News & Updates

Leavesden Green School JMI & Nursery

Friday 13th November 2026

Remembrance day

On Wednesday, all of the staff and children took part in a two minute silence at 11am to 'remember' those who fought in WW1 as well as those who have died in wars and conflicts, honouring the service and sacrifice of the armed forces members from Britain and the Commonwealth and other countries.











11th Hour

11th Day

11th Month

Bhaktivedanta Manor Workshop



The children enjoyed a fascinating visit from a guest speaker who introduced them to Hinduism and its rich traditions and beliefs.

They learnt about the Hindu belief in 33 million gods and goddesses and explored some of the main deities. To bring their learning to life, some children dressed up as different Hindu gods and goddesses, while others performed a wonderful play retelling the story of Rama and Sita.

The children also had the opportunity to see and learn about a range of religious artefacts. To conclude the session, our visitor demonstrated an Aarti ceremony, an important Hindu ritual of worship and devotion.

It was a wonderful, interactive experience that helped the children develop their understanding and appreciation of Hindu beliefs, traditions and culture.

Warner Bros. Workshop

Year 6 had the exciting opportunity to take part in a screenwriting workshop led by the Warner Bros. Education team. The children learnt how professional screenwriters develop ideas and turn them into scripts for the big screen. They explored the different elements of screenwriting, including creating a strong hook, introducing characters, developing a problem and building towards a solution. The children then put their learning into practice, having a go at creating and writing their own stories using the structure of a screenplay. It was fantastic to see their creativity, imagination and storytelling skills come to life as they thought like screenwriters themselves!

Thank you so much to Warner Brothers for this fantastic opportunity!

Children In Need

What a wonderful splash of colour we had in school this morning! All of our children and staff came dressed in their brightest and most colourful clothing to help raise awareness for Children in Need.



Everyone looked absolutely fantastic, and it was lovely to see so many bright colours around the school as we came together to support such a worthwhile cause.

There was no expectation or requirement to make a donation, but if you would like to contribute to Children in Need, you can do so by clicking HERE.

🏃 🏃 🏃 🏃 Leavesden Runners 🏃 🏃 🏃 🏃

Leavesden Park Run

This year we are going to keep attending the final weekend of the month as our Leavesden Park Run. Our first Park Run will be:

SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER AT 9AM

Where is it? Leavesden Country Park - click here for the map.
Who can take part? Any child aged 4–14 years old (Children do not need an adult to run with them)
How much does it cost? Completely ***free!***
For more information, please visit the Junior ParkRun page by clicking here.

Events for 2026/27

We are planning to attend and take part in the following local running events this year:

Watford Junior Challenge - Saturday 21st March 2026

We are also looking into the logistics of entering the school for the **London Mini Marathon** - Friday 23rd April, offering our runners the chance to run a section of the London Marathon and cross the actual finish line. WATCH OUT FOR MORE INFORMATION!

Pre-Loved Uniform

If you have any good quality logoed uniform that you no longer need, please donate it to us (via the school office) so we can wash and resell it to other families. Many thanks!

Upcoming Birthdays

- ★ Imogen, River class
- ★ Hassan, Sapphire class
- ★ Noah, River class
- ★ Zain, Phoenix class



Super Learners

We see many super learners across school every week; it's a real challenge to just select two children for this prestigious award. Here are some of the super learners that stood out this week in their learning:

Ocean	Explorers	Gade	Snowdon	Harmony	Melody	Griffin	Phoenix
Aria Lewis	Mia Joshua	Levi Esra-Norah	Nathan Dion	Charlie R Prithivi Reggie Krisztina	Shayen Cody Isla	Vinnie Gabbie	Zain Zayiyr
Emerald	**Sapphire**	**Astronaut**	**Galaxy**	**Forest**	**Bridge**	**Mountain**	**River**
Logan Mia Phovishnaa	Jamie Nellie	David Alice	Olivia Chantelle	Anita Frank	Dany Imogen	Noah Varnavy	Rayyan Masum

Attendance

We are all striving to be in school every single day; every moment of learning counts! 95% is the minimum expectation for every child. Did we collectively achieve that this week?

EVERYONE	Explorers	Gade	Snowdon	Harmony	Melody	Griffin	Phoenix
95.5%	89.7%	93.1%	95.6%	92.7%	94.6%	95.5%	98.7%
Emerald	**Sapphire**	**Astronaut**	**Galaxy**	**Forest**	**Bridge**	**Mountain**	**River**
91.9%	93.9%	97.9%	96.7%	96.1%	99.3%	95.9%	97.5%

Dove	Jetstream	Navajo	Baron
93.9%	95.2%	95.8%	97.4%

Success outside of school

Kai from Galaxy class, recently moved up to stage 8 in his swimming. Well done Kai!



If your child/ren achieve or accomplish something out of school, please share it with the office so that it can be celebrated in the newsletter - admin@leavesden.education

Reception 2027 Applications

Applications are now open to apply for your child's Reception place for September 2027. Applications are to be made via Hertfordshire County Council. To apply, please click **HERE.**

The deadline for applications is Friday 15th January 2027.

Be Bright Be Seen

Darker nights and mornings are here. Pedestrians and cyclists can often become invisible to road users. Hertfordshire County Council's' "Be Bright Be Seen" campaign is an important message for all members of the school community.



Remember to wear bright coloured clothing for you and your children to be seen!

Christmas Tech and Stem Camp comes to Leavesden!

We are very excited to announce that we have secured a Tech camp to come to our school during the Christmas holidays on the following dates: **21st - 23rd December & 29th December - 31st December at 9am - 1pm (age 5-12 years).**



There will be lots of exciting activities including:

- ★ ***Robotics***
- ★ ***Coding***
- ★ ***Lego Challenges***
- ★ ***Virtual Reality***
- ★ ***Minecraft Redstone***
- ★ ***Movie Making***
- ★ ***3D Creations and much more!***

Spaces are limited! To book, click HERE.

🎁 **EXCLUSIVE CHRISTMAS OFFER!** 🎁

Book 3 days and receive 10% off! OR just £25 per day.

✅ They also accept childcare vouchers and Tax-Free Childcare. If your child is eligible for ***Targeted FSM***, they have a limited number of FREE fully funded spaces available as part of the local council's HAPpy Holiday, activities and Food programme! HAF bookings will go live on the week commencing 23rd November - keep an eye out for the link very soon!

Christmas Lunch

To order your child a Christmas lunch, please click on the correct link below:



Nursery children - Order HERE.

Reception - Year 6 - Order HERE.

The deadline for pre-orders is Thursday 26th November.

Please note, if the pre-ordered meal is not taken, i.e, due to your child being absent or if they change their mind on the day then you will still be charged as the meal has already been ordered.

Christmas Carol Concerts

Monday 14th December - Thursday 17th December

As we approach the Christmas Carol concert week, we wanted to inform you that **all** children are able to wear their Christmas accessories (hats, tinsel, headbands etc..) with their normal full school uniform. These accessories are optional.

If you haven't already signed up and confirmed your attendance (***2 Tickets available per family***), you can do so by clicking on the links below for your child's year group:

Nursery

Monday 14th December at 9:15am - *Click HERE to book*

Reception

Monday 14th December at 2:45pm - *Click HERE to book*

Year 1 - Year 3

Tuesday 15th December at 9:15am - *Click HERE to book*

Tuesday 15th December at 2:30pm - *Click HERE to book*

Year 4 - Year 6

Thursday 17th December at 9:15am - *Click HERE to book*

Thursday 17th December at 2:30pm - *Click HERE to book*

CHRISTMAS FAIR!

Friday 11th December @ 3-30pm - 5:30pm

Entry Via the After school club doors (to the left of the School Office)

Parent Lunch Dates for this Academic Year

Astronaut Parent Lunch - Wednesday 18th November

Sign up by clicking HERE.

Galaxy Parent Lunch - Wednesday 2nd December

Sign up by clicking HERE.

Emerald Parent Lunch - Wednesday 6th January

Sign up by clicking HERE.

Sapphire Parent Lunch - Wednesday 20th January

Sign up by clicking HERE.

Griffin Parent Lunch - Wednesday 3rd February

Sign up by clicking HERE.

Phoenix Parent Lunch - Wednesday 24th February

Sign up by clicking HERE.

Harmony Parent Lunch - Wednesday 10th March

Sign up by clicking HERE.

Melody Parent Lunch - Wednesday 17th March

Sign up by clicking HERE.

PTA - The Friends of Leavesden Green

November	December
Christmas Wreath Making Workshop Saturday 28th November, 11am till 1pm (details below)	**Non-Uniform Day** Friday 4th December **Christmas Fair** Friday 11th December

🎄 Christmas Wreath Making Workshop – Come and Join Us!

Fancy getting creative and making your very own Christmas wreath? We're delighted to be teaming up with **Bits and Bobs by Bobbie** for a festive Wreath Making Workshop! 🎀✨ Join us on **Saturday 28th November, 11am–1pm,** at Leavesden Green JMI School for a lovely couple of hours of Christmas creativity, where you can make your own wreath to take home and proudly display!

🎁 **Early Bird Offer – Save £5! -** The workshop is **£35 per person,** but book before **Friday 13th November and enjoy £5 off**, bringing the price down to just **£30 per person!**

Whether you're coming with friends, family or treating yourself to a little festive time out, we'd love you to join us! To book your place, simply email friends@leavesden.education and we'll send you all the details. We can't wait to get into the Christmas spirit with you! 🎄💚

Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies

A friendly reminder to all of our Year 6 families that TODAY, Friday 13th November is the deadline to order your child's Leavers' hoodie!

My Child's Art - *Christmas cards, keepsakes and more!*

How to view and order:

1. Visit https://mychildsart.co.uk/order

2. Log in using the following details: Username: Leavesden & Access Code: 2wxjxn22

3. View your child's artwork, explore the products available and place your order!

🎁 **EARLY BIRD OFFER – SAVE 10%! Order by Wednesday 18th November and enjoy 10% off using discount code LeavesdenX26.**

The portal will remain open until **31st December**, so there's plenty of time to choose something special and order a special keepsake. Every order helps support our school. 💚

🎄 Save the Date – Christmas Fair 2026! 🎄

Christmas is getting closer and we're already getting excited! **Our Christmas Fair is back on Friday 11th December, 3.30–5.30pm and we'd love you to join us!**

Expect Santa's Grotto, Christmas crafts, shopping stalls, raffle prizes, festive treats and plenty more Christmas fun for the whole family. Invite your friends and family along too, and help us make this year's fair a really special afternoon for our school community. We'll be revealing lots more over the coming weeks, so keep an eye on our newsletters, social media and the Christmas Fair flyers that have come home with your little ones!

Can you lend us a helping hand?

Our Christmas Fair wouldn't be possible without the wonderful parents and carers who volunteer their time! Whether you can help set up, run a stall or game, or lend a hand with tidying up afterwards, even a little bit of your time makes a huge difference. If you're able to help at any point during the fair, please let your Class Rep or a member of the PTA team know. We'd love to have you involved! 💚

Can You Help With a Raffle Prize?

We're also on the lookout for prizes for our Christmas Fair raffle! From vouchers, experiences and hampers to products, gifts or services, every donation helps us create an exciting raffle while raising even more for our school.

Perhaps you can donate something, your workplace could help, or you know a local business that might like to get involved? If so, please get in touch at friends@leavesden.education . Every prize, big or small, is hugely appreciated!



Easy Ways to Support the PTA (Outside of Events)

Easyfundraising – Give Back This Black Friday!

Planning to shop the Black Friday or Cyber Monday sales? Don't forget to shop through Easyfundraising and turn your Christmas bargains into FREE donations for Leavesden Green JMI and Nursery!



More than 8,000 retailers will donate when you shop through Easyfundraising, including big names such as John Lewis, eBay, Etsy, Tesco, Argos, M&S, Boots and many more.

Whether you're buying Christmas presents, toys, clothes, electricals or simply grabbing a bargain, it costs you nothing extra – the retailer makes the donation to our school. Already signed up? Remember to go through Easyfundraising before you shop! Not joined yet? Search for "Leavesden Green JMI and Nursery" on Easyfundraising and help turn your Black Friday and Christmas shopping into funds for our children 💚

Parents Lottery - A fun and easy way to support our school while being in with a chance to win!

- For every £1 ticket, 60p is donated to the PTA for the school
- The more people who play, the more our school earns
- Anyone can take part - parents, grandparents, neighbours, friends and family

If just 50 people buy one ticket a week, we could raise over £1,500 a year — every single year!

💛 Donating via Arbor 💛

Did you know you can donate to the PTA at any time through the Arbor app?
Whether it's a small one-off amount or a regular contribution, every penny goes directly towards funding extra resources, activities and experiences for the children.

Your generosity helps us make a real difference — from new books and classroom supplies to fun community events like the Christmas Fair and school discos.
Simply log into Arbor, find the Donations to PTA option, and give what you can — it all adds up!

🤝Connect with the PTA 🤝
📷Instagram: Follow us on IG
📘Facebook Page: Follow our FB Page
📘Private Facebook Group for Parents: Parents Only
📧Email: friends@leavesden.education

For recent and current SEND information, please click here

Do you need help with the current cost of living?

Hertfordshire County Council have put together a website with practical advice, money guidance and information about food and energy support, helping you find the assistance you may need this autumn and winter.

Click HERE to see what support is available to you.



Dates & Reminders

Wednesday 18th November - Astronaut Parent Lunch (12:45pm - 3pm)

Friday 20th November - Children In Need - *Children to wear as many colours!*

Tuesday 24th November - Griffin class visit to the shops

Wednesday 25th November - Phoenix class visit to the shops

Wednesday 2nd December - Y2 Visit to All Saints Church

Friday 4th December - PTA Non-Uniform day (further details to follow)

Tuesday 10th December - Y5 Wonderdome Experience

Friday 11th December - PTA Christmas Fair

Monday 14th December - Nursery Carol Concert **@**9:15am

Monday 14th December - Emerald Class Carol singing at Lancaster Court Care home

Monday 14th December - Reception Carol Concert **@**2:45pm

Tuesday 15th December - Y1/2/3 Carol Concert **@**9:15am & 2:30pm

Wednesday 16th December - Christmas Dinner Day for all year groups

Thursday 17th December - Y4/5/6 Carol Concert **@**9:15am & 2:30pm

Thursday 17th December - Sapphire Class Carol singing at Lancaster Court Care home

Friday 18th December 2026 - Last day of the Autumn term (1.30pm finish)

Y5 & Y6 Children are not allowed to walk home and must be collected from their classrooms.

Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January 2027 - Christmas holidays

Monday 21st December - Wednesday 23rd December - Christmas Tech Camp at our school

Tuesday 29th December - Thursday 31st December - Christmas Tech Camp at our school

Monday 4th January 2027 - Inset Day - School Closed to Children

Tuesday 5th January 2027 - First day back at school for all children

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For more diary dates for the rest of the academic year - please click HERE to direct you to our school calendar page on our school website.

Attendance - Important information

Attendance & Punctuality

Every day counts

Good attendance and punctuality builds confidence, progress and opportunity.

Your support helps your child to be happy, safe and succeed.

Reporting Absences



Absences should be reported as soon as possible.

- You can either call, email the school office or leave us a SMS message on Arbor.
- If we don't hear from you, we will call you or send an SMS message.
- If we still do not hear from you, the absence will be marked as **unauthorised** and may result in us carrying out a **welfare check.**

Punctuality

- The school gates open from **8:40 until 8:50.**
- After this time, you will need to bring your child round to the school office to sign them in, this will then be **registered as a late.**
- If your child is signed in after **9:05,** this is marked as an **unauthorised late.**

Attendance Meetings

If there is a pattern of absences or lates, and including unauthorised lates, we will contact you to arrange an **Attendance meeting,** to **identify what root causes might be leading to this and offer support.**



Appointments

- **Doctor, Hospital, and Emergency dental will be authorised.**
  (Evidence of these may be requested)
- **Routine dentist and routine Optician appointments will be unauthorised,** as these can be made outside of school hours and during half terms.
- **Routine hospital and GP appointments should be made outside of school times where possible.**



Thank you for your continued support!

Together we can make a positive difference.