

9th February, 2024

Dear Parents,

Newsletter

Attendance Our attendance this week is 96.2% - below above our target of 97%.

Message from the Headteacher

It has been another week packed with learning and fun at Lealholm 😊 Our Hokusai printing in Heather class is looking fabulous, and the Barbara Hepworth inspired sculptures in Fern class are fantastic too!

I am very excited that our new kitchen has arrived this week and is being fitted in the half term - I can't wait until we can cook the things we have grown! I have also sealed the greenhouse this week so we will be ready to start growing again soon!

Have a lovely half term - hopefully snow free 😊

Mrs Z

Life at Lealholm

Heather Class

We are very proud of children in Heather class for their excellent published pieces which was based on our high-quality text, 'The Eye of the Wolf.' They were all excited about taking their writing home to share and we hope you enjoyed reading them as much as we did! Year 6 have done a fantastic job in maths this week and are very much enjoying mastering their work on fractions, decimals and percentages!

It was the final dance session this week with Poppy and it is great to see how much the confidence has grown in all of the children. A special mention goes to Dan for getting the award this week for having a go and joining in more and more each week! The children have concluded their work on the 'Power of the Monarchy' this week in history and as part of their final lesson they had to decide who they thought the strongest leader was, based on what we had learnt- Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth were the front runners! In science, the year 5 and 6 children were measuring the lengths of their shadows throughout the school day. This allowed them to identify what the pattern showed us about the position of the sun, at various times throughout the day. The year 3 and 4 children were completing an experiment to test the permeability of soil. These samples were taken from the local area and they were able to conclude that soil taken from the field was the most permeable.

Heather Class enjoyed listening to Chinese music and watching a Chinese dance today. They then used Garageband to compose pentatonic melodies inspired by Chinese New Year.



Fern Class

It has been another busy one - perhaps with the highlight being going on our first farm visit. Fern Class have been busy working hard, completing their English publishing - check out our Facebook to see their incredible writing. We are also sad to have finished our Transport through Time history learning. The children have loved this topic - so we have booked to go to the York Railway Museum next term where they can see all the trains we have been learning about. We think they might be giving other visitors a guided tour with the amount of knowledge they have! 😊

We also hope that you have seen our dance on Facebook - Poppy has worked with the children across the last few weeks to sequence all these moves!

Farm Visit

We would like to thank Claire and Martin Summerson for such a warm welcome to their farm. It was such a brilliantly organised trip as Claire had prepared lots of activities ready for us. Some of the children's highlights were testing the soil samples, seeing a Jersey cow being milked and looking at all the different animals they have. This was our first farm visit and we are looking forward to visiting lots more.

PE Kits

After half term, we would like children to come into school wearing their PE kits on the days that they have PE. The main reason for this change is it will maximise learning time and time will not be lost getting changed before and after PE. Children will have PE on a Monday and Wednesday. If you have questions about this, please do not hesitate to me.

After school clubs

After school clubs next half term will be as follow:

Monday: Multi-skills- Lewis- 3:30pm-4:30pm

Monday: Year 6 club- Miss Parkes- 3:30pm-4:30pm

Tuesday: Games and Colouring Club Mr Nightingale 3:30-4:30

FOLS Soup Lunch – 17th February 11.30 am – 1.30 pm Ley Hall

All money received will be to provide new musical instruments for the children. We hope to see you there.

Thank you to FOLS

We would like to thank FOLS for kindly funding our KS1 visit to the York Transport Museum later in the month. They are also contributing towards the Y6 Edinburgh visit and the Y3/4 Peat Rigg visit. Without their generous support we would not have so many exciting visits with the children – thank you FOLS!



Parents Evening 27th February

Please remember to book your appointment with your child's class teacher - now available via MCAS <https://www.mychildatschool.com/MCAS/MCSParentLogin>

Star of the Week

Fern Class Star of the Week in Fern Class is Ivy for her unbelievable determination with her writing. Well done Ivy - your publishing was incredible!

Heather class - We couldn't decide on just one star of the week so we had to pick two! Theo for his excellent story writing and making us all laugh out loud and Emily for her excellent resilience- always trying hard and never gives up!

Class Dojos

Fern Class

Red: Ivy
Blue: Eva
Green: Mia
Yellow: Annie

Heather Class

Red: Harley
Blue: Dan
Green: Rachel
Yellow: Emily

Endeavour Fun Club 🚀 February Half Term 🚀

This half term Fun Club is reaching for the stars and looking at all things space. We will be doing lots of space themed activities, baking and messy play.

Spaces are still available.

Our opening dates and times are:

Monday 12th Feb - Friday 16th 8am-6pm but on Fri 16th we will be closing at 4pm.

Book your sessions now to avoid disappointment!

Please ring 07795314255 for more information or to book sessions.

Celebrating 150 years of Lealholm School

FOLS are holding a meeting in school on Tuesday 27th February at 7.30 pm to discuss ideas – everybody is welcome to come along.

School Lunch Menu w/c 19th February

Monday: Mac & Cheese with Jam Doughnut Muffin

Tuesday: Sausage & Mash with Apply Crumble & Custard

Wednesday: Minced Beef & Dumplings with Chocolate Orange Mousse Pot

Thursday: Chicken Korma & Rice with Cheese & Biscuit

Friday: Fish Fingers & Chips with Berry Iced Bun

All meals served with seasonal vegetables.



We hope you all enjoy the half term break and look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 19th February.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Parkes & Mrs Togwell
 Teachers in Charge

Key Dates Spring Term

February

Saturday 17th FOLS Soup Lunch 11.30 – 1.30 at the Ley Hall
 Thursday 22nd Y3/4 Peat Rigg Parents Meeting 6.00 pm
 Tuesday 27th Parents Evening
 Tuesday 27th FOLS Meeting 7.30 pm at School 150th Anniversary

March

Friday 1st Cross Country KS2
 Wednesday 6th Author Visit - am
 Thursday 7th Y3/4 Hockey - pm
 Friday 8th Stay and Play 2.00 – 3.15 pm
 Tuesday 12th Eskdale Festival
 Friday 15th Training Day – Children not in School
 Wed 20th - Fri 22nd Y3/4 to Peat Rigg
 Thursday 21st Y5/6 Whitby Library

Monday & Wednesdays – Children to come in their PE Kits

KEY DATES LATER IN THE YEAR

13th – 15th May Year 6 SATs Week
 10th – 14th June Year 1 Phonics Screen Week
 22nd July YEAT Arts Extravaganza

Please avoid booking term time holidays, especially during assessment weeks.



Term Dates 2024

Return to school	Monday 19 th February
PD Day	Friday 15 th March, 2024
Last Day of Spring term	Friday 22 nd March 2024
First Day of Summer Term	Monday 8 th April 2024
May Bank Holiday	Monday 6 th May 2024
Half term	Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May
PD Day	Friday 12 th July, 2024
Last Day of Summer Term	Monday 22 nd July

Term Dates 2024-2025

PD Day	Monday 2 nd September
PD Day	Tuesday 3 rd September
First Day of Autumn Term	Wednesday 4 th September
Half term	Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November
PD Day	Friday 13 th December, 2024
Last Day of Autumn term	Friday 20 th December 2024
First Day of Spring term	Monday 6 th January 2025
Half term	Monday 17 th February – Friday 21 st February
PD Day	Friday 28 th March, 2025
Last Day of Spring term	Friday 4 th April, 2025
First Day of Summer Term	Tuesday 22 nd April, 2025
May Bank Holiday	Monday 5 th May 2025
Half term	Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May, 2025
Last Day of Summer Term	Monday 21 st July, 2025
PD Day	Tuesday 22 nd July, 2025

