



Newsletter Friday 9th January 2026

Dear Parents & Carers,

This is a very short newsletter to wish Happy New Year to everyone, including our new children and their families. It has been lovely to see you all this week. Even though we have had some very cold and icy days, we seem to have escaped the worst of the weather and can already see *slightly* lighter mornings and afternoons.

Big Garden Birdwatch 23-25 January 2026

We have signed up for this but, if you would like to



take part at home, then please go the [Big Garden Birdwatch](#) at the RSPB website.

National Year of Reading

On the 12th January, Pete Murray, the author of the Mokee Joe books will be visiting our school and speaking to all of Key Stage 2!



He is a wonderful entertainer and the children will have the opportunity to spend some of their Christmas money by buying signed copies of his books!

Important Reminders:

Absence –please let school know if your child is going to be absent and for what reason.

PE Uniform: Outdoor PE uniform is a plain, dark hoodie and bottoms. Please avoid logos!

Gates: Please avoid using the car park to access nursery or reception.

Welcome to:

Elodie, Harvey, Mason, Ophelia, Sienna and William in Nursery as well as George and George in Year 2, Lola and Pippa in Year 5 and Freddy in Year 6. We are sure that they will be very happy at Leyburn!

Dates for the Diary:

Monday 12th January – Pete Murray in school

Tuesday 13th January – Pete Murray book signing

Wednesday 27th January – Pantomime in school

Friday 30th January – National Puzzle Day

w/b 2nd February – Dodgeball for KS2

Friday 6th February – NSPCC Number day

Friday 13th February – Break up for half term

Monday 23rd February – TRAINING DAY

Tuesday 24th February – Children return to school

Wednesday 25th February – Edinburgh trip for Year 6 ; Skip2Bfit in school

Thursday 26th February – Chinese Ribbon Dance workshop