



The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning TodayLeading Tomorrow

Star of the Week

Class	Pupil
Campbell	Khodie
Murphy	Kenny
Benjamin	Lucas
Kerr	Hughclyd
Bryon	Skylie
Donaldson	Evangeline
Soundar	Jomi
Dahl	Lulu
Gavin	India
Russell	Albie
Morpurgo	Jake
Riordan	Maaya
Zephaniah	Oscar
Lawrence	Moyo
Hargrave	Ida



Times Tables Leaders

Well done to...

1. Nifemi A
2. Fraiser D
3. Maya R

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

Friday 5th December 2025

We hope pupils will come home bursting with excitement after the special Christmas surprise of meeting the **Christmasaurus!**

All pupils will base their festival writing on this book and will have the opportunity to share their own versions with one another.

All key dates can be found in our newsletter, on the school website, and via SchoolComms. Please double-check these to avoid missing any important information.

Thank you for your support during this busy and joyful time of year.

Kind regards,

Mrs Khangura

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

- 10 Dec Choir in hall 3.45pm
- 11 Dec Y1 Christmas play 9.30 -10.30
- 11 Dec Y2 Nativity 2-3 pm
- 11 Dec Dance Club 3.15 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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Maya R

Attendance Wheel of Reward

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



This week's winners & rewards:

Kerr - Choose your own timetable

Soundar - Sports games

Russell - Extra break

Hargave - PJ day

Friends of The Leys - PTA

Together so far we've raised...

October School disco 2025

£1,324.25

We have raised £348.66p for the Poppy Appeal.

Thank you

Ten Year 6 children are again working as part of this county wide programme. This term they were challenged to come up with fun, creative, and inspiring ways to encourage their peers to practise the 5 Ways to Wellbeing in school. They had to think about how they could bring these to life in our school so that everyone feels included, supported and inspired. They decided to do their own version of Secret Santa, where all the year 6 children picked another child to be kind to, look out for and create small gifts for each other at no cost.

SEND news

How will the school support my child?

- Teachers will adjust lessons as appropriate. All classes provide children with a range of age appropriate resources and scaffolding to support access to learning and the year group curriculum. These include visual resources around the walls and on desks including alphabets, word mats, graphic organisers, number lines and a visual timetable and practical equipment, such as Dienes or Numicon.
- Staff will make ongoing formative assessments of all children in their class and plan lessons carefully to ensure all make good progress. Staff also provide high quality modelling of expected learning and some children require more scaffolding, over learning or support in order to learn a new concept or overcome a misconception and this is provided by both class teachers and teaching assistants according to need.
- Given the above support, if children are still struggling to make expected progress, additional assessment and support can be provided through small group or one-to-one additional lessons. These can occur after school or during the school day (where possible avoiding children missing core subjects or PE). These sessions can occur once a week or more regularly and are provided by both teachers and specially trained teaching assistants. This additional support is overseen by the SENDCo and Leader for Disadvantaged Pupils.

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

Empathy

Inclusivity

Respect

Aspirations

Determination

Empowerment

- Footwear: Black plimsolls or trainers (plain white or black preferred)
- Outerwear: Red cardigan OR school sweatshirt OR school red fleece

What is child sexual exploitation?

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.

NSPCC

<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

- **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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