



# The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning Today ....Leading Tomorrow

## Star of the Week

Class	Pupil
Murphy	Ava
Benjamin	Heran
Kerr	Phoebe
Bryon	Joella
Donaldson	Louie
Soundar	Ruby
Dahl	Jaahnvi
Gavin	Amiah
Russell	Eddie
Morpurgo	Haydn
Riordan	Ava
Zephaniah	Lucie
Lawrence	Todi
Hargrave	Bianca



## Times Tables Leaders

Well done to...

1. Amelia F
2. Serah
3. Austin

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

## Friday 12th September 2025

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

15 - 19 Sep - Bikeability Year 5 & 6  
29 Sep - School photos (individual & siblings)  
2 Oct National Poetry Day  
14 Oct Phonics workshop for Nursery parents , infant hall 9.00 - 9.45  
16 Oct Phonics workshop for Reception parents , infant hall 9.00 - 9.45  
17 Oct - Flu vaccination visit  
17 Oct - Shepreth Y2 Trip  
17 Oct - School Disco  
21 Oct Parent Consultation Meetings 3.30pm- 7pm  
22 Oct Parent Consultation Meetings 3.30pm - 5pm  
23 Oct Non uniform PTA £1  
24 Oct Inset Day  
27 Oct - 1 Nov Half Term  
3 Nov - 5 Nov PGL Y6  
13 Nov Pins joint session with Senco

## Kindness Award

Kindness Award  
YR

Vladimir

## Headteachers Awards

Year 5

Charlie, Lola,  
Isabella, Dhyay, Uno

## Attendance Wheel of Reward

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



## This week's winners & rewards:

Kerr - Class party

Russell - Sport games

Morpurgo - Friday non-uniform

Riordan - Free homework pass

## 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  
March School disco £1463.09  
Sports Day drinks and cake stall was  
£292.00.  
June School disco £1542  
**International Food Fair £427**



Welcome to all our new families and children. We work hard at The Leys to support the wellbeing and mental health of our children, staff and families. Through this weekly update we try to reduce the stigma and misconceptions around mental health, make families aware of resources, apps and websites, local training opportunities, activities in school and awareness days. Within school our two Mental Health Leads, Mrs Barr and Mrs Clibbon, have a wealth of knowledge and can help guide staff and families to a range of advice when required. We also have weekly access to Emily Deacon, our Stevenage Mental Health Support Practitioner from CAMHS (Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services). Who supports a range of children and their families with quality assured programmes. This term she will be working with our Year 4 cohort on 'Managing Our Emotions'. The school also buys 3 hours of counselling sessions weekly from Safe Space (Herts CC therapists), Mrs Parrot, our Emotional Literacy Support Assistant, is supporting individual and small groups of children with their wellbeing and developing strategies to help them cope with life's problems and we have our two nurture room teams who are supporting children who also present with SEND needs. For urgent mental health help or if you need to urgently speak to someone, Call the Single Point of Access (SPA) Tel: 0800 6444101 available 24 hourly or go to <https://www.hpft.nhs.uk/get-help/> If you have non-urgent concerns or require general support, please check out our website page or contact the mental health leads through the school office.  
<https://www.leys.herts.sch.uk/nad-parent-toolkit.html>

### School Uniform

#### Summer Uniform

- White polo shirt. (Expected)
- Black trousers OR School Black shorts ( not cycling shorts) OR skirt. (Expected)
- Red cardigan OR Red Jumper. (Expected)
- Red checked dress. (Optional)
- School Sweatshirt/Red Fleece. (Optional)
- White school socks. (Optional)
- Black school shoes. (Expected)

#### 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)

## Online child sexual abuse

### What you need to know

Online child sexual abuse is not a new problem, but it is a rapidly growing one. The methods abusers use are constantly shifting and changing, and they are always looking for ways to avoid detection. This section tells you what you need to know about how serious this problem is, and why you need to act now, not later.

<https://talk.iwf.org.uk/>

Empathy

Inclusivity

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## Parents invitation events

- 14 Oct Phonics workshop for Nursery parents , infant hall 9.00 - 9.45  
 16 Oct Phonics workshop for Reception parents , infant hall 9.00 - 9.45  
 21 Oct Parent Consultation Meetings 3.30pm- 7pm  
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### Reminder: School Policy on Throat Lozenges, Lip Balm, and Medication

We'd like to remind you of our school policy regarding medication and personal care items:

- **Pupils are not permitted to bring throat lozenges or lip balm to school.**  
 These items are not allowed for health and safety reasons.
- **If your child requires medication during the school day:**
  - Please speak directly with the school office to discuss your request.
  - Our usual policy is to only accept prescribed medication, which must be provided in its original packaging with the prescription label clearly visible.

## Term dates 2025-2026

### AUTUMN 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

### SPRING TERM

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

### SUMMER TERM

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 - 31  
August 2026  
Inset Days 2025 - 2026  
 3 September 2025  
 24 October 2025  
 1 December (Occasional day) 2025  
 5 January 2026  
 1 June 2026  
 23 July 2026

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