



The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning Today ...Leading Tomorrow

Friday 25th October 2024

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

- 3 Nov - 6 Nov Y6 - PGL
- 4 Nov Poppy Appeal Week
- 7 Nov Y5 Parents Assembly at 9.10
- 11 Nov Anti-bullying Week
- 15 Nov Children in Need - Non uniform
- 18 Nov Road Safety Week
- 21 Nov Y5 - School Trip
- 22 Nov Movie Night
- 25 Nov Flu vaccine visit
- 29 Nov Enterprise Day
- 29 Nov Flu vaccine visit
- 2 Dec Occasional Day
- 6 Dec Whole School Stay and Play 2.30 - 3.15 pm
- 9 Dec Reindeer visit
- 11 Dec SEND parents workshop 10.00 - 12.00 o'clock
- 17 Dec Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
- 18 Dec Christmas Party 1-3pm
- 19 Dec iRock concert at 2.30pm
- 20 Dec Last Day of Term School finishes at 1.30 pm
- 23 Dec - 3 Jan 2025 Christmas holiday
- 6 Jan 2025 - Inset Day
- 7 Jan - New Term Starts

We have raised fantastic £1,455 from the school disco and £236 for the non-uniform day!
Thank you.

Star of the Week

| Class | Pupil |
|-----------|----------|
| Murphy | Remy |
| Benjamin | Gabriela |
| Kerr | Dion |
| Bryon | PJ |
| Donaldson | Zayn |
| Soundar | Frankie |
| Dahl | Louie |
| Gavin | Aydin |
| Mante | Shaista |
| Morpurgo | Jackson |
| Riordan | Ida |
| Zephaniah | Ava |
| Malala | Anthony |
| Blackman | Stacia |



Times Tables Leaders Well done to...

1. Tanith
2. Elijah
3. Albie

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

Kindness Award

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| Kindness Award | Anthony, Logan & Nathan |
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Headteachers Awards

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| Year Reception | Nesu, Isaac |
| Year 3 | Harry, Adelina, Louie, Amelia, Tanith, Shayah-Lee, Taha |
| Year 6 | Liam |

Attendance Wheel of Reward

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



Be here to have a go!

This week's winners & rewards:

Murphy -Yes day

Gavin - Non-uniform day

Riordan - Free homework pass

Blackman - PJ Day



Whole school attendance target
= 97%

Whole school attendance this
week = 94%

Best class attendance this week
= Zephaniah

Snow White Pantomime

On Monday, Reception, Year 1, 2 and 3 had the chance to watch a performance of Snow White.

All of the children loved the show and were able to join in with some of the songs, actions and other parts of the performance. It was great fun and we can't wait to welcome back The M&M Theatrical Productions team for their next show!



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WELLBEING



Over half a million people in the UK are severely affected by mental illness. But it's not just what's going on in their minds that makes life hard...it's what's going on in ours. One of the most difficult things about living with a mental illness can be the judgement of others.

Over a third of UK adults say they wouldn't feel comfortable in the presence of someone they believe is experiencing severe mental illness. Three in five people living with a mental illness say the fear of how others perceive them has stopped them seeking support.

Let's Rethink, is a campaign to tackle the unfair stigma and the discrimination that people face at work, in school and at home around their mental health.

This charity provides an advice and information helpline that is open Monday to Friday 9.30am - 4pm. Their phone number is 0808 801 0525. Or you can find out more on their website at <https://www.rethink.org/>.

Performances at the Leys!

This year we are doing a big push on oracy and public speaking. As a result we will be giving each class at least 2 opportunities to perform. Please see the timetable below to see when your child will be performing. It would be fantastic to see you there to support them.

Autumn 2

Year 5 Class Assembly 7th November 2024

EYFS- Christmas Stay and Share :

Reception-Monday 16th December 2.45 pm

Nursery -Monday 16th December 10.45 am & 2 pm

Year 1 Christmas performance Thursday 12th December 9.30 am

Year 2 Christmas performance Thursday 12th December 2 pm

IRock 19th December 2024 2.30 pm



Ordering School Lunches through School Grid

We would like to remind you of the importance of ordering your child's lunch through School Grid, especially if your child has specific medical or religious dietary requirements.

Why is this important?

At our school, we are committed to ensuring that all pupils have access to nutritious meals that cater to their individual needs. By ordering through School Grid, we can ensure dietary needs are met: Whether your child requires a gluten-free meal, or follows a halal or vegetarian diet, School Grid allows us to accommodate these requirements effectively.

Parents survey

Could you please have a look and complete the survey by Friday 8th November.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/V27GJ7R>



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Winter Uniform

- White polo shirt.
- Black trousers OR black skirt OR black pinafore dress (No leggings)
- Red cardigan OR school Red sweatshirt OR school red fleece.
- White/ Black school socks.
- Black school shoes
- Tights (Red/ Black)

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 sweatshirt OR school red fleece OR Black hoodie

Is your child due to start Nursery or Reception in September 2025?

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021 you must apply to start an infant or primary school (Reception class) in September 2025. The closing date for Reception class applications is 15 January 2025. You must still apply for a Reception place, even if you already have a place in the Nursery associated with your preferred school.

The Leys Primary and Nursery School is offering tours on:

- Monday 18th November 2024 1.30pm -2.30pm
- Thursday 21st November 2024 10am -11am
- Tuesday 26th November 2024 10am -11am
- Monday 9th December 2024 1.30pm -2.30pm
- Tuesday 10th December 2024 10am -11am

SADA Domestic Abuse Service

Helping you to feel safe, secure, protected and empowered

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

Contact details

Domestic Abuse Service
Communities Advice and Support
Daneshill House
Danestrete
Stevenage
SG1 1HN
Tel: 01438 242666
Email: SADA@stevenage.gov.uk

In an emergency always call the Police on 999

To report a non-emergency call 101

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Term dates 2024-2025

| AUTUMN TERM | SPRING TERM | SUMMER TERM |
|--|---|--|
| <p>Start of term: 3 September 2024 Inset day: 2 September 2024 <u>25 October 2024</u> Term: 2 September - 25 October 2024 <u>Half term holiday: 28 October - 1 November 2024</u></p> <p>Occasional day: 2 December 2024 Term: 4 November - 20 December 2024 <u>Christmas holiday: 23 December - 3 January 2025</u></p> | <p>Inset day: 6 January 2025 Start of term: 7 January - 14 February 2025 <u>Half term holiday: 17 February - 21 February 2025</u> Term : 24 February- 4 April 2025 <u>Easter holiday: 7 April - 21 April 2025</u></p> | <p>Term: 22 April - 23 May 2025 Bank Holiday: 5 May 2025 <u>Half term holiday: 26 May - 30 May 2025</u> Inset day: 2 June 2025 23 July 2025 Term: 2 June - 23 July 2025 <u>Summer holiday: 24 July 2025 - 29 August 2025</u></p> <p><u>Inset Days 2024 - 2025</u> 2 September 2024 <u>25 October 2024</u> 2 December (Occasional day) 2024 6 January 2025 2 June 2025 - New inset day 23 July 2025</p> |

