



Levendale Primary School

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Yarm

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School Times:

8.45am—3.15pm

Nursery:

Morning: 9.00-
12.00am

Afternoon: 12.00—
3.00pm

Wraparound times:

From 7.45am to
start of school

School finish up to
6.00

Spring Term Dates:

Mon 6th Jan—
Friday 11th April

Easter Break:

Mon 14th April—
Friday 25th April

Remaining PD Days:

Mon 21st July

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7th March 2025

Dear parents and carers,

An exciting week in school celebrating World Book Day, including in Early Bird Club!



Class Assemblies

We'd like to invite parents and family members to Class Assemblies for:

Year 3 on Thursday 20th March at 2.45pm

Year 1 on Tuesday 8th April at 2.45pm

The children will lead the assemblies and show what they have been learning about!

School Times

Our school day starts at 8.45am. The start of the day is a really important time, where children learn about what will happen during the day and begin their school work. Please make sure that children are ready to line up with their class mates in the playground and not late for school.

Nursery begins at 9.00am and finishes at 3.00pm

Reception starts at 8.45am and finishes at 3.15pm



Attendance legislation

New legislation came into force on August 19th 2024. These changes affect all unauthorised absence after this date.

Please note that we cannot authorise holidays during term time.

The following applies:

- 10 sessions (equivalent of 5 days) of unauthorised absence within a 10 week period is referred to the Local Authority
- The number of penalty notices that can be issued to a parent, in respect of the same child, will be two penalty notices within a 3-year period, before proceeding for prosecution.
- Schools can still refer to the Local Authority, even when parents have not requested Leave of Absence, where there is knowledge of a 10 session holiday taken in term time.
- Please note that penalty notices are issued per parent, per child.
- The first penalty is £160 (if paid within 28 days) or £80 (if paid within 21 days) for the first penalty notice issued to a parent in respect of the same child in a 3-year period.
- The second penalty is £160 to be paid within 28 days for a second penalty notice, issued to the same parent in respect of the same child within 3 years of the date that the first penalty notice was issued. No discount is offered.
- Further absences will proceed for prosecution in the Magistrate Court, for the same parent in respect of the same child, within 3 years of the date the first penalty was issued.
- There are systems to transfer notice of penalties between schools and local authorities.
- The school does not receive any of the penalty notice funds.
- Further information can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance?scrlybrkr=a3339ffc>

Another fabulous week in wraparound! The children enjoyed yummy pancakes on Tuesday and World Book Day on Thursday. They also loved playing out in the spring sunshine!



Year 4 enjoyed taking part in World Book Day activities!



Year 6 and Year 3 spent time together sharing books!



Some fabulous costumes!



Year 2 enjoyed reading with Year 5 on World Book Day!



Year 1 had a wonderful day!





A huge well done to our Y5/6 girls football team who came 1st in the Stockton Sports Partnership Finals before half term! They played 5 teams twice without conceding a single goal and were unbeaten throughout the competition, winning 8 and drawing 2! We are hugely proud of Esme, Sadie, Lila, Holly, Ava A, Ava N, Sienna and Gracie who played in the true spirit of the game! The girls now qualify for the Tees Valley Finals! Thank you to Mrs Blake for her support.



PE timetable this half term

Year Group	PE DAYS	
Early Years	Friday	
Year 1	Monday	Tuesday
Year 2	Monday	Thursday
Year 3	Tuesday	Wednesday
Year 4	Thursday	Friday
Year 5	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 6	Tuesday	Thursday

Thank you to one of our parents, Dr Mahmood for sharing her e-recipes with us, as a Nutrition Health Coach.



Recipe of the Week:



Cinnamon Ginger Energy Balls

12 servings

15 minutes

Ingredients

- 3/4 cup Pitted Dates
- 1/2 cup Almonds (raw)
- 1/4 cup Cashews (raw)
- 1/2 tsp Cinnamon (ground)
- 1/4 tsp Ground Ginger
- 1/2 tsp Vanilla Extract
- 1/4 tsp Sea Salt

Directions

- 1 Add the dates, almonds, cashews, cinnamon, ginger, vanilla and sea salt to a food processor and blend until well mixed and sticky.
- 2 Transfer to a medium-size mixing bowl. Form into even balls with your hands and store in the fridge or freezer until ready to enjoy.

Notes

Serving Size: One serving is equal to one ball.

Leftovers: Store in an airtight container in the fridge up to one week. Store in the freezer for longer.

We thought children may be interested in this Young Minds competition...



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Young Designer Competition



Create a winning design for our 2025 YoungMinds Hello Yellow kidswear collection

What would you say to a friend who needs you, how would you brighten their day? Whether it's words, drawings, or doodles, we're looking for something that stands out and reminds everyone that one chat can change everything.

Don't forget - the sweatshirt will be yellow, not white!

To enter, ask your parent or guardian to scan the QR code and upload your entry by 31 March 2025.

T&Cs apply

Your age:

Scan to enter





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 , Year 1 and Year 4 this week!

Attendance	Winners
Reception	3
Year 1	2
Year 2	1
Year 3	2
Year 4	1
Year 5	2
Year 6	1

Team Captains

Our team captains counted our team points this week and the winning team were Topaz!

We will keep a score and the winning team each term will get a reward!

Teams	Captains	Winners
Emerald	Ana N	2
Topaz	Lila C	4
Sapphire	Henry B	0
Ruby	Ella K	1



Lower KS2 Star	Freya H Y4
Upper KS2 Star	Andrew S Y5

Awards given in Celebration Assembly this week....



Levendale Goals— Respect

Y1	Milo G
Y2	Eli G-M
Y3	AJ S
Y4	Ava C
Y5	Annabelle S
Y6	George Sh



Maths Stars

Y1	Edward L
Y2	Elise C
Y3	Ethan L
Y4	Freddie S
Y5	Andrew S
Y6	Cleo W



English Award

Y1	Reggie W
Y2	Nriti N R
Y3	Evan B
Y4	Sophia R
Y5	Aria McC
Y6	Ella K





Achievements

We love to celebrate children’s achievements, including those outside of school. Please let us know at Levendale@levendale.org.uk if your child does something that makes you proud!

Arlo P in Y3	Achieved Stage 7, 400m and Bronze certificates at swimming—Fantastic!
Matilda T-J in Y2	Went Skiing and achieved ‘Petit Yeti and ‘Yeti I’ badges—Well done!
Samuel D in Y5	Swam with the county team and achieved 2nd place in a relay—Fabulous!
Elizabeth C in Y2	Achieved 10m breaststroke and won an U8 Tennis tournament in Harrogate—Brilliant!
Holly K in Y4	Winner in the Yarm Spring Artwork Competition- her work displayed at the bus stop next to Yarm town hall! Super!
Sam Th in Y3	Achieved 200m at Swimming—Amazing!
Georgia G in Y4	Was Star of the Week at gymnastics—Great!

RIGHTS RESPECTING READ

ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

As part of our work on being a Silver Rights Respecting School, we would like to share with you our ‘Article of the Week’. Each week in school, we discuss an article from the Convention on the Rights of the Child with the children and what this means to them. This week, we have looked at Article 29.



Article 29

Children’s education should help them fully develop their personalities, talents and abilities. It should teach them to understand their own rights and to respect other people’s rights, cultures and differences. It should help them to live peacefully and protect the environment.



March Birthdays

Happy Birthday month to: Henry Ban, Henry Bar, Casey C, Jacob D, Ella F, Milo G, Alex G, Gracie H, Franklin M, Eva M, Melia M-C, Bertie R, Holly R, Felix R, Alex R, Ethan S and Hannah S.



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
Wednesday 12th Thursday 13th Friday 14th and Monday 17th March	Scholastic Book Fair 3.15-4.00pm in Year one Classroom— entry via Y1 classroom door
19/03/25	Y5/6 Girls Football Finals
19/03/25	PTA Sound Bath event 6-7.30pm
20/03/25	Y3 Class Assembly for parents —2.45pm
21/03/25	Red Nose Day— wear 'red' non-uniform day suggested donation £1 On Arbor School Shop
01/04/25	Cyber Crime prevent session with Cleveland Police—Year 5 and 6
01/04/25	KS1 Movie night—bookable on Arbor: 3.15-4.45pm
02/04/25	Early Years at Monk Park Farm
03/04/25	Easter Craft session for parents to work with children 2pm
08/04/25	Y1 Class Assembly for parents —2.45pm
09/04/25	KS2 Movie night—bookable on Arbor: 3.15—5.00pm
11/04/25	PTA Decorated Eggs Competition/Rainbow Raffle Non-uniform day
14 - 25th April	Easter Break