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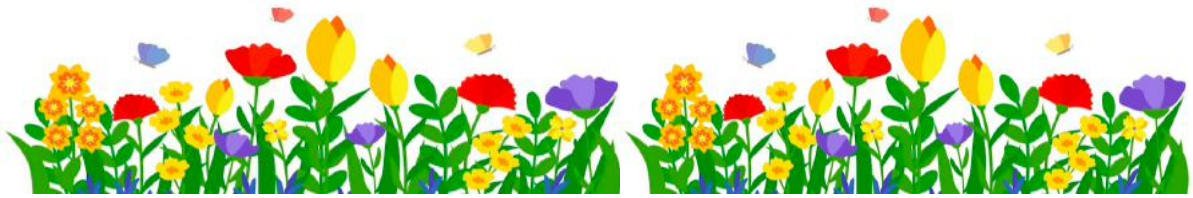
**Welcome to the Summer Terms Press Gang Edition 2022.
This term has been full of many exciting events and we
are excited to tell you all about them!
This half term's press gang consists of children from
Years 5 and 6.**



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Commonwealth Games

Many of you may know that the Commonwealth Games are starting soon. It starts Thursday the 28th of June and ends on Monday the 8th of August. Each class was



given a different nation to focus on- using research and art work to present their nation in a creative way. We put all the work we have been doing in a class and created a

commonwealth fair. All children got to visit this fair as well as parents at the end and beginning of the school day. It was so good to see all of the amazing work!

By Alys Chambers



Fit Kidz

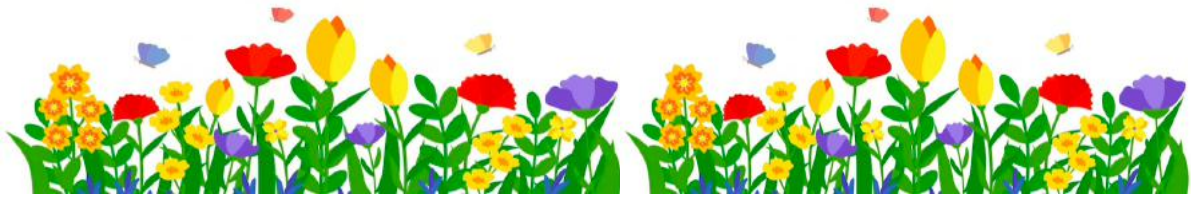


On Wednesday, 13th of June 2022, we had a special visitor called Mr Ball. Mr Ball brought in some machines to practise rowing; and they were THE BEST! They

Y5 Greek Day

In year 5, we have been learning all about Ancient Greece! We have learnt about Greek Gods, Greek buildings, how they live, what democracy was like, the difference between Sparta and Athens and much more!

Last week, Y5 held a greek fair to showcase all of the amazing work- all children across the school were invited as well as parents.



had 2 settings on them: a fish game - where you had 4 minutes to get lots of points (by eating fish) and the second setting - a 1 minute timer where it counted how many miles you rowed. According to Maya and Jayson, "It was hard and confusing at first but once I progressed and got used to it, it was really fun and understandable."

The highest score-for the fish game- out of Year 5 (Lewis) was Jacob who scored a shocking 1200! The highest score out of Rosen was Patrick, with a score of 1005 and the highest score out of Tolkien was Asad with a whopping score of 1245!

Well Done to all of Y5 who worked so hard and Thank you to Mr Ball for coming and teaching us!

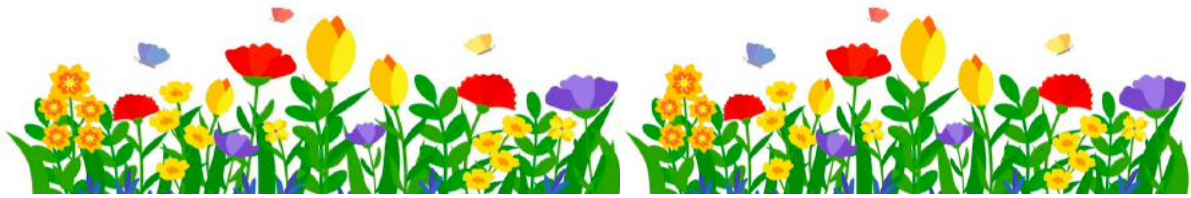
By Phebe Woolf

The pupils and teachers were dressed up - some were creative and used white bed sheets to make their costumes!

The day went really well and Y5 enjoyed teaching the other children all about Ancient Greece.

By Elizabeth Ryan





Peer Mediation Training

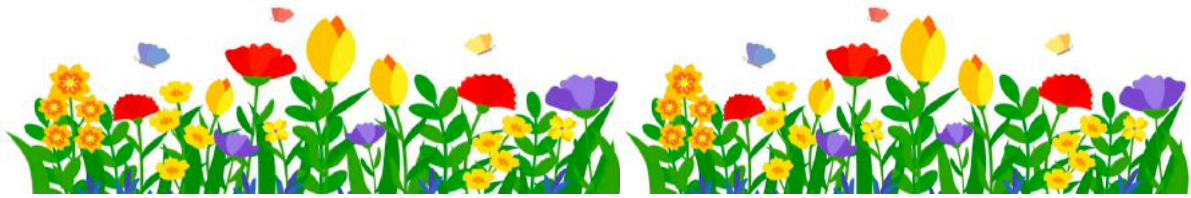
Six positive pupils from each year 5 class were chosen to be peer mediators. A peer mediator is someone who helps someone or a number of people with problems or arguments. They need to have strong empathy so that they can put themselves in the place of both participants and help those involved to do the same. In order to help the Peer mediators develop those skills, they had 2 whole days of training, this was not only a time to learn the skills involved but it was really good fun.

On the first day of training, they learnt about what a peer mediator is and even had examples of peer mediation taking place. On the second day of training, we had a 3 hour lesson, practising and role playing different scenarios and learning how to handle different situations. For example if two pupils have had an argument and if someone starts to cry or get angry we have learnt how to help calm the situation and try to help resolve it. They have also practised the rules of agreement which pupils who come to us have to agree to. The peer mediators believe that this will be beneficial for the school and help pupils of all ages resolve conflict and help their wellbeing.

By Aseda

STEAM week

This Summer at The Leys, we have completed a STEAM week all about Earth and our local area. Each year group and class could explore in any way they wished. Year 3 explored our school grounds and spent time looking at our 2 oak trees, comparing the sizes and learnt all about the life cycle of the trees. Year 4 explored how we can design a city from scratch while taking into consideration what sort of infestration we



would need in a new city such as hospitals, train stations and sports stadiums. Year 5 have been using their creative minds for steam week! These minds were used to draw slides and climbing walls ect for our trees, the hut and more. One person in Year 5 drew two trees we had on our field and added a bridge leading to a big and swirly water-slide! How creative is that!?

By Phebe Woolf

Careers Month

In the month of June, The Leys took part in Careers month- this was to help raise the career aspirations of pupils at our school.

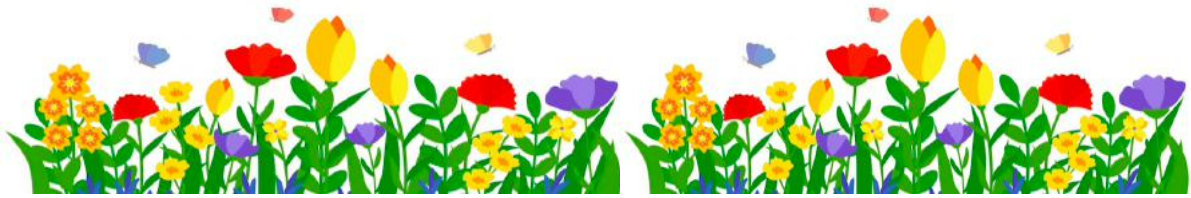
To achieve this, we had visits from a biologist, a footballer(league 1), a police officer, a local business owner and a doctor.

These professionals came and visited our school, they gave talks about their careers to the children and the children were able to ask questions.

Doing this allowed the children to widen their horizons about different careers and paths they can choose from and it gave an insight into how to get into different careers.

Miss Whittiker stated “I enjoyed learning about the different types of careers and seeing just what jobs are out there.”

By Veda Kishore



Healthy Living Week

At The Leys we celebrated Healthy living week on the 24th-30th of May. We used it as a chance to get everyone focusing on having a healthier and more sustainable diet. It also helped to raise awareness about making choices every day that will keep us fit physically, mentally and spiritually.



Did you know that during healthy living week there is a theme for every day?

- Monday: Focus on fibre - for meals and snacks
- Tuesday: Get at least 5 A DAY - put plenty on your plate
- Wednesday: Vary your protein - be more creative
- Thursday: Stay hydrated - fill up from the tap
- Friday: Reduce food waste - know your portions

By Veda

Dogs Trust



Dogs trust is a rehoming and dog rescue charity and is known,

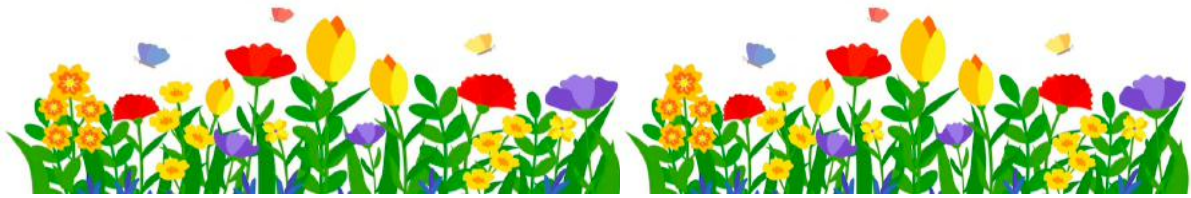
until 2003, as the national canine defence league. On the 21st of June, a dogs trust member came to each class and told us about their company, he told us how to treat a dog and how to care for the different kinds, he

2021 - 2022 League & Cup



Both the Girls and Mixed football teams have made an excellent impression this year!

Throughout the year, the Girls football team worked so hard..and all the hard work was worth it because they won the



also told us how to pet a dog we don't know: you first ask the owner if your allowed to stroke it, then you stand back and put your hand out, if the dog comes up and sniffs your hand, you can stroke it. It was so much fun and we learnt a lot of things!

By Alys Chambers

cup! They played Giles in the finals and beat them 4-2!

The Mixed team also showed great hard work and resilience! They showed their great resilience as previously they had lost 3-1 to Codicote, but they didn't give up, they continued fighting and in the next game they drew 2-2. But, because of this they got extra time and then they beat them in the penalties! It was Amazing!

Both Teams are so happy with the results!!

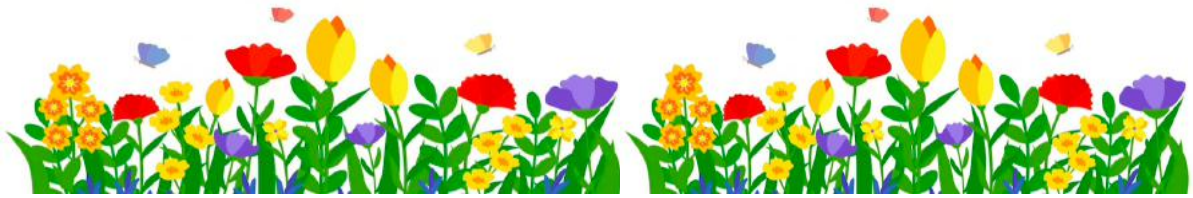
By Leah

Zeraffa Giraffa

At the beginning of the term, the whole of the Leys Primary and

Nursery school were focusing on the book Zeraffa Giraffe. Each year group completed different types of writing, for example Year 5 and 6 wrote a newsletter article on the arrival of Zeraffa into Paris whereas





*Year 1 wrote great information reports about Giraffes.
The work seen across the school has been amazing!
Especially the Art Work!*

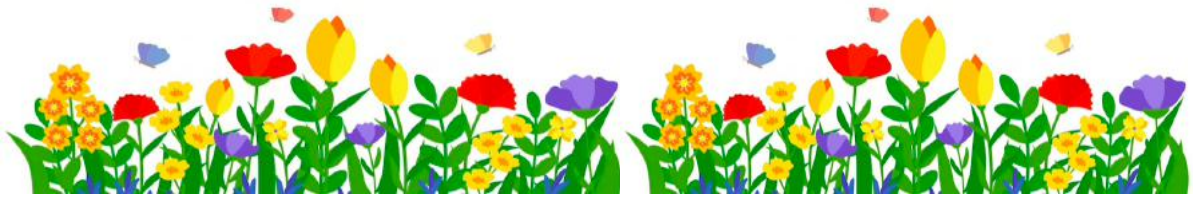


*But are you wondering
what this book is
about?*

*This book is about a
young giraffe that was captured and taken to Paris as
a gift for the Pasher. It is all about the journey of the
magnificent animal and how the Giraffe and his
companion made it on a 2 and a half year journey! It is
actually a true story!*

Bye Kai Cheung





French Week

French Week is a celebration of all things French. At The Leys we celebrated French week on 9th-13th May.



Each class took part in different activities including: French Nursery Rhymes, tasting pancakes, learning facts about the Eiffel Tower and other famous landmarks. We also got to try french bread and jam and it was delicious!

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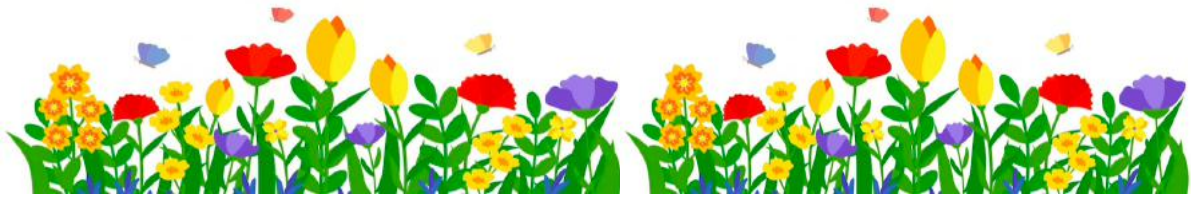


Year 2 and Year
6 SATS



We would like to congratulate year 6 and year 2 because this Summer they completed their SATS. It must have been hard and scary but they did it! Well Done!

By Kai Cheung



Young Voices

On a day like no other, members of the young voices gang had a memory of a lifetime! They went on a coach to Wembley-in london, travelling over 1 hour and 30 minutes! Once they got there, they had a 2 hour rehearsal of all the songs they were going to sing, such as: the Beatles medley, the Pop medley, the muppets medley, the Lion king medley and way more!

After the Children practised, they got to eat their lunch and have a nice break just before they went back to actually perform in front of the parents! Once the time came, colourful lights, beautiful voices and awesome songs were heard! It lasted until 23:30!

It was such an amazing day!!!

By Phebe Woolf





Wymondley Woods

All the year 4's got to go on a school trip to Wymondley Wood. They had a lot of fun and they got to do many things - a scavenger hunt, den making, bonfires, tug of war, and many other things like playing in the fields and doing rock climbing. The year 4's were allowed to go into the woods around Wymondley Wood, everyone loved to hang around the woods and loved having been able to camp in the dorm rooms there. Overall, all the year 4's had an amazing time!

By Elizabeth

Summer Challenge!!!!

WEEK 1: Try a new sport- any sport- a sport you have never tried before!

WEEK 2: Become a nature detective- how many different insects can you find?

WEEK 3: Pick up a needle and thread- can you use a needle and thread to make something or fix something?

WEEK 4: Read a new book- Can you try a book that you wouldn't usually read?

WEEK 5: Cook up a storm- Can you bake a cake with your family?

WEEK 6: Explore somewhere new- Can you visit a place you have never been before?

If you manage to complete all of these, write all about it and give your writing to Miss Garner. You could even add some pictures/photos!