

# News from Lealholm Primary school



# Fern Class

We have been busy finishing off our inside the villains writing this week and sending them off to the young writers monster mash competition along with our monster designs. Well done to all the children for their great ideas and increasingly fantastic writing. Reception have been hard at work practicing their blending skills in time for our next phonics assessment in the coming weeks. We aim for all children to be reading words by blending before Christmas. Thank you for all your help at home towards this, reading their books together just like we have been in class.





## **Attendance**

Our attendance this week is 98.8%

# **Heather Class**

In science this week we have been learning about forces. Years 3 and 4 made some excellent magnet slings to see the effects of repelling and attraction. Years 5 and 6 meanwhile have been exploring the effects of gravity by making 3D models of the globe and showing the forces acting on us all.

We also had our first lesson using the LEGO storm computing program. We followed the instructions and made some brilliant motorised vehicles.

## Year 5 & 6 Basketball Final

In the face of adversity, we truly show our colours—and on Tuesday, Year 5 and 6 did exactly that. Facing a strong Airy Hill team, our basketball squad displayed outstanding determination, energy, and skill. For most of the game, they led with confidence and teamwork, only narrowly missing out in the final moments when Airy Hill's experience (they have an afterschool basketball club) and larger pool of players made the difference.

A special shout-out to Solomon, who was absolutely phenomenal—Kobe Bryant, watch this space! But what made me most proud wasn't just the performance; it was the sportsmanship. Our subs and parents applauded every Airy Hill score, and we all cheered as they collected their trophy. That's what true sporting spirit looks like. The whole school is proud of each and every one of you. Well done, team!







#### Head teacher's Award

This week's head teacher's award goes to Ivy for working incredibly hard in all subjects. It is wonderful to see how your effort is progressing your learning.

## **Headteacher's Message**

This week has been full of energy and creativity across the school! Heather Class have settled brilliantly with Mrs Lawn, Mrs Carson (*Game of Actual Life*), Mrs Woods and myself.

Our Year 5 and 6 pupils impressed us all at basketball—read more about their achievements below. Meanwhile, Heather Class have been crafting delightfully spooky horror stories inspired by *Room 13*.

Preparations for the Christmas performance are well underway, and I was privileged to hear our Year 2 innkeepers rehearsing—they already bring humour and vigour to their roles!

A special mention to Tommy and Hugo, who have been regular visitors to my office this week, sharing updates on their incredible collaboration building farm machinery. What a fantastic example of teamwork and creativity!

# **FOLS Request**

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

# Christmas Jumper Day - 05.12.2025

To celebrate the children's visit to the panto on Friday 5th December, children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper with their usual sports kit (PE will run as normal in the afternoon).

If your child doesn't have a jumper, FOLS have kindly provided a selection in various sizes that can be borrowed. These will be available from the school office starting Monday next week and returned in the last week of term.

If your child does not wish to participate they are free to come in their usual sports kit.

# Star of the Week

Fern Class Star of the Week goes to Patrick who has been so kind in helping other children throughout the day. He helps finds coats and zips them up, is first to start tidying the classroom and is always quick and ready to begin his learning.

Heather Class Star of the week goes to Emily for practicing her lines and performing so confidently. You are setting a great example for us all.

#### ClassDojo Winners - Fern Class

Blonde d'Aquitaine – Bobbie Rhode Island Red – Henry Y Blue Texel Sheep - Nina Bronze Turkey - Elsie

#### ClassDojo Winner - Heather Class

Blonde d'Aquitaine – Bea Rhode Island Red - Jeffrey Blue Texel Sheep - Peter Bronze Turkey – Olivia

#### **Afterschool Clubs**

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

#### **Lunch Menu**

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







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

- ❖ Monday Farm Enhancement Wilks Farm Please can you send your child with wellies/waterproofs in case of poor weather
- Thursday Music Lessons

Parent Forum – 3pm

Friday - Panto - Whitby Pavilion (morning session) Christmas jumper day

# Pictures from this week















#### **Key Dates – Autumn 2025**

Music Sessions – Thursdays LC Sport Sessions - Fridays

#### December

❖ Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Farm Trip − 1.00-3.20pm
❖ Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Parent Forum − 3.00pm
❖ Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Panto - 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**

- 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





