



Press Gang pupils

Hello and welcome to The Leys first ever newspaper written by children. Your newspaper team this year are children from: Tolkien, Lewis, Kipling, Shakespeare and Dickens. We love writing and want to keep you informed with what's been happening in school, topical events as well as interviews and reviews. The editor of the newspaper is: Mrs Etienne.

Mrs Etienne was asked a few questions by the members of Press gang. The first question was:

Why did you start Press gang? When asked Mrs Etienne replied with " I felt there was further opportunities to help children develop creative writing opportunities."

The next question that was asked was:

Why have we been chosen to be part of Press gang? Mrs Etienne responded with " I wanted to work with older children to help develop their writing skills and to establish a half termly newspaper. In the future I also hope to work with younger children."

The last but not least question was:

Where did you get the idea to start Press gang from?" Mrs Etienne replied with "You are amazing group of children (gang), and Press is another word for journalists."

By Aimee and Eloise

Amazing Author comes to town!

A few weeks ago, an author visited The Leys Primary and Nursery School and his name was E.R Reilly. He read out excerpts of some of his books and he also set us some writing challenges, like finishing one of his stories (Tall Tales).

We went around interviewing children to find out if they enjoyed his visit. Alex Waszczuk (aged 10) said that it was very entertaining and Oliver Jeans (aged 10) said that he was very interesting. All the children in KS2 thought that his books were very interesting. He has written 13 books, popular ones including Rashnu and The Lookouts series.



By Beck B and James M

Happy Harvest

By Lilly and Ana



On Monday, the 22nd of October, we celebrated Harvest with some songs and readings. For this tradition, we asked all the children to bring in canned foods like fruit and vegetables and many non-perishable goods to give to the food bank for those who are less fortunate than us. Did you know that about 820 million people don't get a proper meal per day but thanks to your help we can change that to a much smaller number. These poor people don't have food because in places like Africa, it's too hot for them to harvest and then they may not have any water and their plants could dry up and that is why you should be grateful for the amount of food that you are given by your parents/guardians. Harvest at The Leys was celebrated with many different performances that all the children enjoyed so thank you everyone who came to watch it.

Rugby Special Report

Do you like rugby? If you do this is the perfect news report for you. Read on for a fantastic report all about rugby league fixtures and mind blowing, jaw dropping facts.

Rugby league fixtures

Currently, in first place in the rugby league is Exeter, leading in to second place is Saracens. In the top five are Exeter, Saracens, Gloucester, London Wasps and Bath. In twelfth place is Worcester which are doing the worst so far.

Did you know?

Did you know that 16 year old William Webb Ellis started the distinctive running feature of rugby game in 1876, four years after his death. Rugby is known for the use of oval shaped balls and this sport is very unique.



Is bikeability wheely worth paying for?

YES!

Most people think this, who went to bikeability (obviously!!). Bikeability is worth paying for because you can learn hand signals, road signs, riding on the road, etc ...

You could tell by how happy the children were that they enjoyed Bikeability. Children went to Bikeability to learn skills like how to keep safe and when to cross streets at the right time.

Here are some quotes from some year five and year six students:

"Even though it was £25 it was wheely worth it for all things you learnt" Ini.

Dylan Wenn said "It was awesome and it was worth the £25."

That should have answered your question...

By Amrit and Katie



Crazy Crucial Crew

On the 12th September, Year 6 went to Crucial crew which is located in Bowes Lyon Center, Stevenage. Crucial crew is an activity course and presentation show that consists of multiple tasks that might be helpful in your everyday lives. Some activities the Year 6 did are; a fire hazard game, learning about the recovery position, The Samaritans run a game about who to ask in an emergency, the railway show and many more. over 50% of people loved this highlight of Y6.

By Erin and Oliver K



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Head Humphries Headlines

In this edition of Head Humphries Headlines we have a Q and A with the one and only headteacher of the school...Mrs Humphries!! We asked her some questions and these are her answers... Also we have a first edition special Of what teachers think of her! So sit back,get comfy and enjoy!

Questions and answers!!

1.)Q What is the best part of your job? A The best part of the job is spending time with all the great students and the caring teachers.

2.)Q What's your favourite subject? A I have to say English!I love how students can communicate by speech and their writing.

3.)Q What is your favourite sport?A Good one..I like rugby lots and watch it almost every time.

4.) Q How long have you been here? A I have been to this beautiful school for coming up to 7 and a half years!

5.) Q What is your dream car? A My dream car?Definitely an Audi Convertible!

6.) Q Do you have a favourite book/books? I do and it'll have to be Beloved by Toni Morrison.

Head Humphries Headlines

Funny stories!!

Here's one funny moment when I first started teaching,I was 23,My first class of 24 children.One of the students,his name is Ari,was 5 and really really liked me.It was a few terms later when another student asked if Ari was going to marry me when he was older!Ari's reply was" NO I'M NOT SHES GOING TO BE DEAD WHEN I'M OLDER!".

Teachers Thoughts

"She's kind,hard working,good listener!"
-Dr Christie

"Lovely lady,tries her best to look after everyone and helps the school progress."
-Mr Byford

"Kind,hardworking and approachable!"
-Miss Lamont

"Incredibly dedicated to the school,passionate on children achieving their very best,hard working,cares for the pupils."
-Mr March.



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Will Brexit Ever End?

The Brexit situation has been a struggle for both the people of the UK and for the Prime Minister, Theresa May, who had stepped up after David Cameron's resignation. After the votes had been counted and it was certain that we were Leaving the European Union for the first time ever!

It's less than a year until Britain leaves the European Union and Brussels *still* has an unsigned deal with Theresa May. She has survived "The most ravenous month yet," One newspaper said. Brexiteers in South of England have rethought their votes and want to have another poll to stay in the EU. Reports have stated that the Prime Minister has her Cabinet right where she wants them, in a stressed circumstance, we all think. This revote could end up in a lot of trouble with the EU and could eventually lead to a forced Brexit if the European Union decides that Britain have gone too far in to back out even after the citizens of the UK have voted to remain in the European Union.

But what can our Prime Minister do about it? Well there's backing out of Brexit of course, then there is finally signing a deal or she can leave Brussels deal unsigned and leave the EU. Let's hope she reacts soon, as the deadline is fast approaching and there is chaos following the decision of Brexit in the Houses of Parliament.



By Oliver Jeans and Alex Waszczuk.

SPORTS AMBASSADORS

By Travis and Samuel

Sports Ambassador are 10 people Mr Byford picks, who are excellent throughout their P.E lessons. You can only become one if you are in Yr 6.

In order to get picked, you have to write a letter to persuade Mr Byford to pick you for the challenging role.

Only the sports ambassadors are allowed in and out the P.E cupboard and getting out and putting away of the equipment. This is a strict rule as a lot of the equipment is getting lost too often.

All of the phenomenal sports ambassadors get paired up in twos and go and play games in the KS1 playground once every week. Each term you will change sport activities.

As part of your training, you go to a secondary school called Barnwell and there you discuss with the other sports ambassadors from your school what role you are going to have for the year. [You can swap roles half way through the year]. You also get time off school to do the training. Once you have decided upon our sports roles, you engage in some sports activities.



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