



# The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning Today ....Leading Tomorrow

## Star of the Week

Class	Pupil
Campbell	Rosie
Murphy	Dayana
Benjamin	Lola
Kerr	Kiera
Bryon	Jayden
Donaldson	Ruby
Soundar	Reggie
Dahl	Orla
Gavin	Charlie
Russell	Robyn
Morpurgo	Isabella
Riordan	Hailey R
Zephaniah	Benjamin
Lawrence	Austin
Hargrave	Alex



## Times Tables Leaders

Well done to...

1. Eddie S
2. Antonia S
3. Robyn R

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

## Friday 28th November 2025

Thank you to all our parents and carers who joined us for Enterprise Day! We truly appreciate your support—your enthusiasm helped make the event a wonderful success for our pupils.

School continues to be filled with a festive spirit as we head towards the end of term, and the children are enjoying the celebrations and activities across the school.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support.

Mrs Khangura

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

- 1 Dec Occasional day - school closed
- 2 Dec Year 1 trip to Shuttleworth
- 3 Dec Open day tours for EYFS at 9.30am
- 4 Dec iRock concert 2-3pm
- 5 Dec School Christmas surprise
- 5 Dec Stay and share books Y1-Y6 from 2.30pm
- 10 Dec Choir in hall 3.45
- 11 Dec Y1 Christmas play 9.30 -10.30
- 11 Dec Y2 Nativity 2-3 pm
- 12 Dec Y6 Curriculum Fair 2.30 pm
- 16 Dec EYFS Christmas Stay & Share 9 to 9.30 am & 2.30 to 3 pm
- 17 Dec Christmas Dinner & Jumper
- 18 Dec Class Parties (non-uniform)
- Text messages to follow
- 19 Dec School finishes at 1.30 pm Non-uniform (no donation)
- 22 Dec - 2 Jan 2026 Christmas holiday
- 5 Jan Inset day
- 6 Jan Children return to school

## Kindness Award

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Rose

## Attendance Wheel of Reward

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



## This week's winners & rewards:

**Bryon - Class party**

**Gavin - 5th Dec non uniform**

**Morpurgo - Bring in a different snack**

**Zephaniah - Choose your own timetable**

**Friends of The Leys - PTA**  
Together so far we've raised...  
**October School disco 2025**  
**£1,324.25**

Thank you



## WELLBEING



### 12 Ways to Help Your Child Make Friends

We know that connecting with others is an essential life long skill, which is important to our mental health. In this 15 minute video, Dr. Eileen Kennedy-Moore offers practical guidance for parents who want to help their children develop meaningful friendships. While parents can't make friends for their children, they can play a key role in helping them build the social and emotional skills needed to foster caring and enjoyable connections. This presentation shares a dozen actionable ideas for supporting children who are struggling to make or maintain friends.

### SEND news

What should I do if I think my child may have special educational needs? If parents/carers are concerned that their child has SEN they should discuss their concerns first with their child's class teacher. If after this conversation they still have concerns they should make an appointment to discuss them with the Special Educational Needs Disability (SEND) Coordinator or Family Liaison Worker through the school office.

### PE & School Sport News

This week has been fantastic for our school sports representatives. On Monday, 8 of our Year 4/5/6 students made the short visit to Walkern School where we played in a feisty football match and ended up winning 1-0. Lots of hard work and effort got us through this match battling through the sunset.

On Tuesday, 8 of our Year 6 students went to Barnwell leisure centre to participate in a rowing competition. Completing a 4000m indoor row between them! The students then nominated Mr Newlands into the staff race where he won a silver medal, 0.4 seconds off gold!

Well done all, great week for our school 🏆🏊

### 👕 Uniform at a Glance - The Leys School

✨ Please ensure all clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name.

Winter Uniform: <https://www.leys.herts.sch.uk/nad-parent-toolkit.html>

- Top: White polo shirt
- Bottom: Black trousers OR black skirt OR black pinafore dress (No leggings)
- Outerwear: Red cardigan OR school red sweatshirt OR school red fleece
- Socks/Tights: White or black school socks; tights can be red or black
- Shoes: Black school shoes

PE Kit:

- Top: Plain white t-shirt
- Bottom: Plain black shorts OR plain black jogging bottoms
- Footwear: Black plimsolls or trainers (plain white or black preferred)
- Outerwear: Red cardigan OR school sweatshirt OR school red fleece

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## What is child sexual exploitation?

# NSPCC

Child sexual exploitation (CSE) is a type of child sexual abuse. It occurs where an individual or group takes advantage of an imbalance of power to coerce, manipulate or deceive a child or young person under the age of 18 into sexual activity.

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/child-abuse-and-neglect/child-sexual-exploitation>

## 🎄 Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day 🎄

Join us for a festive celebration!

✨ Wear a festive jumper

✨ Wear a festive hat

✨ Add something sparkly

✨ Or simply dress up to party and join the fun!

Date: 17th December 2025

**Come ready to celebrate, sparkle, and spread Christmas cheer!**

## Parent Partnership sessions

- 4 Dec iRock concert 2.25-3 pm
- 5 Dec Stay & Share Books Y1 - Y6 from 2:30 pm
- 10 Dec Choir performance 3.45pm
- 11 Dec Y1 Christmas play 9.30 - 10.30
- 11 Dec Y2 Nativity 2-3 pm
- 11 Dec Dance Club Christmas 3.15 pm
- 12 Dec Y6 Curriculum Fair 2.30 pm
- 16 Dec EYFS Christmas Stay & Share 9 - 9.30 am & 2.30 - 3 pm (infant hall)

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## Term dates 2025-2026

### AUTUMN TERM

Start of term: 4 September 2025  
 Inset day: 3 September 2025  
                     24 October 2025  
 Term: 3 September - 24 October 2025  
Half-term holiday: 27 October - 31 October 2025

**Occasional day: 1 December 2025**  
 Term: 3 November - 19 December 2025  
Christmas holiday: 22 December - 2 January 2026

### SPRING TERM

Inset day: 5 January 2026  
 Start of term: 6 January - 13 February 2026  
Half-term holiday: 16 February - 20 February 2026  
 Term: 23 February- 27 March 2026  
Easter holiday: 30 March - 10 April 2026

### SUMMER TERM

Term: 13 April - 22 May 2026  
 Bank Holiday: 4 May 2026  
Half-term holiday: 25 May - 29 May 2026  
 Inset day: 1 June 2026  
                     23 July 2026  
 Term: 2 June - 23 July 2026  
Summer holiday: 24 July 2026 - 31 August 2026

Inset Days 2025 - 2026  
 3 September 2025  
 24 October 2025  
 1 December (Occasional day) 2025  
 5 January 2026  
 1 June 2026  
 23 July 2026

## Term dates 2026-2027

### AUTUMN TERM

Start of term: 2 September 2026  
 Inset day: 1 September 2026  
 Term: 2 September - 23 October 2026  
Half-term holiday: 26 October - 30 October 2026

Occasional day: 4 December 2026  
 Term: 2 November - 18 December 2026  
Christmas holiday: 22 December - 2 January 2027

### SPRING TERM

Start of term: 4 January - 12 February 2027  
Half-term holiday: 15 February - 19 February 2027  
 Term: 22 February- 25 March 2027  
Easter holiday: 26 March - 9 April 2027

### SUMMER TERM

Term: 12 April - 28 May 2027  
 Bank Holiday: 3 May 2027  
Half-term holiday: 31 May - 4 June 2027  
 Term: 7 June - 19 July 2027  
 Inset day: 19 July 2027  
                     20 July 2027  
                     21 July 2027  
                     22 July 2027

Summer holiday: 19 July 2027 - 1 September 2027  
 Inset day 1 September 2027  
 Pupils back to school 2 September 2027

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