

# News from Lealholm Primary school



# Fern Class

What a busy first week back! Already we are preparing for our Christmas performances, singing our songs and giving out some parts. We can't wait to show you all how hard we've been working in December! With a lot of elbow grease we have managed to get the mud off our boots, and carpet after our sponsored walk. A big thank you to all the families who helped along the way—the children had a fantastic time. After a week of firework poetry we will now be focusing on the wonderful story inside the villains. Expect pop up cards and hidden flaps coming home soon, as we explore the language and art styles used in this excellent book.

## **Student Librarians**

Our newly appointed student librarians have hit the ground running and are already making a fantastic impact in their first week. Here's what they had to say about their experience so far:

'We were so excited, and a bit shocked when we found out we'd been chosen. We didn't expect it, but we're really proud because we put a lot of effort into our applications and into helping out in the library'.

'We've enjoyed sorting out new posters and vinyl for our animal-themed display. The school loves animals, so we created a fun area with books for people to read'.

"One of the things we're most looking forward to is organising the stickers on the books. It'll help everyone know what type of book they're picking up, and we'll also be checking for any that are damaged or need replacing."

Their enthusiasm and creativity are already bringing fresh energy to the library.

### **Attendance**

Our attendance this week is 99.6%

# **Heather Class**

#### What a week Heather Class have had!

Firstly, we have our new librarians to thank for all their hard work this week – the library has been truly transformed and I cannot wait to see what you do next!

Swimming was fantastic and I've really enjoyed seeing each and every member of Heather Class becoming more confident in their swimming abilities. Mrs Wood's group completed some amazing lifesaving skills and took it really seriously!

Our sponsored walk was a bit windy at the very top but a short biscuit break and group photo soon made us forget! The children did fantastically and I am amazed at the amount raised. Thank you so much for your kind donations and for joining our walk to support us.

Finally, we had the opportunity to join Piers Torday at East Whitby School to hear all about his inspiration for writing as well as his new book. We were even lucky enough to receive two signed copies of his books to add to our recently revamped library!

Phew! Enjoy a well-deserved rest this weekend, Heathers!







#### Head teacher's Award

This week's head teacher's award goes to Jeffrey who has shown excellent dedication and enthusiasm in all that he does. His positive attitude, kindness, and hard work make him a wonderful example to others. Well done, Jeffrey!

#### **Headteacher's Message**

This week has been full of moments that remind us just how special our pupils are. On the sponsored walk, as we trekked up onto the moors, I saw the very best of our KS2 children. Their resilience and determination shone through, and it left me wondering if next year we might need an even bigger challenge! Thank you to all the parents/family members who kept us on track and to all those who have donated. Our sponsorship total so far is - £204.25!

I've also been hugely impressed by the enthusiasm of our new librarians. They are brimming with ideas and have already become a real credit to the school. It's wonderful to see their passion for reading making such an impact.

Finally, hearing such positive feedback from East Whitby about our pupils' brilliant behaviour was the perfect end to the week. It's always a proud moment when others notice what we see every day—kindness, respect, and a commitment to doing their best.

#### Poppy appeal

Thank you so much for your generous support of the Poppy Appeal. The children have truly embraced the spirit of remembrance and thoroughly enjoyed choosing their poppy items — it's been heartwarming to see their enthusiasm.

#### **FOLS Request**

If you are able, please send any donations for hampers into school. The hampers will be raffled at upcoming events. Thank you.

#### Volunteers

Do you have a passion for working with children and a few hours a week to spare? If so, we would love to hear from you. Please contact the office to arrange a meeting with our Head teacher.

# Star of the Week

Fern Class Star of the Week goes to Elsie – For her amazing effort in our reading lessons applying all her phonetic knowledge to help read increasingly tricky words

Heather Class Star of the week goes to James who has been a fantastic role model this week, showing great responsibility and perseverance while helping out during a busy lunchtime. Thank you, James, for your positive attitude and teamwork!

#### ClassDojo Winners - Fern Class

Blonde d'Aquitaine - Tommy Rhode Island Red - Pippa Blue Texel Sheep - Heather Bronze Turkey - Ada

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## Afterschool Clubs

**Tuesday** - Choir-Mrs Witham, 3.30-4.15pm **Wednesday** - Board games - Mr Clark, 3.30-4.15pm

#### Lunch Menu

Monday- Cheesy Tomato Pasta Bake. Tuesday- Chicken Korma with 50/50 rice. Wednesday – Minced Beef & Dumplings. Thursday- Hot Dog & Potato Wedges. Friday- Battered Fish & Chips.







# Information for the week after half term – 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2025

- Tuesday Y5/6 Basketball event at Whitby School
- Wednesday Stay and Play 2.00-3.00pm (2026 potential Reception joiners) Parents forum 3pm
- Thursday Music Lessons
- Friday LC Sport Session

# Pictures from this week















































#### **Key Dates – Autumn 2025**

Music Sessions – Thursdays LC Sport Sessions - Fridays

#### November

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Odd Socks Day (raising awareness of bullying)

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Y5/6 Basketball at Whitby School

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Stay and Play 2.00-3.00pm (2026 Reception Joiners)

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Swimming

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Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Children in Need

#### December

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Farm Trip

❖ Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Parent Forum – 3.00pm
❖ Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Panto at Whitby Pavilion
❖ Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Stay and Play 2.00-3.00pm

❖ Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Carol Concert at the Church – 2.30-3.30pm

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Dress Rehearsal Christmas Performance – 2.00-3.30pm
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Christmas Performance – 2.00-3.30pm / 6-7.30pm

❖ Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Christmas Lunch

❖ Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party – 1.30-3.00pm

#### Term Dates 2025 - 2026

- Oct half term Monday 27th Friday 31st October 2025
- Last Day of Autumn Term Friday 19th December 2025
- ❖ Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January PD Day
- First Day of Spring Term Tuesday 6th January 2026
- Feb half term Monday 16th February Friday 20th February 2026
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March PD Day
- Last Day of Spring Term Friday 27th March 2026
- First Day of Summer Term Monday 13th April 2026
- May Day Monday 4th May 2026
- May half term Monday 25th May Friday 29th May 2026
- Last day of Summer Term Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026





