

# News from Lealholm Primary school



## Fern Class

Another busy, snowy week in Lealholm and Fern class have dealt with it all brilliantly.

Their descriptions of monsters inspired by 'Inside the Villains' have been planned and we are almost ready to present these and enter them in the young writer's monster mayhem competition. This writing will go hand in hand with are art topic looking at the mark making of Maurice Sendak. Year 1 and Reception have also had further phonics assessments and I'm happy say are making wonderful progress towards us all blending by Christmas. Year 2 need to say a big thankyou to everyone who donated money to buy one of their stories from the village shop. We have raised over £26. We will be deciding how this is spent soon, because unfortunately it's not quite enough money for the horse Year 2 so dearly want.

Thank you again for all your help this week with the disruptions due to weather it has been much appreciated and we hope normal service can resume from Monday.





## **Attendance**

Our attendance this week is 91.1%

# **Heather Class**

We've had an exciting week in Heather Class! We kicked things off with a Christmas play rehearsal, and I can't wait to see the final performance. I'm so impressed by how many of you already know your lines, and the songs are being sung with such enthusiasm!

On Wednesday, we braved a very windy day at Whitby Pavilion, where we learned all about Internet and social media safety. The children came away bursting with new facts and are now confidently "online aware."

Finally, we are all very excited to begin our DT unit on pneumatics and moveable fairground rides. We've already had great fun exploring the mechanisms with our new class "pet" — a sample Jack-in-the-Box named Keith!

I am sure they will enjoy their new Lego Computing unit next week!

Enjoy the snow and stay safe!









#### Head teacher's Award

This week's head teacher's award goes to William for his constant effort in all he does. He always strives to do his best in every subject going above and beyond to add that little extra.

## **Headteacher's Message**

It's been a busy start to the week! Our children have enjoyed their swimming sessions and Year 5 and 6 had the fantastic opportunity to attend the Internet Safety Roadshow at Whitby Pavilion – an important reminder of the many ways we work to keep children safe in our school.

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Witham, who is leaving for personal reasons. We wish her all the very best for the future. To ensure continuity and minimise any impact during this transitional period, we have strong plans in place for the class until January. In addition, we are actively recruiting a teacher to join us and work with this wonderful group of children until Mrs Clay returns. Our priority is to keep learning consistent and provide the support and stability the children deserve.

Finally, I'm incredibly excited about next Tuesday's basketball final – yet another example of Lealholm children excelling in sport. We'll be cheering them on!

#### **Weather Closures**

Thank you to you all for your patience this week with the weather closures. As I'm sure you understand, the safety of all those driving to school is paramount. A huge thank you to our friend in the village who kept us updated with local road conditions.

#### **FOLS Request**

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

## M Celebrating Success M

Fern competed at the Young Musicians event in Whitby last Friday with her wonderful singing. She did both herself and the school proud, receiving high marks and glowing praise from the judges for her performance. Well done, Fern – a brilliant achievement!

## **Star of the Week**

Fern Class Star of the Week goes to Millie for all her help during the snow day. Working and sharing with all children and helping the adults prepare and tidy up throughout the day. Thank you Millie.

Heather Class Star of the week goes to Liv for her fierce determination and her insistence on going last in the basketball competition at the pavilion on Wednesday. She watched the other players intently to spot a pattern in the sports lights, and her focus paid off! She tapped an impressive 14 lights and became the overall winner!

### ClassDojo Winners - Fern Class

Blonde d'Aquitaine – Bobbie Rhode Island Red - Jos Blue Texel Sheep - Nina Bronze Turkey - Naomi

#### ClassDojo Winner - Heather Class

Blonde d'Aquitaine – Annie and Fern Rhode Island Red - Mia Blue Texel Sheep - James Bronze Turkey – Adam

#### Afterschool Clubs

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

Date changes due to Y65/6 Basketball final

#### **Lunch Menu**

Monday – Pizza & Potato Wedges.

Tuesday - Spaghetti Bolognese.

Wednesday – Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding.

Thursday – Pork Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce.

Friday – Fish fingers and Chips.







# Information for next week – 24th – 28th November 2025

- Tuesday Y5/6 Basketball Final at 3.30pm, Whitby Leisure Centre Board Games afterschool club 3.30-4.15pm - date change due to Basketball final
- ❖ Wednesday Choir after school club 3.30-4.15pm –date change due to Basketball final
- Thursday Music Lessons
  Game of Actual Life KS2
- Friday LC Sport Session

# Pictures from this week













### **Key Dates – Autumn 2025**

Music Sessions – Thursdays LC Sport Sessions - Fridays

### **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





