

# Lever House Newsletter

Updating you with our school news

*Welcome.....Bienvenido.....Mwaiseni.....خوش آمدید.....*

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*дошли...Vitaite....Bienvenue*



## School News



### Pool to School

Our swimming pool is here and we have had a wonderful start to our swimming lessons! The children are absolutely loving it! It has been brilliant to see them in action—making excellent progress in their lessons while having so much fun. The feedback from the children and parents so far has been amazing.

Our Y5, Y4 and Y3 children will all be having lessons ending with a fun session and Y6 will also be having a fun session in the pool. The staff from Pro Sport Coaching who run our scheme, have noted how fantastic our pupils are at challenging themselves, particularly our non-swimmers, and how polite and well-behaved they have been. Special thanks to Mrs Brindle and Mrs Kearsley who have been organising and supporting the groups (whilst getting a little wet from the sidelines!).

### Friendship Week

We started off the week with Odd Socks Day to celebrate how unique we all are—thank you all for joining in! In our assemblies, we explored the importance of friendship, thinking about the qualities we look for in a good friend, and even learned the, 'Andy and the Odd Socks Song' together.



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LEARNING

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FUN!



Across the school, children took part in a range of wonderful activities: Oak Class created their own *friendship potions*, mixing together the ingredients that make a good friend; Cedar Class made and shared beautiful *friendship bracelets* with one another; UKS2 wrote thoughtful *friendship poems*, reflecting on kindness, trust, and teamwork; and EYFS focused on building relationships with new friends and learning how to play together effectively. It was a fantastic week filled with kindness, creativity, and connection!



### Children In Need

Thank you for supporting children this year with your spots and Pudsey merchandise! We raised £233.50. The link is still live so if you haven't yet donated then please head to ParentPay.

### ECO Committee

Our Eco Committee have been busy litter picking and setting up our hedgehog feeding station. The pupils enjoyed an assembly by a volunteer from the Leyland Hedgehog Rescue Centre - thank you Mrs Burton. She explained to the children all about the changes happening to our climate and the effects these are having on hibernating mammals.



### Our School Library

A huge shout out to our librarians who are doing a brilliant job at keeping our library organised, recommending books to our pupils and scheduling class visits to our library. Thank you to our wonderful librarians: Noah, Cooper, Karen, Joshua, Kaiden, Esther, Shay, Pearl and Macy.

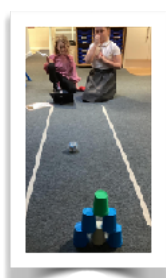
### Winter is upon us!

With the wintery weather here, please can we ask that children come to school with appropriate clothing. Please send your child with a winter coat every day and with a hat, gloves and scarf if necessary. All items of clothing **MUST** be named so they can be returned to their owners if they are found around school.



### iLeaders

A huge thank you to our incredible iLeaders who came in on our Open Day to represent our school and showcase their fantastic computing skills. Pearl, Amelia, Esther, Thomas, Mikaela, Joshua L, Emily, Rose, Coby, Oliver and Ellis all took time out of their day to demonstrate their green-screen work and coding talents to our visitors. We are so proud of you—thank you so much for being such brilliant ambassadors for our school.



## Open Classrooms & Class Assemblies

In the Spring Term we will see the return of our very popular Open Classrooms and Class Assemblies. These events provide a wonderful opportunity for families to visit their child's classroom, explore their learning and see them in action. Both were incredibly well attended last year and it was fantastic to welcome so many of you into school. Please find below the dates for Spring and Summer Terms.

### Open Classrooms:

EYFS	Monday 9th February	We're going on a bear hunt
EYFS	Tuesday 5th May	The hungry caterpillar/Life cycle of a butterfly
KS1	Monday 9th February	Paddington Bear
KS1	Monday 18th May	African Adventure
LKS2	Tuesday 17th March	Rainforest
LKS2	Tuesday 12th May	Roman, rampage.
UKS2	Monday 12th January	The Maya
UKS2 (Y5)	Monday 8th June	Climate change

### Class Assemblies:

EYFS	Friday 27th March	Here are My Heroes
Cedar	Friday 22nd May	African Adventure
Elm	Friday 20th March	Great Fire of London
Horse Chestnut	Friday 6th February	The United Kingdom
Maple	Friday 15th May	Rainforests
Oak	Friday 3rd July	Romans
Year 4	Friday 17th April	Hothersall Lodge
Year 5	Friday 23rd January	The Maya
Year 6	<i>Thursday</i> 12th March	Tower Wood

## What are we Learning?

### UKS2 History - Mayans



To launch our new topic all about 'The Ancient Maya' UKS2 looked at some Mayan artefacts and tried to work out what they were and how they might have been used during the Maya civilisation. The children



loved looking at the ancient calendar and masks.

### LKS2 - Active Planet

In LKS2 the children are learning all about our Active Planet! They have been investigating the Earth's tectonic plate movements and looking at the impact they have on the earth's surface. Next they'll be learning about volcanoes and earthquakes and exploring what happened in Pompeii.



### KS1 Geography - Apprentice Explorers

KS1 have been learning all about maps and directions. They have been exploring the points of the compass to navigate around the school grounds. They are building up their geography skill set to tackle 'Explorer Day!' later this term.

### EYFS - Celebrations

Our youngest children have been learning all about celebrations and traditions in our community and beyond. They read the story, 'Little Glow' and have then looked in more detail at Diwali, Hanukkah and next will be Christmas.



## Sports News

### Mindful Movements

Oak, Maple and Pine Class are thoroughly enjoying their mindful workshops with South Ribble Sports. The children have been learning calming breathing exercises and gentle stretches to help relax both their bodies and their minds. It has been wonderful to see them engaging so positively with these sessions.



### Dodgeball Competition

Some Year 3s and 4s enjoyed the dodgeball event at Worden Academy last week. They were very determined and played excellently. Well done Martha, Elijah, Jack, Oscar, Jonathan and Lula!



# Office News

## School Applications - Primary Places for September 2026

A reminder that the closing date for primary school applications is **Thursday 15th January 2026**.

## Volunteers Required

Mrs Macleod is on the look out for any parent/family volunteers who would like to help support her forest school sessions on a Friday. If this is something you are interested in then please email Mrs Macleod on: [amacleod@leverhouse.net](mailto:amacleod@leverhouse.net).



## \*Performance Time change\*

Please note that the time for the EYFS afternoon performance on 16th December has changed from 2:00pm to 2.30pm.

## Parent Pay

Can all parents please ensure that they keep their ParentPay accounts up to date throughout the year. Please don't hesitate to contact the school office with any queries.



## Fundraising made Easy!

Please remember to use [easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/) every time you shop online! Over 7,000 brands will donate, so you can raise FREE donations for us no matter what you're buying. These donations really help us out, so please sign up if you haven't yet. **It's easy and FREE!**



You can get started at [https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-lever-house-primary-school/?utm\\_campaign=raise-more&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=rm-en-n2](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-lever-house-primary-school/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_medium=email&utm_content=rm-en-n2)

# Christmas Events 2025

## November



Friday 7th All Day The Christmas Appeal Launch (cash 4 kids)

Friday 21st All Day The Christmas Appeal final day

Monday 24th All Day The Pool to School arrives

## December

Monday 1st All Day Will reveal our school Elf reveal himself?!.....

Wednesday 3rd After school FRIENDS 'Tea with Santa'

Friday 5th All Day FRIENDS Non-Uniform Day in exchange tombola items (email will follow)

Thursday 11th All Day EYFS/KS1 Christmas Jumper Day  
Christmas Lunch

Friday 12th All Day KS2 Christmas Jumper Day  
Christmas Lunch

Friday 12th All Day The Pool to School closes

Monday 15th 9:15am EYFS Christmas performance (Ash parents)

Monday 15th 2:00pm KS1 Christmas Performance (Y1 parents)

Tuesday 16th 9:15am KS1 Christmas Performance (Y2 parents)

Tuesday 16th 2:30pm EYFS Christmas performance (Beech parents)

Wednesday 17th All Day Chaplins Pantomime '

Wednesday 17th After school KS2 Concert - more details to follow

Friday 19th 3:20pm School Closes for the Christmas holiday at 3:20pm as normal. (No after school club)

**School reopens to all pupils on Monday 5th January 2026**