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School Times:

8.55am—3.15pm

Nursery:

Morning: 8.45-11.45am

Afternoon: 12.15— 3.15pm

Term Dates:

Wednesday 3rd January—Thursday 28th March

Half Term:

Mon 19th—Fri 23rd February

Remaining PD Days:

Fri 16th Feb

Mon 22nd July

Tues 23rd July



Dear parents and carers,

NEWSLETTER: 17

Y2 children enjoyed their Geography Fieldwork observations, during their walk today. They've been looking at human and physical features in the local area and each was armed with a clipboard and pencil to record their findings!

Nursery children have been in search of a dinosaur in school this week. The children enjoyed exploring the school grounds, looking for clues. It has been reported that there has been a sighting on our premises—exciting!

Reception have had a visit from a vet this week!

The vet talked about her job and the animals she looks after. They looked at some medical equipment and had a turn bandaging their patient—a big, golden Labrador!









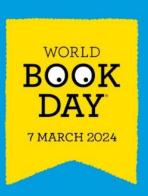
PTA—School Lottery

Would you like to take part in the school lottery? The PTA benefits from this and it is possible to set up as a one off event or pay by direct debit.

See 'yourschoollottery.co.uk' for more information.



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World Book Day

This year, World Book Day takes place on Thursday 7th March. We are inviting children to dress up as a character from a favourite book. They can choose to dress up as a character or just add a prop or clue!

Hopefully, this will be an exciting way to get book recommendations from each other!

Nursery Spaces



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In Science, Year 5 are investigating Earth and Space. They braved the weather to construct a scaled model of our solar system! It took the whole of our KS1 and KS2 outdoor area to demonstrate the distance from the Sun of the furthest planet! They used different sized objects like a giant balloon and a small bead.





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Year 3 have been finding 'North' using a compass and magnets in their Science lesson!















Achievements

We love to celebrate children's achievements, including those outside of school. Please let us know if your child does something that makes you proud!

Harry F in Y5	Was Man of the Match at Rugby—Brilliant!	
Amber D In YI	Moved up to stage 4 in swimming—Fantastic!	
Georgia G in Y3	Won a medal for participating in a swimming gala and three bronze medals! Amazing!	
Holly K in Y3	Achieved Level 2 in Floor work at gymnastics—Well done!	
Ellis, Oliver, Ali, Sam, Theo, Lewis, Henry, Will and Seth	Achieved certificates for participating in the EFL Utilita Kids Cup represent- ing Levendale—Fabulous!	

RRSA—Bronze Award

We are delighted that our school has achieved the **Bronze Level Rights Respecting Schools Award**.

This award has a child-friendly focus and teachers adapt learning to make it age-appropriate and accessible for our children. There are three stages to the award which focuses on a whole school approach to promote children's rights.

There are four key areas of impact for children; wellbeing, participation, relationships and self-esteem.

If you would like to know more, please visit: <u>https://www.unicef.org.uk/rights-respecting-schools/</u>





January Birthdays

Happy Birthday month to: Sarah A, Pippa C, Thomas C, Christie D, Luca D, Snow F, Bonnie G, Ryan H, Matty H-R, Theo J, Reece M, Amara M, Max R, Evie S and Florence W.

Awards given in Celebration Assembly this week....



Levendale Goals—Respect

ΥI	Beau L
¥2	Theo B
¥3	Emma A
¥4	Lucas T
Y5	Sienna D
¥6	Lucas F



Maths Stars

ΥI	Teddy H
¥2	Sam Th
¥3	Alexa S
¥4	Samuel R
Y5	Lilly May D
¥6	Mila R



English Award

Alisha S	ΥI
Jacob T	¥2
Norman R	Y3
Sienna T	Y4
Lila C	Y5
Zarina F	¥6

Attendance

'Class of the week' celebrates the class with the best attendance each week. The winning class, across the term, will get a treat they can negotiate with their teacher! **Well done to Reception and Year 3 this week!**



Attendance	Winners
Reception	2
Year I	I
Year 2	0
Year 3	3
Year 4	0
Year 5	0
Year 6	0

Times Table Rockstars

A huge well done to our winners this week...



Most improved	Norman R in Y3
Highest Earner	Ava N in Y5
Star of the Week	Emme B in Y5

Team Captains

Our team captains counted our team points this week, well done to Topaz who won this week! We will keep a score and the winning team each term will get a reward!

Teams	Captains	Winners
Emerald	Aanya S	I
Topaz	Joshua H	2
Sapphire	Elsa H	0
Ruby	Roukaia N	0



Diary of Events

We are busy planning events for the children, our families and the local community. We will continue to update this list as the term progresses.

More information will be provided, closer to the time of events.

Date	Event
22/01/24	Y3 Forest Schools: Monday afternoons until half term
22/01/24	Y6 Booster 3.15 — 4.15pm: weekly
24/01/24	Y5/6 girls' team Football Cup and Plate at Conyers
07/02/24	Y2 visiting a Mandir
w/b 12/02/24	Parents Evenings
14/02/24	Pupil Ambassadors at Whitehouse Primary
14/02/24	Levendale Lyricals—Royal Opera House workshop a.m.
16/02/24	PD Day—closed to children
w/b 19/02/24	Half Term
07/03/24	World Book Day—dress as a book character, or bring a prop or clue!
w/b 11/03/24 and w/b 18/03/24	Year 4 swimming fortnight
Thurs 28/03/24	Last day in school before the Easter Break

Key Events

We are trying to give parents plenty of notice about important events and have provisionally booked in our calendar the following dates. <u>Please be aware that whilst we will do everything we can to keep to these dates, they are sub-</u>

ject to change, e.g. due to unknown circumstances.

Y6 Leavers' performance: to their parents: Thursday 18th July, 2pm

YI to Y6 Sports Day: The afternoon of Monday 8th July

Nursery and Reception Sports day: The afternoon of Monday 1st July

Y6 SATS week

Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May

Y1 Phonics Screening Check

Monday 10th June to Friday 14th June







In the event of icy or snowy conditions, the following routes will be gritted, in order of priority.

In extreme conditions, such as a lot of snow, it may be that only priority one and two would be open for access to school.

Please stick to the gritted paths only, in icy conditions.









