



The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning Today ...Leading Tomorrow

Star of the Week

Class	Pupil
Benjamin	Olivia
Murphy	Sabur
Kerr	Taha
Bryon	Adam
Donaldson	Isabella
Soundar	Jayden
Dahl	Gracie-May
Gavin	Daisy
Mante	Millie
Morpurgo	Delilah
Riordan	Chase
Zephaniah	Shikana
Malala	Christina
Blackman	Ronnie
Kipling	Leah

Parent Consultations
18th & 19th October

PTA Bags 2 School
Friday 11th November

Children in Need
Friday 18th November

Friday 14th October 2022

DATES COMING UP!

17-21 Oct -Just Talk Week
 18 Oct -Face to face parent consultations 3:30 - 7pm
 19 Oct -Telephone parent consultations 3:30 -5pm
 24-28 Oct -Half term
 31 Oct-4 Nov -Yr 6 Manor Adventure
 2 Nov -Nursery parent teacher meeting 12pm
 4 Nov -Yr 3 Friday Stay and Share 8:50am
 7-11 Nov -Poppy Appeal
 8 Nov - Students annual flu vaccination
 9 Nov -Yr 6 parent teacher meeting 1pm
 11 Nov -Yr 2 Friday Family Reading -PTA Bags 2 School
 14 Nov -Odd Socks Day!
 14-18 Nov -Anti Bullying week
 16 Nov -Yr 5 parent teacher meeting 1pm
 18 Nov -Children in Need
 21-25 Nov -STEAM Week
 23 Nov -Yr 4 parent teacher meeting 1pm
 30 Nov -Yr 3 parent teacher meeting 1pm
 1 Dec -Enterprise Day
 2 Dec -INSET Day school closed
 5 Dec -Occasional Day school closed
 7 Dec -Yr 1 parent teacher meeting 1pm
 8 Dec -Students flu vaccination - follow up

Friendship Cup

Emmy

Headteachers Awards

Reception	Leo, Rose, Kiera, Marianna, Chloe
Year 1	Amelia and Yuvan
Year 2	Lenny, Hannah, Lucy, Amaya, Saaya, Tieri and Oliver
Year 4	Muhammad
Year 5	Maya, Layla, Ollie, Kamou & Siji
Year 6	Mia, Alex and Tommy

Attendance Monopoly

Each week in assembly a dice will be rolled for **most improved class attendance.**



Be here to have a go!

This week's winners & rewards:

Donaldson - Non uniform, movie and meadow.

Gavin - Extra play

Zephaniah - Class baking

UPDATE

Geography

Year 6 Children went on a local walk this week around the St Nicholas area. We were looking at the land use around the area and discussed why different types of buildings and establishments were built where they were. We also were looking at ways in which we could improve our local area. The children thoroughly enjoyed it!



CLASS OF THE WEEK:



This week in Murphy Class we have been learning about repeating patterns. We started the week looking at making repeating patterns with our body, so did actions such as clap, stamp. clap, stamp. Children then tried to copy and continue the pattern. We then moved on to making patterns with colours, size and Shapes.



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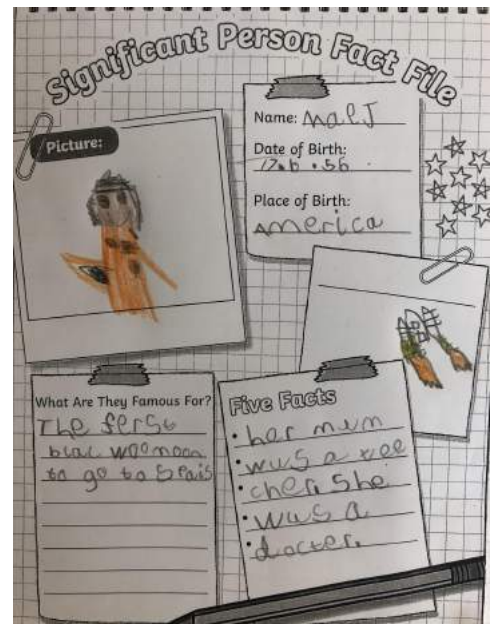
Class: Bryon Class - Year 1
Pupil: Robyn

In Year 1 this week we have been learning all about the famous astronaut Mae Jemison for Black History Month.

We have been exploring photos, fact files, powerpoint slides and videos to learn all about Mae Jemison.

Robyn has written a fantastic fact file all about Mae Jemison.

Well done for using your phonics to help you Robyn!



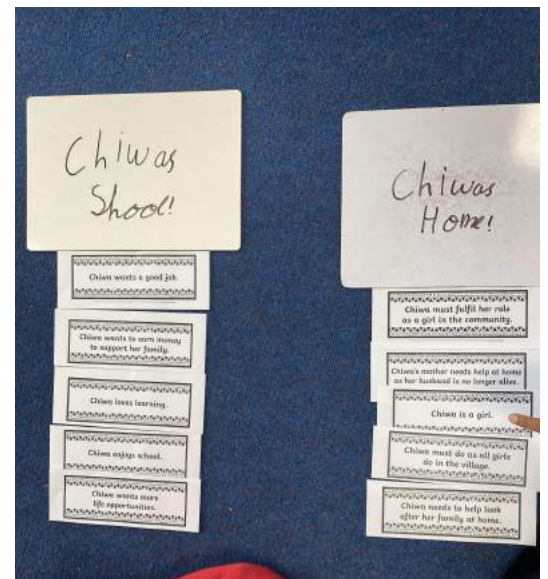
Reader of the Month



Well done to Joshua and Kyler-May for the effort they are putting in with their reading. They were the first two children to reach their first reading certificates in year 3 and are on track to reach their second after half term as they have been reading everyday. Keep up the great work we are very proud of you.

Spiritual, Moral, Social, Cultural and British Values

This half-term, Year 4 have been learning about a girl called Chiwa, and considering a difficult decision she has to make. Chiwa is faced with a dilemma, of staying in school to learn, or staying home to complete housework like her community expects her to. The children have looked at schools around the world and discovered education is not the same everywhere. This learning has taught us to be empathetic and consider a different situation.



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WELLBEING



Mental Health Champion



Last week we held our first Wellbeing Champions meeting. Our Champions this year are; Donaldson - Harry, Soundar - Mia, Dahl - Harrison, Gavin - Olivia, Mante - Isla, Morpurgo - Janelle, Zephaniah - Ivy, Riordan - Perla, Malala - Taraji, Blackman - Asad and Kipling - Alys. We discussed what this role involves, how they can help their classmates (and themselves) with their wellbeing and talked

about the importance of being a good listener. All the children in years 1 to 6 are completing their wellbeing questionnaires between now and half term, so when we meet again we will have some targets to work on.

The Leys Have Talent

Asad, in Year 6, wrote a story titled 'The Secret Thief' and entered it into a young writers competition. Amazingly, he received a Talent for Writing certificate and it has been selected for publication in a Young Writers Anthology.

Well Done Asad!



Nursery and Reception Tour Dates

Monday 14th November 10 - 11am

Friday 25th November 1 - 2pm

Monday 28th November 10 - 11am

Friday 9th December 1 - 2pm

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What is Families First?



Families First is the term used in Hertfordshire for services that work together to support families who need extra help. These are also known as early help services.

We all experience difficulties at some point. Families First can help you find early help and information to prevent issues from getting worse.

If you need more help than your usual support network - for example your health visitor, school, doctor or family centre - we can work with you and your family to create a package of support.

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/microsites/families-first/families-first.aspx>

Friday Stay and Share / **Friday Family Reading** morning **Autumn Term 2022**

We will be running a number of 'Stay and Share' sessions for each year group, allowing the opportunity for parents/carers to view their child's work in their classrooms.

We have also planned for each year group to have 'Friday Family Reading' sessions, for pupils to read their book to their family members.

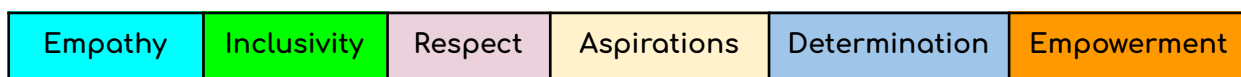
For both, parents/carers would simply walk into the classroom with their child- staying for a maximum time to 9.15am to minimise disruption.

Each year we will need to send Text messages to invite parents- we will add dates to Facebook and the newsletter weekly.

Black- Stay and Share
Red- Friday Family Reading

8.50 to 9.15am

4/11	11/11	18/11	25/11	9/12
Y3	Y 2	Y4	Y3	Y1



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*.

Term dates 2022-2023

AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM
<p>Start of term: 5 September 2022 Inset day: 1 September & 2 September Term: 5 September -21 October Half term holiday: <u>24 October 2022 - 28 October 2022</u> Inset day: 2 December & Occasional Day: 5 December Term: 31 October - 21 December Christmas holiday: <u>22 December 2021 - 4 January 2022</u></p>	<p>Inset day: 5 January Term: 6 January - 10 February Half term holiday: <u>13 February 2023 - 17 February 2023</u> Term : 20 February- 31 March 2023 Easter holiday: <u>3 April 2023 - 14 April 2023</u></p>	<p>Term: 17 April - 20 July Bank Holiday: 1 May Half term holiday: <u>29 May 2023 - 2 June 2023</u> Term: 5 June-20 July Inset day: 21 July 2023 Summer holiday: <u>24 July 2023 - 31 August 2023</u></p> <p><u>Inset Day 2022-2023</u> 1 September 2022 2 September 2022 2 December 2022 5 December (Occasional day) 2022 5 January 2023 21 July 2023</p>