



The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning Today ...Leading Tomorrow

Friday 15th November 2024

DATES COMING UP! (please note all dates are subject to change)

- 18 Nov Steam Week & Road Safety Week
- 19 Nov - Year 1 school trip
- 21 Nov Y5 - School Trip
- 22 Nov Non-uniform day PTA
- 22 Nov Movie Night
- 25 Nov Flu vaccine visit
- 28 Nov Parent anxiety workshop 8.45-10am
- 29 Nov Enterprise Day
- 29 Nov Flu vaccine visit
- 2 Dec Occasional Day**
- 4 Dec Y3 History Fair 1-3pm
- 5 Dec Power of Reading 9 - 10 am Y3 - 6
- 6 Dec Y6 History Fair 9.-10 am
- 6 Dec Whole School Stay and Play 2.30 - 3.15 pm
- 9 Dec Reindeer visit
- 10 Dec Dance club - perform to parents
- 11 Dec SEND parents workshop 10.00 - 12.00 o'clock
- 16 Dec Come and Play Nursery 10.45 - 11.30 & 2.00 - 2.45
- 16 Dec Come and Play Reception 2.45 - 3.15
- 17 Dec Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
- 18 Dec Christmas Party 1-3pm
- 19 Dec iRock concert at 2.30pm
- 19 Dec Leys Voices to perform to parents
- 20 Dec Last Day of Term School finishes at 1.30 pm
- 23 Dec - 3 Jan 2025 Christmas holiday
- 6 Jan 2025 - Inset Day
- 7 Jan - New Term Starts

Kindness Award

Kindness Award Ruby

Headteachers Awards

Year 3	Tanith, Aadhira
Year 4	Oakley, Bella
Year 5	Olivia F, Joshua, Elsie, Reece, Robert, Ani
Year 6	Lola H

Attendance Wheel of Reward

Each week in assembly the wheel will be spun for the **most improved class attendance**



Be here to have a go!

This week's winners & rewards:

Kerr -Friday non uniform

Soundar - Choose your timetable day

Zephaniah - Movie and popcorn

Malala - Class disco

Star of the Week

Class	Pupil
Murphy	Hunter
Benjamin	Oscar D
Kerr	Alby F
Bryon	Yousuf
Donaldson	Alex
Soundar	Carla
Dahl	Adelina
Gavin	Grayson
Mante	Hedrian
Morpurgo	Esme
Riordan	Remii
Zephaniah	Nathania
Malala	Kobi
Blackman	Esther



Times Tables Leaders
Well done to...

1. Tanya
2. Maggie
3. Fraiser

For most improved time (playing in the Studio area) over the past 7 days



Whole school attendance target
= 97%
Whole school attendance this
week = 95.5%
Best class attendance this week
= Riordan



WELLBEING



Just before half term staff heard that the school had been awarded the new **Emotional and Mental Wellbeing in Schools Mark**, gaining an ‘**advanced practice**’ grade having scored 57 out of 63 on the assessed criteria against the Department for Education’s 8 principles of a whole school approach to promoting mental health and wellbeing. Staff and governors were delighted for this recognition of all the hard work which has gone into supporting the children and their families for many years.

Well Done to Year 3 who all received a certificate for entering the 500 word BBC Competition!



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Performances at the Leys!

This year we are doing a big push on oracy and public speaking. As a result we will be giving each class at least 2 opportunities to perform. Please see the timetable below to see when your child will be performing. It would be fantastic to see you there to support them.

Autumn 2

EYFS- Christmas Stay and Share :

Reception-Monday 16th December 2.45 pm

Nursery -Monday 16th December 10.45 am & 2 pm

Dance club - Performance for parents 10 December 3.15pm

Year 1 Christmas performance Thursday 12th December 9.30 am

Year 2 Christmas performance Thursday 12th December 2 pm

IRock 19th December 2.30 pm

Leys Voices - Performance for parents 19th December 3.15pm

Winter Uniform

- White polo shirt.
- Black trousers OR black skirt OR black pinafore dress (No leggings)
- Red cardigan OR school sweatshirt OR school red fleece OR Black hoodie
- White/ Black school socks.
- Black school shoes
- Tights (Red/ Black)

PE

- Plain white t-shirt
- Plain black shorts
- Plain black jogging bottoms
- Black plimsolls or trainers (plain white/ black are preferred)
- Red cardigan OR school sweatshirt OR school red fleece OR Black hoodie



We are looking for volunteers to read with children in the class. You could help children on one to one basis to give them confidence in their reading and communication skills.

If you are interested please call the school office on 01438 31 41 48.

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Is your child due to start Nursery or Reception in September 2025?

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021 you must apply to start an infant or primary school (Reception class) in September 2025. The closing date for Reception class applications is 15 January 2025. You must still apply for a Reception place, even if you already have a place in the Nursery associated with your preferred school.

The Leys Primary and Nursery School is offering tours on:

- **Monday 18th November 2024 1.30pm -2.30pm**
- Thursday 21st November 2024 10am -11am
- Tuesday 26th November 2024 10am -11am
- Monday 9th December 2024 1.30pm -2.30pm
- Tuesday 10th December 2024 10am -11am

Friends of The Leys - PTA

Together so far we've raised...

October School disco £1,455
October non-uniform day £236

Thank you

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Term dates 2024-2025

AUTUMN TERM

Start of term: 3 September 2024
Inset day: 2 September 2024
25 October 2024
Term: 2 September - 25 October 2024
Half term holiday: 28 October - 1 November 2024
Occasional day: **2 December 2024**
Term: 4 November - 20 December 2024

SPRING TERM

Inset day: 6 January 2025
Start of term: 7 January - 14 February 2025
Half term holiday: 17 February - 21 February 2025
Term : 24 February- 4 April 2025
Easter holiday: 7 April - 21 April 2025

SUMMER TERM

Term: 22 April - 23 May 2025
Bank Holiday: 5 May 2025
Half term holiday: 26 May - 30 May 2025
Inset day: 2 June 2025
23 July 2025
Term: 2 June - 23 July 2025
Summer holiday: 24 July 2025 - 29 August 2025

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Christmas holiday: 23 December - 3
January 2025

Inset Days 2024 - 2025

2 September 2024

25 October 2024

2 December (Occasional day) 2024

6 January 2025

2 June 2025 - New inset day

23 July 2025

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