



The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning Today ...Leading Tomorrow

Star of the Week

Class	Pupil
Benjamin	Charlie
Murphy	Frankie
Kerr	Gabriella
Bryon	Robyn
Donaldson	Tieri
Soundar	Hannah
Dahl	Lilly
Gavin	Charlie
Mante	Gabriella
Morpurgo	Muhammad
Riordan	Kamau
Zephaniah	Ella
Malala	Baylie
Blackman	Alex
Kipling	Laiba

Friday 9th September 2022

DATES COMING UP!

12-16 Sep - Yr 5 & 6 Bikeability
 15 Sep - Nursery New Parent Meeting 9am in the infant hall
 23 Sep - Yr 4 Friday Family Reading 8:50am
 29 Sep - Phonics workshop for Reception parents 9-10 am
 30 Sep - Yr 2 Friday Stay and Share 8:50am
 6 Oct - Phonics workshop for Nursery parents 9-10 am
 7 Oct - Yr 1 Friday Family Reading
 13 Oct - School Photos
 14 Oct - Yr 5 Friday Family Reading
 18 Oct - Face to face parent consultations 3:30 - 7pm
 19 Oct - Telephone parent consultations 3:30 -5pm
 21 Oct - Non-uniform £1 - Yr Rec Friday Family Reading
 31 Oct-4 Nov - Yr 6 Manor Adventure
 2 Nov - Nursery parent teacher meetings 12pm
 4 Nov - Yr 3 Friday Stay and Share 8:50am
 9 Nov - Yr 6 parent teacher meetings 1pm
 11 Nov - Yr 2 Friday Family Reading

**School Photographs
Thursday 13th October**

**Non-uniform £1
Friday 21st October**

**Children in Need
Friday 18th November**

Attendance Awards	
Friendship Cup	Rose Yr -Rec
Headteachers Awards	
Reception	
Year 1	
Year 2	
Year 3	
Year 4	
Year 5	
Year 6	

Attendance Monopoly

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



Be here to have a go!

UPDATE

Today The Leys will, rightly, be focused on yesterday's news of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. Our deepest sympathies and thoughts are with all members of the Royal Family and those dearest to her at this time of personal sorrow. Our thoughts and care also extend to members of our own school community, our nation and the world, who are reflecting, remembering and mourning our longest serving monarch.

As a School, we are grateful that we were able to celebrate her life and acknowledge her unwavering service to the country and commonwealth during her Platinum Jubilee in the Summer term. Today, we held a special assembly. The core message to our pupils was the decades of care and service she gave to her country - a value we hold very dear at The Leys and one that will be reflected upon and cherished in our memories of Queen Elizabeth II. We also gave our collective thoughts to King Charles III during this difficult personal time and wished for him to have a long, healthy and happy reign.



CLASS OF THE WEEK Mante



Mante class has had a very successful start to the new term! We have spent time learning about our class author, Priscilla Mante, the author of "Jaz Santos VS the world" - as a class, we have been inspired by her writing about adventure and following your dreams! We have tackled maths, english and art this week, as well as hitting the ground running with our first swimming lesson! One of our highlights has been getting back to running the daily mile, which helps us focus our minds on the next learning task.



What a busy week it has been! We can't wait to see what the first half term in Year 4 brings.

Empathy

Inclusivity

Respect

Aspirations

Determination

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Class: Gavin
Pupil: Robert F

What I Didn't Do In The Holidays

I didn't drink a magic potion,
But I had suntan lotion.

I didn't do a fancy dance,
But I went to France.

I didn't have a rage,
But I went to the Stone Age.

I didn't go to China,
But I did go to a diner.

I didn't go to the park,
But I did hear a bark.

Spiritual, Moral, Social, Cultural and British Values

The first week back at school has provided a fantastic opportunity for all of our pupils to remind themselves of the school values! We have focused on our values of: **inclusivity, aspiration, empowerment, empathy, determination and respect**. Each class has completed learning linked to the values in our weekly PSHE sessions, and we are all looking out for children demonstrating these values!

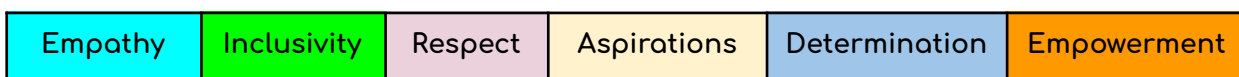


WELLBEING



Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust have asked us to send the following Children's Wellbeing Practitioners Eventbrite link to all our parents/carers to enable you to view their rolling programme of workshops on offer and dates across the end of this year and into next year. These workshops cover many emotional health and well-being concerns, including sleep issues, anxiety and self-esteem. They are **FREE** and suitable for adults caring for both primary and secondary aged children.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hct-childrens-wellbeing-practitioners-33494371787>



The Leys Have Talent

Brayden, in year 5, took part in the Gadgeteers reading challenge in the summer holidays. His challenge was to read 6 books in six weeks and he achieved it! Well done Brayden- we are all very proud of you!



Does your child excel in any out of school activities or have a special talent? Have they achieved anything over the summer holidays?

Let us know by emailing Theleyshavetalent@leys.herts.sch.uk so that we can celebrate their success together!



Please include their name and year group in your email and any photographs that could be used on our website or newsletter.

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

16/9	23/9	30/9	7/10	14/10	21/10	4/11	11/11	18/11	25/11	9/12
Yr 6	Y4	Y2	Y1	Y5	YR	Y3	Y 2	Y4	Y3	Y1

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Hello, Parents & Guardians! We are BeeZee Bodies, and we work with Hertfordshire County Council to provide FREE (and FUN!) healthy lifestyles support for families across Hertfordshire.

WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR FAMILY TO BE HEALTHIER? SIGN UP FOR FREE!

Just go to beezeebodies.com/families (or scan the QR code!) and enter your details. We'll give you a call back to have a quick chat and enrol your family on to your preferred BeeZee Families group!



NEW COURSES START W/C 26TH SEPTEMBER 2022 FOR 12 WEEKS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
BOREHAMWOOD Allum Hall WD6 3PJ 17:00 - 19:00	STEVENAGE Barnwell Middle School SG2 9XT 17:30 - 19:30	HODDESDON St. Cuthberts Church 17:30 - 19:30	WATFORD Knutsford Primary WD24 7ER 17:30 - 19:30
WELWYN GARDEN CITY Ridgeway Academy AL7 2AF 17:00 - 19:00	HEMEL HEMPSTEAD Hobletts Manor Junior School HP2 5JS 17:30 - 19:30		HITCHIN Ickleford Primary School SG5 3GT 18:00 - 19:30
	ST ALBANS Camp Primary & Nursery School AL1 5PE 17:30 - 19:30		

*to be eligible for this awesome free service, your family must live/go to school/be registered with a GP in Hertfordshire and include one child who is above their ideal healthy weight.

BUILD A BALANCED LUNCHBOX!
SEND 'EM BACK TO SCHOOL THIS SEPTEMBER WITH A PERFECTLY PACKED. HEALTHY LUNCH! YUM!

CHOOSE YOUR CARBOHYDRATES

- Bread • Tortilla wraps • Chapattis • Pitta
- Pasta • Rice • Potatoes • Cassava • Naan

PACK SOME PLANTS

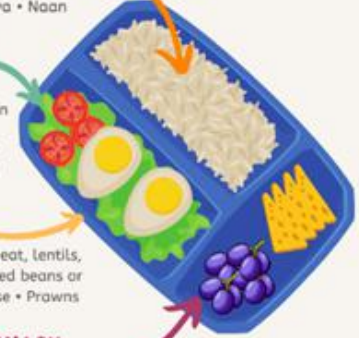
- Frozen, tinned or fresh fruit & veg • Hide peppers, sweetcorn & peppers in tuna mayo! • Disguise onions and tomatoes in a curry/stew • Celery or carrot sticks with their favourite dip.

PICK YOUR PROTEINS

- Leftover protein from dinner (e.g. meat, lentils, tofu or paneer) • Eggs • Tuna • Tinned beans or low sugar/salt baked beans • Cheese • Prawns

SELECT A SNACK

- Cheese slices • Yogurt (try low fat and low sugar options) • Popcorn • Pita/carrots with hummus • Grapes • Pepper slices • Raisins • Crackers
- Mix and match these to get all those nutrients in!



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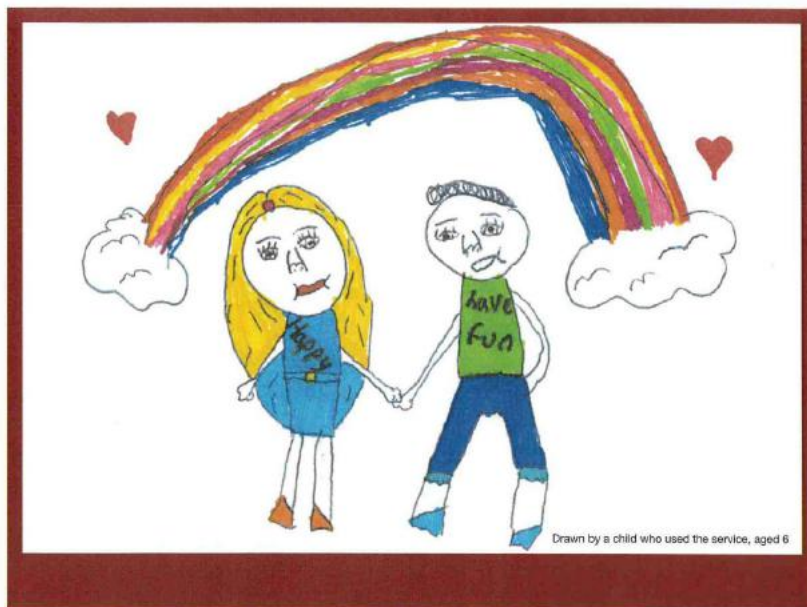
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SADA Drop-in Service

Thursdays fortnightly from 11am to 12.30pm

To provide support and advice to victims and survivors, and children living with domestic abuse



For more information, please call 01438 242666
and ask for our Community Safety Team
or email SADA@stevenage.gov.uk



Virtual Drop In – EVERY Friday from 10.30am to 11.30am on Zoom

Face to Face Drop In Service STEVENAGE – Fortnightly on a Thursday from 11am to 12.30pm

September		22nd
October	6th	20th
November	3rd	17th
December	1st	15th

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.

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


STEVENAGE HOCKEY CLUB


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JUNIOR TRAINING SESSIONS

FOR AGES 5 AND ABOVE

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3 FREE COACHED SESSIONS



THE NOBEL SCHOOL
SUNDAY MORNINGS 10:00-11:00






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