



The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning Today ...Leading Tomorrow

Star of the Week	
Class	Pupil
Jeffers	Lewis
Murphy	Ronnie
Kerr	Bella
Waddell	Saaya
Donaldson	Lexie
Gravett	Zachary
Dahl	George
Freedman	Ethan
Strong	Charlie I
Morpurgo	Amina
Lewis	Teddy
Tolkien	Laiba
Rosen	Joshua
Shakespeare	Archie
Dickens	Niamh
Kipling	Regan

New School Logo

We have updated our school logo but please do not worry about replacing the current uniform. The new design will be phased in slowly with the uniform company.

DATES COMING UP!

2.9 to 10.9- Author Week
 10.9- Y6 Cabinet Voting Day
 27.9 to 1.10- Nepal Week
 30.9 Bag2School collection day
 1.10 School Photographs Individual/ Siblings
 4.10 to 8.10- Black History Month
 8.10 Nursery Workshop for Parents
 11.10 to 15.10 Harvest collection
 5.10 -PTA Meeting online at 6.30 to 7.15pm
 15.10 -Autumn Disco 5 to 8pm
 19.10 to 20.10- Parent Consultation
 20.10- No PENS day
 21.10 - Non uniform day £1- pupils break up for half term
 22.10- Inset day
 1.11- Pupils Return
 1st to 5th Y6 Manor Adventure
 15th to 19th Anti Bullying Week
 15.11 -Odd Socks Day
 22.11 to 26.11- STEAM week & Bikeability Week
 6.12- Occasional Day- School is closed
 10.12 Enterprise Day
 17.12 Christmas Jumper and Dinner Day
 21.12- Last day of term - 1.30pm finish

Friends of The Leys PTA

Key Dates

Bags2School Collection 30th September 2021
 AGM: 5th October at 6.30pm
 Non uniform day 21st October £1
 Disco: 15th October at 5 to 8pm
 Non uniform 11th February £1
 Disco: 25th February 2022 at 5 to 8pm
 Non uniform £1 1st April
 Non uniform £1 1st 27th May
 Summer Fair: 1st July 3.15 to 5.30pm

Class of the week	All Classes for settling in so well.
Friendship Cup	Year 2 Betty & Mya
Headteacher Awards	
Reception	
Year 1	
Year 2	
Year 3	Muhammad B A, Isla G, Nellie M, Logan B, Mia R, Tamaya D-F
Year 4	
Year 5	
Year 6	

Parent Meetings:

Please enter via the side door near Year 3 Building. One parent to attend with a mask. 9 am to 9.20am

Year 4 13/09

Year 5 - 14/09

Rec - 15/9

Nursery Workshop- 8/10

CLASS OF THE WEEK



Each & Every Class

It was fantastic to see so many of you this last week at drop off and collection which fed into the air of excitement and optimism around the school site. Having whole Key Stage school assemblies for the first time for a while as Headteacher was a wonderful experience and truly lifted the spirits.

The pupils have already had a busy week back, well done to them all for showing so much passion in their learning!

This week the whole school has been learning about their class authors. In Year 3 Freedman, pupils have been reading Aliens love underpants by our class author Claire Freedman. Every morning we have been using the book for our guided reading and answering questions about the text. We have also been focusing on instruction writing. As a stimulus for writing we have made Spaceship portholes and will now write instructions about how we made them.



Writer of the Week-

A selection from pupils from Shakespeare Class

This week Shakespeare Class have been learning about William Shakespeare and investigating a few of his sonnets and plays. In Pie Corbett style, we took some of his more famous lines and had fun being creative to make our own versions. See selection below:

Sonnet 18

Shall I compare thee to a

Emir

..... a priceless diamond glimmering in the sunshine

Gojo

..... the bravery of an honest knight

Anthony & Cleopatra

In Nature's infinite book of secrecy

Jack

In the enchanted book of hopes and dreams a little I can read

Tommy

In the mind-twisting book of infinite hope and dreams a little I can read

A Midsummer Night's Dream (a fairy speaking to Puck):

Zara

I must go and find a magnificent deer and sprinkle dust in its ear

I will then be gone into the lonely, empty forest

Empathy

Inclusivity

Respect

Aspirations

Determination

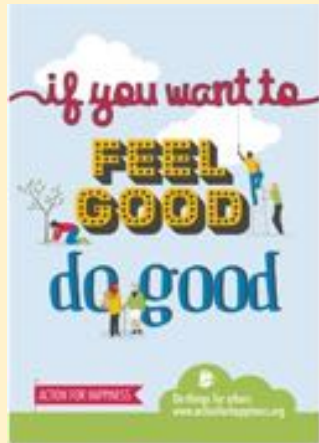
Empowerment



WELLBEING



We have been using these **Action for Happiness** monthly calendars all year; as a strategy to support the staff to focus on their own wellbeing. The link for this month's is below and the theme is resilience and **jumping back up** after we hit a setback. It is important that we model this to our children, so that they know it is ok to make a mistake. A big part of being a successful learner is accepting that making mistakes and learning from them is part of the process.



<https://www.actionforhappiness.org/self-care-september>

Spiritual, Moral, Social, Cultural and British Values



Kipling class learnt about global warming and the impact it is having on our planet. They had a shared discussion on how they could combat the effect of global warming and came up with some catchy slogans to encourage people to think about our planet a bit more. They wrote these on the playground in chalk for other children and parents/carers to see.

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Pupil Cabinet

Pupil Cabinet election
10th September 2021

Candidates			
Abigail		Malakai	
Eliza		Niamh	
Ellen		Sidney	
Emir		Regan	
Isabelle		Tegan	
Jack		Tommy	
James			

Earlier this week, thirteen children from Year 6 gave speeches to KS1 and KS2 assemblies to persuade the school to vote for them. The quality of the presentations was very high and we are pleased to share that all of the candidates have been successful in gaining a place on the Pupil Cabinet. Votes will be counted over the weekend and the two children who have secured most votes will be confirmed as Chair and Vice-Chair person early next week. The Pupil Cabinet, which is made up of Year 6 children, meets on a half-termly basis to discuss important matters relating to the school. The elected children are given the responsibility to represent the pupil voice in meetings with senior leaders and ultimately help shape the direction of the school.

Writing

UPDATE

At the end of last year, Years 4 and 5 (now years 5 and 6) took part in the Young Writers competition titled 'A Wander in the Woods'. Their task was to create descriptive stories with only one hundred words which had to include a beginning, middle and an end. We had over 100 fantastic entries! We have just received the news that these entries are thought to be so good they are going to be published into a book! All of these children have received a Young Writers certificate and we look forward to receiving a copy of the book with over 50 published pieces from our school! These children should be very proud of themselves!



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HOLIDAYS



Please be aware that the government continues to regard holidays during term time as unauthorised unless there are exceptional circumstances to consider. Parents who decide to take pupils on holiday during term time may incur a fine.

Don't forget to book on



The Leys Fun and Games Club! Breakfast & After-School Club

BREAKFAST CLUB

- Breakfast Club runs from 7.30am to 8:45 am and includes breakfast.
- Breakfast club costs £3.50 per child per day.
- Children must be signed into the club by whoever is bringing them to school.
- Children should not be dropped at the gate and sent into the club on their own. Breakfast on offer includes such choices as: cereal, toast, croissants, fruit, and fruit juices.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

- After School Club runs from 3.15 to 6.00 pm in two sessions:
- 3.15 - 5:00pm Session A £7.00 per day per child
- 3.15 - 6.00 pm Session B £8.50 per day per child
- A snack such as sandwiches, wraps, cheese, biscuits, and fruits are served to all children attending the after-school club.

Planned activities available may include:

- Creative art and crafts activities - painting, drawing, cutting, sticking and model making.
- Free play - activities chosen by your child.
- Imaginative play - dressing up and role play.
- Messy play - sand water clay and dough
- Outside play - depending on weather.
- Sports activities - organised by our PE staff.
- Various special events - disco, face painting, cooking, movie & popcorn

Term dates 2021-2022

AUTUMN TERM

Start of term: 2 September 2021
 Inset day: 1 September
 Term: 2 September -21 October
 Half term holiday: 25 October
 2021 - 29 October 2021
 Inset day: 22 October
 Term: 1 November -21 December
 Occasional Day: 6 December
 Christmas holiday: 22 December
 2021 - 5 January 2022

SPRING TERM

Inset day: 5 January 2022
 Term: 6 January - 11 February
 Half term holiday: 14 February
 2022 - 18 February 2022
 Term : 21 February-1 April
 Easter holiday: 4 April 2022 - 18
 April 2022

SUMMER TERM

Term: 19 April - 26 May
 Half term holiday: 30 May 2022 -
 3 June 2022
 Inset Day: 6 June
 Occasional day: 27 May
 Term: 7 June-21 July
 Inset day 22 July
 Summer holiday: 22 July 2022 - 31
 August 2022

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