Mrs Hounslow is an experienced Year 6 teacher, and we are very pleased that she will be joining our team. I am sure you will join me in giving her a warm welcome to the Leverton family.

We were fortunate to welcome a Young Carers assembly for Key Stage 2 this week. During the assembly, the children learned about what a young carer is, the responsibilities they may take on at home, and the challenges some young carers face. They also explored ways in which young carers can be supported both in school and at home.

If you feel that your child may take on a young carer role at home, please speak to us. We have information, advice and support available, and we are committed to ensuring that all children receive the help they need to thrive both in and out of school.

A huge well done to all of the children who completed their Phonics Screening Check this week. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of you for the hard work, determination and positive attitude you have shown. The children approached the checks with confidence and resilience, and they should all be very proud of their achievements.

### Vocab Homework Question:

**Story:** Filmmaker, Pixar, has shared that the new Toy Story 5 film will explore how children are spending more time using screens and digital technology.

**Question:** Is technology changing childhood?

### Year 6 Trip to Waltham Abbey

On Tuesday, Year 6 had an enjoyable day down by the River Lee and at the Waltham Abbey Museum. The children were able to learn about the geography and history of Waltham Abbey and Epping Forest. One group were lucky enough to see a narrowboat pass the lock and assisted in opening the lock gates for the boat. We also discussed the impact of pollution and littering to wildlife and our waterways.

In the museum, they had the opportunity to learn about their local area and to observe artefacts that show the history of Waltham Abbey. As well as learning about significant individuals who originated from our town, they investigated a range of historical objects and discussed reasons why they might be found in this area.



### Reception Trip to Hertfordshire Zoo

Yesterday, both Reception classes enjoyed a wonderful trip to Hertfordshire Zoo. Although the weather was very wet and rainy, the children had a fantastic time exploring and learning about a variety of animals. They were excited to see lions, tigers and penguins swimming, and were especially fascinated to watch a bear being fed his lunch! The children also loved exploring the dinosaur trail, which was a real highlight of the day. Throughout the visit, they behaved beautifully, showed great enthusiasm and curiosity, and represented the school exceptionally well. We are very proud of them all!



### Swimming Gala

The year 5's and 6's were absolutely amazing at the gala on Wednesday. They represented the school beautifully with their attitude, effort and behaviour. Leverton came 8th out of all the schools in the district.



### Playleaders

We have had a great week with the arrival of our new lunchtime play equipment from our happiness fund. The playleaders have been running some fantastic games and the children have thoroughly enjoyed it. We have also set up a designated quiet area, which has been hugely successful. Thank you for your continued support and fundraising efforts.

Learning and achieving; today, tomorrow, for life!

Current Class	Class from September	Staff
	Nursery Bumblebee	Teacher: Miss Dempster Nursery Nurse: Mrs Spyrou Learning Assistant: Mrs Ablitt & Mrs Pinnuck
Nursery Bumblebee	Butterfly	Teacher: Ms Jass Learning Assistant: Mrs Wilson Additional Support: Mrs Rydings
	Ladybird	Teacher: Mrs Bedier Learning Assistant: Mrs Pickard Additional support: Mrs Rydings
Ladybird (Reception)	Squirrel (Year 1)	Teacher: Miss Peachey Learning Assistant: Mrs Daltrey
Butterfly (Reception)	Hedgehog (Year 1)	Teacher: Miss Rumens Learning Assistant: Miss Vanstone
Squirrel (Year 1)	Deer (Year 2)	Teacher: Mrs Deboo / Mrs Pughsley Learning Assistant: Mrs Ayres
Hedgehog (Year 1)	Fox (Year 2)	Teacher: Mrs Clegg & Miss Gordon Learning Assistant: Mrs Ramanah am /Mrs Pentelow pm
		Additional support for KS1: Miss Taylor
Fox (Year 2)	Chestnut (Year 3)	Teacher: Mrs Enright
Deer (Year 2)	Maple (Year 3)	Teacher: Mr Mignot
		Year 3 Learning Assistants: Miss Sansom & Mrs Leys
Chestnut (Year 3)	Willow (Year 4)	Teacher: Mrs Baggaley & Mrs Mottram
Maple (Year 3)	Oak (Year 4)	Mrs Marshall
		Year 4 Learning Assistants: Mrs Willis & Mrs Leys
Oak	Kingfisher	Teacher: Mr Gultutan
Willow	Robin	Teacher: Ms Georgiou & Mrs Sertdemirel
		Year 5 Learning Assistants: Mrs Brown & Mrs Page
Kingfisher	Owl	Teacher: Mrs Hounslow
Robin	Harrier	Teacher: Mrs Afful
		Year 6 Learning Assistants: Mrs Taylor & Mrs Page

### Dates For Your Diary

Fri 26 June 26	Transition Day
Fri 03 July 26	Sports Day
Fri 17 July 26	Break up for Summer
Mon 20 July 26	Inset Day

### Best Attendance

This week's best attendance was

Kingfisher Class

with 97.9%



### The following people are celebrating birthdays this week



Asaiah 6, Ronni 8, Rose Maria 8, Toleen 10, Ali 11, Saleh 6

### Agreed dates for 2026/ 2027 Academic Year

Tues 01 September 26	Inset Day
Weds 02 September 26	Inset Day
Thurs 03 September 26	First Day of Autumn Term
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

### 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](mailto:extendedschools@leverton.essex.sch.uk)

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

June QR Code



### PE TIMETABLE

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

### Afterschool Club Activities w/c 08 June 2026

#### World Cup Week

Wednesdays will be organised games and sports

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](mailto: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.

Payments to be made in advance please.

Until further notice afterschool club is in the KS1 hall





# **FATHERS DAY GIFT SHOP FRIDAY 19 JUNE**

**The cost per gift is £3.50**

**Payment via the Schoolgateway app, all payments to be made by Midnight Monday 15th June.**

**The children will complete gift tags at school and will visit the shop to pick their gift or gifts. All gifts will come home with your child on Friday 19th June.**

● 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 POTATO VARIOUS	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
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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)

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

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# 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.

### CONTACT DETAILS

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### AWARD WINNING

**Herts Business Awards**  
Positive 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

### JUNE - JULY 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

# COURSES 2026

**SWCO** Saffron Walden Children's Orchestra

Fun holiday courses for instrumentalists grades 1-5

Summer: **27-30th July, 9.30 - 3.30**

The courses will be held at:  
**Saffron Walden County High School**

For more information including prices visit:  
[www.saffronsymphony.org/childrens-orchestra](http://www.saffronsymphony.org/childrens-orchestra)  
[swco.bookings@gmail.com](mailto:swco.bookings@gmail.com)

As the end of the school year approaches, many families will be thinking about the transition to secondary school. While this can be an exciting step, it can also bring uncertainty and anxiety for some children and their parents.

To support families during this important period, Nip in the Bud is hosting a free live online event for parents and carers on:

**Wednesday 25th June, 7.00pm-8.00pm**

Parents will hear from:

- **Dr Bettina Hohnen** - Clinical Psychologist specialising in neurodiversity, parents and families
- **Alis Rocca** - Former Headteacher and Education Consultant, with a particular focus on building meaningful, supportive partnerships between schools and families
- **Samantha Wrightson** - Parent of two and Executive Producer at Nip in the Bud

Together, they will share practical advice and insights to help parents support children through the move to secondary school, including managing worries about change, friendships, routines, independence and the additional considerations for neurodivergent children.

Families who attend will receive:

- Practical, evidence-informed advice they can apply at home
- Strategies to help children feel more confident and prepared for the move to secondary school
- The opportunity to ask questions during a live Q&A session
- A downloadable handout summarising key tips and resources from the event

We would be grateful if you could share this opportunity with parents and carers in your school community.

Parents can register their interest using the link below and will receive Zoom joining details closer to the event.

## [Parent Zoom Live Sign-up Page](#)

THE CHARITY NIP IN THE BUD IS OFFERING A  
**FREE LIVE EVENT FOR PARENTS & CARERS**

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO PREPARE YOUR CHILD FOR THE MOVE FROM PRIMARY SCHOOL TO SECONDARY SCHOOL?

Find out more about how to prepare your child for the transition from primary school to secondary school

Find out how to support a SEND child through the process

25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 7PM-8PM