



Welcome to Year 6

Aims

- To provide you with information about the year ahead
- To help you support your child at home
- To signpost you to important information to be aware of
- To answer any questions you may have

Our School Vision

- For you are **all** the children of God by faith in Jesus Christ. Galatians 3:26
- Striving for excellence; caring for the individual



Term dates

AUTUMN TERM

Inset days: 2 & 3 September 2024

Start of term: 4 September 2023

Inset day: 25 October 2024

Half term holiday: 28 October 2024 - 1 November 2024

Christmas holiday: 23 December 2024 - 3 January 2025

SPRING TERM

Start of term: 6 January 2025

Half term holiday: 17 February 2025 - 21 February 2025

Occasional day: 14 March 2025

Easter holiday: 7 April 2025 - 21 April 2025

Inset day: 22 April 2025

SUMMER TERM

Start of term: 23 April 2025

May Bank Holiday: 5 May 2025

Half term holiday: 26 May 2025 - 30 May 2025

Inset day: 2 June 2025

Summer holiday: 24 July 2025

Class team



Ms Ozkaya



Mrs Pearson



Mr Newing



Mrs
Cresswell

Class Teacher

TA

Mon, Tues and
Wed all day
Thurs and Fri
mornings

Sports Coach

Wednesday
morning

Music
Teacher

Wednesday
morning

Weekly timetable

Year 6 Timetable

	8:50-9:00	9:00-9:30	9:30-10:30	10:30 - 10:45	10:45-11:00	11:00-12:00	Afternoon Sessions		
Monday	EMT	Reading	Maths		spellings	English	Computing	RE	Worship 2:45pm
Tuesday	EMT Homework In	Reading	Maths Boosters		spellings	English	Art/DT	PD/French	Worship 2:45pm
Wednesday	EMT	Singing Assembly	PPA - Music		spellings	PPA - PE	Maths	SPaG Booster	
Thursday	EMT	Reading Booster	Maths		Spelling test	English	Science		Worship 2:45pm
Friday	EMT	Reading	Maths		spellings	English	History	PE	Celebration 2:45pm
Lunch 12:00 – 1:00							Home Time 3:15pm		

The children will need their PE kits on Wednesdays and Fridays.

School Uniform

- ▶ Uniform is compulsory for all children from Reception to Year 6. It is optional for Nursery pupils but most parents choose for their children to wear uniform.
- ▶ In keeping with the government's guidance on making uniform affordable, the compulsory part of our uniform is the sweatshirt or cardigan bearing our logo. These can be ordered from Peter Spivey and either collected or delivered to your home: <https://www.peterspivey.com/leverstock-green-school>.
- ▶ Grey trousers, skirts, shorts, polo shirts, etc. can all be bought from most large supermarkets.
- ▶ Our PTA has a very well-stocked second hand uniform collection. Most sizes are available for a very small donation (usually 50p.)
- ▶ Shoes must be plain black and polishable; trainers should not be worn during the day except for PE and play times. Lace-ups if children can tie them up, otherwise Velcro or buckles.



PE

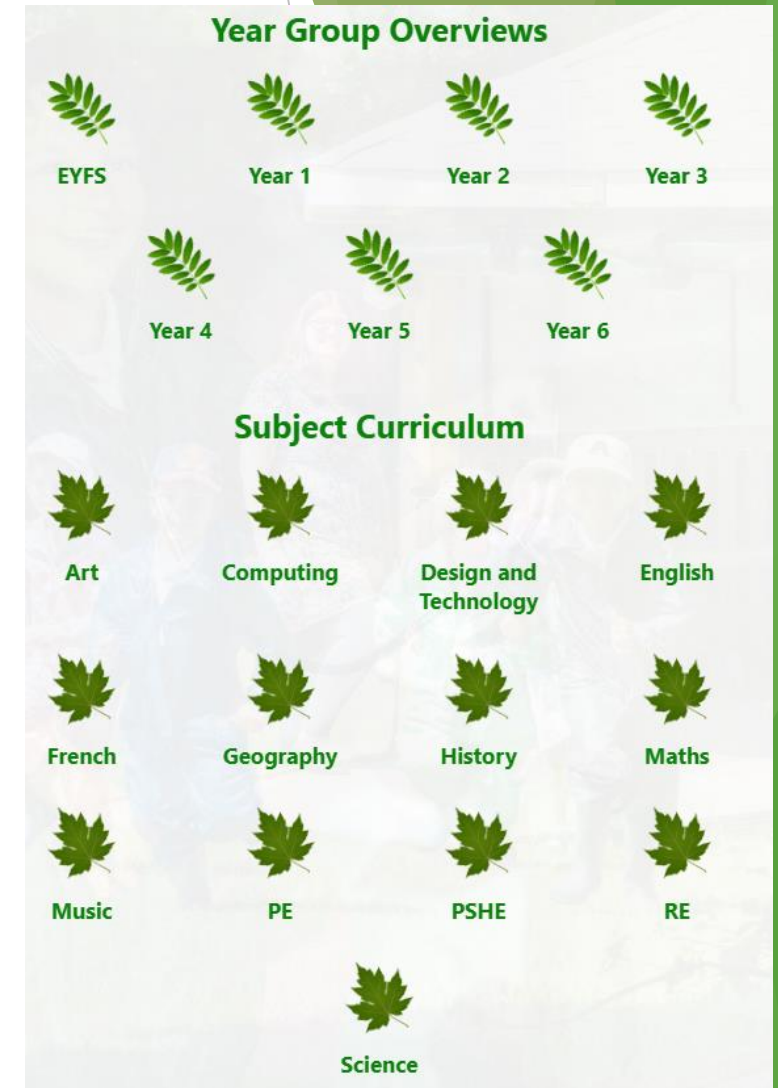
- ▶ Plain white t-shirt
- ▶ Plain black shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms
- ▶ Plain black track suit top or jumper / Leverstock green PE top
- ▶ Black trainers

Curriculum

- ▶ Our curriculum intent is built on the premise that we ‘are all the children of God’ (Galatians 3:26) and as such, our curriculum experience is supported, scaffolded and extended according to children’s individual needs.
- ▶ In the curriculum section of the school website, you will find curriculum overviews for each half term. The overviews will tell you what your child is learning about in each subject.

[Link: Curriculum | Leverstock Green Church of England Primary School](#)

- ▶ In Early Years, we follow the statutory Early Years framework.
- ▶ In Years 1-6 we follow the National Curriculum.
- ▶ There are also subject overviews for you to see the learning journey your child will follow across the school for each subject.
- ▶ If you have any questions about the curriculum, please speak to Miss Newman (Assistant Headteacher- Teaching and Learning)



Reading Year 3 - 6

Children will have daily teaching of reading comprehension strategies. These will largely be based around a whole class text of an appropriate level for the child's class. They will be aimed at improving the children competence in the following areas:

- Fact retrieval
- Word meaning
- Summarising information given
- Predication
- Authorial intent for language choices
- Comparisons within the text/ with other texts
- Making inferences from information given

These may be supported in some cases with additional small group comprehension and fluency groups.

Children will be provided with books appropriate for their ability. This could be a banded book, or if they are a free reader we have allocated books based on difficulty of word choice, complexity of narrative, length of book etc, These have been informed by recommended reading lists. As they are not banded to include specific sounds based on phonetical understanding, they are from a much broader range and therefore children may find some easier than others. If they require a change of book then please make a polite note in the child's reading record and this can be organised.

Home learning

Key stage	Tasks given
EYFS	Weekly task delivered on Tapestry based on learning in class Phonics support sheet/ key sounds as appropriate
KS1	20 minutes reading x5 per week TTRS from Spring term (Year 2 only) Spellings (ladders/ trains) One piece of maths home learning (MyMaths) based on learning given or as a pre-assessment (Y1 from Spring term). One piece of 'creative' home learning' per half term.
LKS2	20 minutes reading minimum of x5 per week TTRS minimum of x5 per week for 10 minutes Spelling Shed – all online One piece of maths home learning (MyMaths) based on learning given or as a pre-assessment. One piece of 'creative' home learning' per half term to replace the core subject home learning.
UKS2	20 minutes reading x5 per week TTRS daily for 10 minutes Spelling Shed – all online Two pieces of home learning (maths/ English or other where relevant MyMaths/ CGP books) based on learning given or as a pre-assessment. One piece of 'creative' home learning' per half term to replace a piece of the core subject home learning

Statutory Assessment

► **Y6 SATs (WB: 12.05.25)**

Year 6 SATs information

Monday, May 12th:

English Grammar and Punctuation (paper 1) - 45 minutes

Spelling (paper 2) - 20 minutes

Tuesday, May 13th:

English Reading - 1 hour

Wednesday, May 14th:

Mathematics (Paper 1 - arithmetic)- 30 minutes

Paper 2 - reasoning - 40 minutes

Thursday, May 15th:

Mathematics (Paper 3- reasoning) -40 minutes

Clubs

- ▶ We run a range of clubs for our children to attend.
- ▶ Some are run by school staff and others by external providers.
- ▶ More information about clubs is available on the school website:

[School Clubs | Leverstock Green Church of England Primary School](#)

Trips

- ▶ Children will be offered many opportunities to learn outside of the classroom through trips out, visitors coming in and specialist workshops.
- ▶ In order for us to take the children on trips, we will kindly ask for volunteers to help.
- ▶ The school office will send letters out in advance to inform you about an upcoming trip.

Trips booked so far:

Harry Potter: 26.11.24

Residential: WB 19.05.25

Communication

► Arbor

Arbor is the school's main management information system and holds your child's personal data and the details of all parents/carers. This includes personal details, health data and school meals. You will be asked to pay for school meals, milk, swimming and trips via Arbor. Arbor is also our means of sending bulk communications.

► Arbor - In App messages

Messages will arrive via Arbor for general information. These are free to the school so will be non-urgent in nature. These can be for the whole school or specific classes. For example, reminders to pay for trips or launching our new website.

Email

We use emails to communicate significant amounts of information, usually with attachments. These are issued from Arbor for bulk communications or directly from the admin@leverstockgreen.herts.sch.uk email for direct communications. Examples would be the termly extra-curricular clubs letters, details of trips and the weekly newsletter. Copies of all letters are also uploaded to our website under the Parents & Carers section.

SMS

We use texts to communicate urgent information to parents. For example, reminders that school is closed or that a trip is running late for pick-up. There is a cost to the school for these, so we use them for time-sensitive communications only.

Website

We use the website to communicate what has been happening in each class via the Class Pages (in the Pupil Area) and to issue homework. The website also holds lots of useful information regarding clubs, the Zone, policies, on-line forms, SEND, support for parents, community information and links to other sites and systems. Latest news and copies of all letters including newsletters are also uploaded to the website.

Newsletters

Newsletters will provide a summary of the weekly news and events each Friday afternoon. Calendar dates can also be found on the newsletters, along with attendance statistics, ready to learn points, PTA info and details of letters issued to parents that week. Newsletters are also uploaded to the website each week, in the News and Events section.

Reading Records

General notes about Reading, reminders to bring books in or missing homework.

Twitter

Reminders, photos and general information about the day-to-day life at school are communicated on Twitter (@LeverstockCE).

Communicating with us

Absence messages	Absence requests	General queries	SEND
Contact the school office via telephone (Ext 1) to leave an absence message.	<p>This should be requested in writing to the headteacher with as much notice as possible.</p> <p>Please note general holiday requests during term time will not be authorised.</p>	Contact the school office via telephone (Ext 2) or email admin@leverstockgreen.herts.sch.uk	<p>Contact the school office via telephone or email senco@leverstockgreen.herts.sch.uk to book an appointment with Mrs Curtis.</p> <p>Mrs Curtis' direct line is Ext 3.</p> <p>Mrs Curtis' working days are Tuesday and Wednesday and she is out of class each morning.</p>

At least one member of the Senior Leadership Team will be on the playground (before and after school). They can pass on messages and answer any questions you may have.

Attendance & Punctuality

All pupils are expected to be in class by 8:45 each morning. Anyone arriving after 8:50 must report to the school office.

All absences must be explained verbally or by letter/email from the child's parent/carer. Absence from school is normally only authorised for the following reasons:

- ▶ sickness;
- ▶ unavoidable dental or medical appointments;
- ▶ days of religious observance;
- ▶ exceptional family circumstances e.g. bereavement;
- ▶ sitting examinations for secondary transfers or other external examinations.

To leave details of your child's absence please call the School Office on 01442 406520, select option 1 for Absences. Please call before 8:45am on the morning of the absence and provide your child's name, the reason for their absence and details of the illness if appropriate.

Please also inform the school office if your child needs to leave school during the day for an appointment.

The school monitors attendance regularly and when a child's attendance falls below 90% will contact parents/carers.

Children who have consistently good attendance will receive rewards termly.

Further details of authorised and unauthorised absences, persistent absence and the school's monitoring process can be found on the school website.

[Attendance/Absence | Leverstock Green Church of England Primary School](#)

Absence regulations have changed!

As of 19th August 2024:




- There is no legal entitlement for parents to take children on holiday during term time (and there never was!)
- A Fixed Penalty Notice can be issued for 10 sessions unauthorised absence in any 10 school week rolling period (equivalent to 5 days unauthorised absence)
- First FPN is £80 (if paid within 28 days) or £160
- Second FPN is £160 (within 3 years)
- No option for a third FPN
- Prosecution can result in fines of up to £2,500 or 3 months imprisonment

Research shows:

- KS2 pupils not meeting the expected standard have an average 4.7% absence (compared to 3.5%)
- KS4 (GCSE) students achieving grades 5-9 have an average 3.7% absence compared to 8.8% for those who achieve less well

So, every day counts!

Safeguarding

		
Mrs. V. Burgess Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)	Miss B. Newman Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL)	Ms. E. Munro Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL)

- ▶ At Leverstock Green School, Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.
- ▶ If you have a concern about a child's safety or welfare, please speak to a member of the above Designated Safeguarding Team.
- ▶ If your concern is out of hours, please contact either of the following:-
 - Police (999 or 101)
 - Children's Services (0300 123 4043)
- ▶ If someone different is due to collect your child, please ensure the school office are aware. We are unable to release a child to anyone other than parents/carers without your prior consent.

E-safety

- ▶ Some of the things to be aware of:
- ▶ Posting unkind messages (Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, WhatsApp, Tik Tok, text, etc., etc.)
- ▶ Uploading images (inappropriate images and using images without permission)
- ▶ Uploading films onto YouTube
- ▶ Accessing adult sites via Instagram, WhatsApp and on mobile phones
- ▶ Playing age-inappropriate games online

E-safety

- ▶ Please be vigilant
- ▶ Please talk to your child about these issues and set a good example yourself
- ▶ Experience has shown that while we do everything we can in school to teach the children about staying safe online, the message needs to be reinforced at home.
- ▶ Please see E-safety links on school website (includes information for parents and children)

Inclusion/SEND support

- ▶ Inclusion is at the heart of our school ethos.
- ▶ We ensure that adjustments are in place to ensure each child can flourish.
- ▶ If your child has SEND, you will be invited to attend a review meeting alongside the parent consultation meeting.
- ▶ If you are concerned about your child's needs and would like further support, please contact Mrs. A. Curtis (SENDCo)



Medical needs

- ▶ If your child has medical needs, please ensure the school office are informed.
- ▶ If your child has complex medical needs, we will ensure your child has a Health Care Plan. These are reviewed annually.
- ▶ Please note that it is parents/carers responsibility to ensure all medication (including Epipens and inhalers) are in school and in date.
- ▶ We require the label with the dosage requirements from the pharmacist on all prescribed medication.
- ▶ We are **not** able to administer medication which has not been prescribed by a doctor. We do not permit over the counter medication in school.
- ▶ Please ensure the school office has at least two contact numbers available so we can contact someone if your child is unwell.

Secondary applications

- ▶ Parents and carers of Y6 pupils should have received information about the secondary school application process.
- ▶ The deadline for applications is 31st October and all applications must be submitted online at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/schoolsdirectory

Support for parents/carers



- ▶ The local DSPL provides regular communication for parents/carers with free support/courses in the area.
- ▶ This information can be found on our website:

[DSPL Support/Courses | Leverstock Green Church of England Primary School](#)

Please note: this page is updated regularly so please check frequently.

- ▶ As a school, we are part of the outreach support provided by Dacorum Family Services.
- ▶ Our link family worker is Juliet Eustace. She can be contacted on 07780 114079.
- ▶ Flyers about workshops are shared on the 'DSPL Support/Courses' area of the school website and Newsletter.

Pupil Premium

You can apply for Free School Meals if your circumstances change.

The school may receive money to support your child/children (called Pupil Premium).

Pupil premium eligibility depends on the family circumstances and income.

Pupils may be eligible for pupil premium if their parents receive certain benefits, such as Income Support, income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, or the guaranteed element of Pension Credit.

Pupil premium enables the school to offer subsidised trips to individual pupils (e.g. the Y6 residential), subsidised music lessons, free clubs and other optional extras on top of free school meals.

Pupil premium lasts for six years and follows the child, even if they move schools.

Parent forum

- ▶ The Parent Forum is a partnership between parents and the school. It is a valuable way to share ideas, views, concerns and make suggestions for improvement.

The aims of the Parent Forum will be to:

- ▶ Work together to improve the education provided for our children
- ▶ Share information, knowledge and skills
- ▶ Meet in a mutually supportive environment
- ▶ Further improve communications between parents/carers and staff/governors



The rep for Class 6 is Mrs Robson

Questions

