The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning Today ….Leading Tomorrow

Star of the Week

Class	Pupil
Murphy	Zaynab
Benjamin	Jayden
Kerr	Sophia
Bryon	Huxley
Donaldson	Buddy
Soundar	Kolby
Dahl	Amelia
Gavin	Albie
Mante	Dylan
Morpurgo	Lucie
Riordan	Bianca
Zephaniah	Brianna
Malala	Isla
Blackman	Joel

Times Tables Leaders
Well done to…
1. Lola
2. Hannah
3. Jane

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

Friday 14th February 2025

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

17 Feb-21 Feb Half term

24 Feb Term Starts
25 Feb PTA meeting 3.15 to 4pm
28 Feb Mother Language Day (please see the weekly correspondence for more details)
4 Mar Year 1 phonic screening meeting for parents 9am
4 Mar Y6 Parents Evening
4 Mar Riordan Y5 Parents Evening
5 Mar Y6 Parents Evening
5 Mar Riordan Y5 Parents Evening
6 Mar World Book Day
7 Mar Y4 Parent - Child Multiplication Table Check Workshop with your child
17 Mar Individual in Class photos
21 Mar Whole school Stay and share 2.30-3.15pm
24 Mar 'All About SEND' with Mrs Pomroy 9.50 - 11.30am
25 Mar Year 1 assembly to parents 9.10am
27 Mar Y3 - School trip
28 Mar Easter Service to Church Y1 to Y6
3 Apr iRock performance infant hall
4 Apr School finishes at 1.30pm
7 Apr -21 Apr Easter holiday
22 Apr Summer term starts

Friends of The Leys - PTA

Together so far we've raised…
October School disco £1,455
October non-uniform day £236
Asda's Cashpot £763.18

Thank you

Kindness Award

Kindness Award Y6	Tamaya

Headteachers Awards

Year 1	Reggie, Victoria
Year 3	Jake, Lewis
Year 4	Ernie, Barnaby

Whole school attendance target
= 97%
Whole school attendance this week =94.9%
Best class attendance this week = Bryon

Red Nose Day is back

This Red Nose Day, let's celebrate 40 years of going big, giving big and feeling good with Comic Relief. Whether you give a few quid or give your all, let's do it together and support incredible projects which help children to be happier, families stronger, women safer, communities prouder, and millions of lives fairer. Red Nose Day 2025.

Go big. Give big. Feel good.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd25-the-leys-primary-and-nursery-school?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

 WELLBEING

It has been **online safety week** and we have been teaching all the children, age appropriate, ways to keep safe online. However, it's really important for parents to make sure their children are safe when they use the internet outside of school. Here's why:

Protection from inappropriate content
The internet has good and bad things. Children might see things that aren't suitable for them, get bullied online, or even meet people who want to do harm. Making sure they stay safe online helps protect them from these dangers.

Growing Up Healthy
Spending too much time on the internet without supervision can affect how children grow up emotionally and socially. Making sure they have a safe online experience helps them grow up in a healthy way.

Privacy and Safety
We need to teach children about keeping things private online and using strong passwords. This way, they develop good habits to stay safe on the internet.

Knowing How to Use the Internet
By keeping an eye on what children do online, parents help them learn how to use the Internet wisely. This means understanding what's true or false online, being responsible in digital spaces, and recognising online dangers.

Stopping Cyberbullying
Cyberbullying is a big problem, and parents can help prevent it. Watching how children interact online helps parents spot signs of bullying and step in when needed.

Balancing Screen Time
Too much time in front of screens can be bad for a child's health. Parents can help by making sure children have a good balance between online activities and other experiences.

Building Trust and Talking
Talking openly about online safety helps build trust between parents and children. When children feel safe talking about their online experiences, parents can guide and support them better.

Being Legal and Ethical
Parents have a job to make sure their children know the rules and act responsibly online. This means respecting others' privacy, not copying things from the internet without permission, and understanding that there are consequences for bad online behaviour.

Avoiding Too Much Internet
Using the Internet too much, especially social media and online games, can become a problem to wellbeing and mental health. Parents can help by keeping an eye on screen time and encouraging a healthy balance.

Getting Ready for the Future
Since technology is a big part of our lives, teaching children how to be responsible online is preparing them for the future.

In the end, keeping children safe online is about watching over them, teaching them, and talking with them. It's a big part of being a good parent in the age of the Internet. For young children and those with additional needs, like SEND, this can be even more important as they will struggle to identify potential risks and so are even more likely to experience harm. Here are a few websites with further advice about how to keep your children safe online.

NSPCC - General online safety advice for all parents https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

Online gaming safety for SEND children including those with Autism or ADHD - https://techsafe.org.uk/gaming/

Online safety support for vulnerable children -
https://www.internetmatters.org/inclusive-digital-safety/advice-for-parents-and-carers/

| Empathy | Inclusivity | Respect | Aspirations | Determination | Empowerment |

School Uniform

Winter Uniform
- White polo shirt.
- Black trousers OR black skirt OR black pinafore dress (No leggings)
- Red cardigan OR school red sweatshirt OR school red fleece
- White/ Black school socks.
- Black school shoes/ Plain black trainers (no boots)
- 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 red sweatshirt OR school red fleece OR Black hoodie/sweatshirt
(No leggings or gym tights)

Have you talked PANTS yet?

NSPCC

Since 2013, Pantosaurus has helped over six million parents to Talk PANTS and help keep children safe from sexual abuse.

Developed with children, parents, carers and teachers, Talk PANTS is here to help children understand that their body belongs to them, and they should tell a safe adult they trust if anything makes them feel upset or worried.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/

Parents Workshop Dates

7th March @ 2.15 Times Tables- Year 4

18th March @ 9-10am EYFS-Fine motor skills

20th March @ 9-10am EYFS-Fine motor skills

24th March @ 9.50 - 11.30 Tip and tools to manage everyday changes ADD Vance with Mrs Pomroy

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Term dates 2024-2025

AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER 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
Christmas holiday: 23 December - 3 January 2025
	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
		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
		
		Inset Days 2024 - 2025
		2 September 2024
		25 October 2024
		2 December (Occasional day) 2024
		6 January 2025
		2 June 2025
		23 July 2025

Term dates 2025-2026

AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM

Start of term: 4 September 2025
Inset day: 3 September 2025
      24 October 2025
Term: 3 September - 24 October 2025
Half term holiday: 27 October - 31 October 2025
 	
Occasional day: 1 December 2025
Term: 3 November - 19 December 2025
Christmas holiday: 22 December - 2 January 2026
	Inset day: 5 January 2026
	Start of term: 6 January - 13 February 2026
	Half term holiday: 16 February - 20 February 2026
	Term : 23 February- 27 March 2026
	Easter holiday: 30 March - 10 April 2026
		Term: 13 April - 22 May 2026
		Bank Holiday: 4 May 2026
		Half term holiday: 25 May - 29 May 2026
		Inset day: 1 June 2026
		      23 July 2026
		Term: 2 June - 23 July 2026
		Summer holiday: 24 July 2026 - 28 August 2026
		
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		3 September 2025
		24 October 2025
		1 December (Occasional day) 2025
		5 January 2026
		1 June 2026
		23 July 2026

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