



# The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning Today ...Leading Tomorrow

Friday 21st April 2023

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

- 1 May -Bank holiday, school closed
- 8 May -Bank holiday for the Kings Coronation, school closed
- 9-12 May -Y6 SATS week
- 15-19 May -Walk to school week
- 26 May -Non uniform £1
- 9 Jun -Non uniform
- Summer Fair donations (details closer to the date)
- 16 Jun -Summer Fair
- 26 Jun -Class group photos
- 29 Jun -Sports Day 1
- 30 Jun -Sports Day 2
- 3-7 Jul -Climate change week
- 14 Jul -Y6 Productions
- 17 Jul -Y6 prom
- 20 Jul -Last day of term 1:30pm finish
- 21 Jul -INSET Day, school closed

| Star of the Week |           |
|------------------|-----------|
| Class            | Pupil     |
| Benjamin         | Theo      |
| Murphy           | Lucas     |
| Kerr             | Vinnie    |
| Bryon            | Gregory   |
| Donaldson        | Ernie     |
| Soundar          | Mia       |
| Dahl             | Lily-Rose |
| Gavin            | Lily B    |
| Mante            | Mia       |
| Morpurgo         | Nathan    |
| Riordan          | Leanne    |
| Zephaniah        | Jessica   |
| Malala           | Joshua    |
| Blackman         | Ronnie    |
| Kipling          | Laiba     |



**Times Tables Leaders**

Well done to  
**Paige**  
**George S**  
**Delvin**

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

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Friendship Award    | Naomi - Year 5  |
| Headteachers Awards |   |
| Year 1              | Robyn, Iris, Gregory, DJ, Elijah, Isabella  |
| Year 2              | Ernie   |
| Year 3              | Kyler-May Reece, Amilia, Austin, Alex, Gusia, Kaira, Sophia, Lexie, David, Joshua, Lilly, Emily, Samson, Ava-Rose, Oliver, Gracie-May, Brianna, Poppy |
| Year 4              | Dawson, Darcie, Muhammad, Daniel, Anthony, Janelle, Delilah, Nathan, Jensen, Joel, Liam, Lily. Mante Class (All Children)                             |

**Attendance Wheel of Reward**

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



Be here to have a go!  
This week's winners & rewards:

- Kerr** - Purple Mash games
- Mante** - Lunch outside
- Kipling** - Free homework pass

# UPDATE

## PE

Welcome back!

In PE this term the children will be learning and developing their summer games. The children's learning focuses this term will be athletics, net and wall games, rounders, cricket, adapted summer games and some year groups will swim (years 4 & 6).

With the weather starting to improve, we will be teaching outside as much as possible, please ensure your child has a summer PE Kit in school each week -white t-shirt, black shorts/jogging bottoms, trainers/plimsolls (trainers preferred). We are looking forward to building on the incredible work and progress that the children made during the spring term and to the many of our upcoming sports events.

Reminder: Sports day 1 - Thursday 29th June

Sports day 2 - Friday 30th June

Yours in Sport

PE Team

CLASS OF THE WEEK:  
Mante



This week in Mante class we have begun writing stories based on Arthur and the Golden Rope by Joe Todd-Stanton. We are looking hard at the adventures that Arthur has and trying to make sure that our own adventure stories make sense.



We have also been thinking hard about the Vikings, our new history topic; who they were, where they came from and what legacy they left behind for us in modern Britain.



Class: Blackman

Year 6 have been writing using Wallace and Gromit as stimulus. Luke has written about The Bully-Proof Vest invented by Wallace

To the casual citizen, the Bully-Proof Vest is a relatively ordinary vest that anyone can stroll along with. However, this vest is a strengthened box made with durable steel material. In the box is a high-tension spring with a flattened boxing glove which is vigorously ejected when a button is pressed on top of its housing. The speed of deployment can take an awaiting assailant by surprise and cause bodily harm. Thieves will think twice about attacking someone wearing the vest in the future.

Empathy

Inclusivity

Respect

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Reader of the Month

## Reception

Emmie for showing fantastic enthusiasm for reading by reading at home every day and also bringing in lots of books to share and recommend to her friends! We are so proud of you!



## Spiritual, Moral, Social, Cultural and British Values



At school we have a new club that has started for all year groups. This club is called **Mad Science**. The children started last night and had a great time with children from different year groups and the Mad Science Teacher.

*Olivia from Y6 described the club -*

*'At Mad Science everyone was given a tile and some coloured pens. We all drew really colourful patterns on our tiles. Then Neeve added a liquid called rubbing alcohol to all the tiles to set them on fire! In order to make a very colourful fun tile!'*

It sounds like the children had a great time!! 😊

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Today Pupil Parliament met to discuss wellbeing and plan what the children would like to do as part of our **Feel Good Week** in the Autumn term. The children discussed the 5 Ways to Wellbeing and suggested ideas that we can do which will help us to all feel good even on the most difficult of days.

# 'Five ways to Wellbeing'



Whole school attendance target  
= **97%**

Whole school attendance this  
week = **96.4%**

Best class attendance this week  
= **Murphy**

## The Leys Have Talent

Poppy, in year 4, has horse riding lessons at Lords Farm. She has recently received her Stage 1 riding certificate. Well Done Poppy- Keep up the good work!



# Golden Table

Last term each class teacher nominated a pupil who exceptionally represented our school values. These pupils enjoyed a special lunch with the school Governors and Senior Leadership Team.

A HUGE thank you to Miss Davies for helping to make this lunch even more spectacular, with amazing decorations and goodie bags for each child.



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# SADA Domestic Abuse Service

The SADA Domestic Abuse Service, is a service for everyone and aims to signpost and support people experiencing domestic abuse.

[SADA Domestic Abuse Service](#)

## SENDCo drop in sessions

These sessions are to discuss:

- Information to share from home
- Initial concerns
- Making a plan to move forward
- Other arising matters you would like to raise after speaking with the class teacher

If you would like to book a drop in session with myself, please follow the link below

One slot per child

If you do wish to talk out of these times the door is always open

<https://leys.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

| Slots available                |                               |                                  |                                |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Monday 24th April<br>2-2.15    | Tuesday 16th May<br>9-9.15    | Wednesday 14th June<br>2-2.15    | Tuesday 11th July<br>3-3.15    |
| Monday 24th April<br>2.15-2.30 | Tuesday 16th May<br>9.15-9.30 | Wednesday 14th June<br>2.15-2.30 | Tuesday 11th July<br>3.15-3.30 |
| Monday 24th April<br>2.30-2.45 | Tuesday 16th May<br>9.30-9.45 | Wednesday 14th June<br>2.30-2.45 | Tuesday 11th July<br>3.30-3.45 |
| Monday 24th April<br>2.45-3    | Tuesday 16th May<br>9.45-10   | Wednesday 14th June<br>2.45-3    | Tuesday 11th July<br>3.45-4    |

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## Term dates 2022-2023

| AUTUMN TERM  | SPRING TERM   | SUMMER TERM   |
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| <p>Start of term: 5 September 2022<br/>                     Inset day: 1 September &amp; 2 September<br/>                     Term: 5 September -21 October<br/>                     Half term holiday: 24 October 2022 - 28 October 2022</p> <p>Inset day: 2 December<br/>                     Occasional Day: 5 December<br/>                     Term: 31 October - 21 December<br/>                     Christmas holiday: 22 December 2021 - 4 January 2022</p> | <p>Inset day: 5 January<br/>                     Term: 6 January - 10 February<br/>                     Half term holiday: 13 February 2023 - 17 February 2023<br/>                     Term : 20 February- 31 March 2023<br/>                     Easter holiday: 3 April 2023 - 14 April 2023</p> | <p>Term: 17 April - 20 July<br/>                     Bank Holiday: 1 May<br/>                     Bank Holiday: 8 May<br/>                     Half term holiday: 29 May 2023 - 2 June 2023<br/>                     Term: 5 June-20 July<br/>                     Inset day: 21 July 2023<br/>                     Summer holiday: 24 July 2023 - 31 August 2023</p> <p><u>Inset Days 2022-2023</u><br/>                     1 September 2022<br/>                     2 December 2022<br/>                     5 December (Occasional day) 2022<br/>                     5 January 2023<br/>                     21 July 2023</p> |

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| AUTUMN TERM  | SPRING TERM  | SUMMER TERM  |
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| <p>Start of term: 4 September 2023<br/>                     Inset day: 1 September 2023<br/>                     Term: 1 September - 19 October 2023<br/>                     Inset day: 20 October 2023<br/>                     Half term holiday: 23 October - 27 October 2023</p> <p>Occasional day: 8 December 2023<br/>                     Term: 30 October - 20 December 2023<br/>                     Christmas holiday: 21 December - 3 January 2024</p> | <p>Inset day: 4 January 2024<br/>                     Term: 5 January - 16 February 2024<br/>                     Half term holiday: 19 February - 23 February 2024<br/>                     Term : 26 February- 28 March 2024<br/>                     Easter holiday: 29 March - 12 April 2024</p> | <p>Term: 15 April - 24 May 2024<br/>                     Bank Holiday: 6 May 2024<br/>                     Half term holiday: 27 May - 31 May 2024<br/>                     Inset day: 3 June 2024<br/>                     Term: 4 June - 23 July 2024<br/>                     Inset day: 12 July 2024<br/>                     Summer holiday: 24 July 2024 - 30 August 2024</p> <p><u>Inset Days 2023 - 2024</u><br/>                     1 September 2023<br/>                     20 October 2023<br/>                     8 December (Occasional day) 2023<br/>                     4 January 2024<br/>                     3 June 2024<br/>                     12 July 2024</p> |

