



The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning Today ...Leading Tomorrow

Friday 5th May 2023

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

- 8 May -Bank holiday for the Kings Coronation, school closed
- 9-12 May -Y6 SATS week
- 15 May -King's Coronation non-uniform day, wear blue/white/red -no donation
- 15-19 May -International Week
- 18 May -EYFS parent workshop 9-10 am
- 22-26 May -Healthy Living Week
- 25 May -EYFS parent workshop 9-10 am
- 26 May -Break the Rules Day
- 29 May-2 June -Half term
- 8 Jun -Year 2 school trip
- 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	Mason
Murphy	Antoni
Kerr	Gabriella
Bryon	Antonia
Donaldson	Aadi
Soundar	Benjamin
Dahl	Lilly
Gavin	Robert
Mante	Chelsea
Morpurgo	Amber
Riordan	Mya
Zephaniah	Mitchell
Malala	Charlie
Blackman	Hollie
Kipling	Elizabeth



Times Tables Leaders

Well done to
Alfie H
Paige
Maggie

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

Friendship Award	Year R - Charlie S
Headteachers Awards	
Year 2	Benjamin
Year 3	Lewi
Year 4	Thando, Tamaya, Isla, Mia, Kaan, Filips, Nellie, Jacob, Chelsea, Emma, Octavian, Grace, Ava Mai, Olly, Millie, Gabriella, Glynn, Ethan, Fiza, Devon, Emma, Millie, Mia
Year 5	Shikana, Naomi, Olive, Ivy, Rebecca
Year 6	Phebe, Bailey

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:

- Soundar - Purple Mash Games**
- Gavin - PJ Day**
- Zephaniah - Purple Mash Games**

UPDATE

(Modern Foreign Language) French

French is only formally taught in Key Stage 2. Although all classes will be participating in our International Week 15-19th May, when Reception and Nursery will be learning about France, Year 1 Romania, Year 2 Brazil, Year 3 USA, Year 4 Pakistan, Year 5 Nigeria and Year 6 Japan.

Currently in Year 3 they are learning to name instruments in French.

https://www.languageangels.com/schools/public/uploads/pic_vocabulary_sheet/1662035373.pdf

Year 4 are revising days of the week and months and learning about seasons and weather.

https://www.languageangels.com/schools/public/uploads/pupil_vocabulary/1682410903.pdf

Year 5 are revising numbers to 100 and learning to say the date.

https://www.languageangels.com/schools/public/uploads/pic_vocabulary_sheet/1661432210.pdf

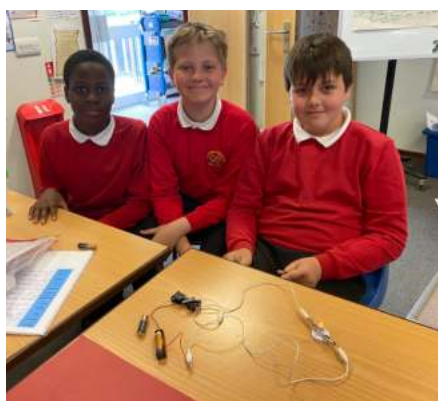
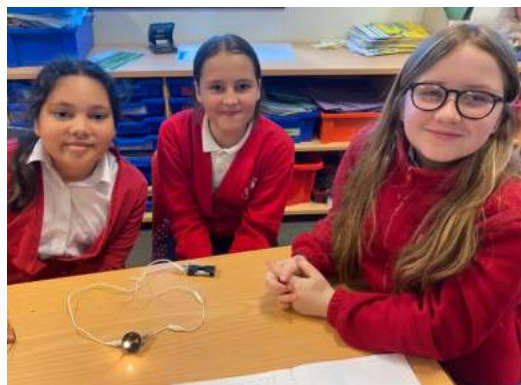
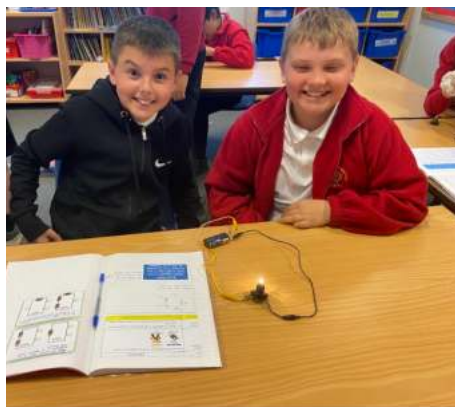
Year 6 are learning to talk about their family and how old they are whilst revising numbers and relations.

https://www.languageangels.com/schools/public/uploads/pupil_vocabulary/1682410182.pdf

CLASS OF THE WEEK:
Blackman



Blackman class have been busy creating circuits this week. We have looked at the different components of a circuit (including voltage restraints and troubleshooting) and have learnt the difference between a series circuit and a parallel circuit.



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Class: Antonia,
Zephaniah Class

Zephaniah class have been writing instructions for making a delightful cake!

This is Antonia's introduction to the instructions:
Are you sick and tired of having the same plain old cake every birthday? (how tedious!) Do you have a burning desire to try a new dessert - using ingredients you probably have lying around - to tickle your tastebuds? Well, this recipe is a piece of cake! Just follow these simple instructions and you may discover your new favourite tempting treat!

Spiritual, Moral, Social, Cultural and British Values



This week, the children in Year 1 have been learning all about the King's Coronation which is taking place this weekend. The children have discussed what a coronation is, what will happen this weekend on the coronation and lots more! They have produced some great written work, art work and colouring!



The children are also super excited to have a Coronation Tea Party next week along with the rest of the school to celebrate the King's coronation.



WELLBEING



Good luck for those sitting SATs next week here are a few top tips to help you through the week!

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Whole school attendance target
= 97%

Whole school attendance this
week = 95.2%

Best class attendance this week
= Mante 97.7%

The Leys Have Talent

Eryka, in reception, attends a dance club at Molly Vickers School of Dancing. She recently completed her ballet exam and passed!

Well Done Eryka, Keep up the good work!



The month of June will be dedicated to celebrating and empowering our pupils about future careers

We would like to invite our parents/carers/relatives to visit our school and talk to our pupils about their jobs. We would appreciate and welcome talks from all careers

Please call or email admin@leys.hert.sch.uk with your details and preferred year group, thank you

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Government advice and trusted resources to help safeguard students from radicalisation, build resilience to all types of extremism and promote shared values.

[Online safety - Educate Against Hate](#)

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The Kings Coronation

Year 3/4 Times-Tables Club at lunchtime take part in different activities while having a round the table quiz in all times-tables. This helps the children remember answers quickly. This week we have been decorating coronation biscuits while shooting times-table questions at each other.



Parents & Carers

Exploitation, Gangs &
Knife Crime Awareness

Anti-knife crime charity, The Ben Kinsella Trust has launched a **FREE** online course for **ALL** parents and carers.

Exploitation, Gangs and Knife Crime Awareness sessions are a two-part course delivered over two evening sessions (May 16th and 23rd 7-9pm) These sessions are delivered by an ex-Met Officer and come highly recommended.

The link to secure your space is here-

<https://benkinsella.org.uk/parents-carers-workshops/>

These are available nationally, so please book soon to avoid missing out!

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The Leys Choir



Last Sunday, in the middle of the 1st Bank Holiday weekend, several members of The Leys School Choir sang in London at The Royal Albert Hall!

It was the day of the much anticipated Herts Music Service Gala 2023. This fantastic event happens only once every two years.

Our choir members were right at the front of the stage and so they had an amazing view of this beautiful concert hall, built for Prince Albert, husband of our famous Queen Victoria.

The children had practised and memorised the songs over many weeks. Some of the songs were brand new for them, others were vaguely familiar and one in particular was a favourite! In fact, if you come to the School Fair on Friday, 16th June you will hear their favourite song from this concert! No spoilers!

Our choir members sang beautifully and Mrs Gwinnett was especially proud of how well they watched the conductor for when to come in and when to finish the ends of words. We sang with about 40 other Hertfordshire primary schools, several secondary school choirs and a full live orchestra!

It was a wonderful uplifting experience to take part in and the children had a very enjoyable day, which they will probably remember for a lifetime!

A big thank you must go to Mr Blanch and Mrs Fonseca for all the work they did behind the scenes connected with this trip. Without their hard work and commitment this trip would not have taken place.

Healthy Living Week 22-26 May- We need you!

We're looking for speakers/visitors to come in and talk to year groups about healthy living. If any parents/carers work in the health industry/NHS or wellbeing we'd love to hear from you. Please contact the school office if you're able to help.

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

Term dates 2022-2023

SUMMER TERM

Term: 17 April - 20 July

Bank Holiday: 8 May

Half term holiday: 29 May 2023 -
2 June 2023

Term: 5 June-20 July

Inset day: 21 July 2023

Summer holiday: 24 July 2023 -
31 August 2023

Inset Days 2022-2023

21 July 2023

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

