



The Leys Primary & Nursery School Newsletter

Learning TodayLeading Tomorrow

Star of the Week

Class	Pupil
Campbell	Maya
Benjamin	Rhodie
Murphy	Katrina
Kerr	Savion
Bryon	Richard
Donaldson	Aku
Soundar	Dotty
Dahl	Victoria
Gavin	Poppy
Russell	India
Morpurgo	Bay
Riordan	Grayson
Jackson	Mo
Lawrence	Leah
Hargrave	Lucie



Times Tables Leaders

Well done to...

1. Luthando M
2. Carla G
3. Evelyn H

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

Friday 25th September 2026

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

28 Sep Individual photographs
 2 Oct Y4 Wymondley Woods parent meeting 3:30
 5 Oct Harvest week
 8 Oct Phonics meeting EYFS 9.00-9.45 am
 8 Oct PGL meeting Y6 parents 3.30-4 pm
 16 Oct School Disco
 16 Oct Year 2 Shepreth trip
 16 Oct School Open Tour 9.30 - 11am
 16 Oct Year 6 Curriculum Fair
 20 Oct Diwali Dance Workshop
 21 Oct Y3 Celtic harmony
 21 & 22 Oct Parents' evening
 23 Oct PTA Non-uniform day
 26 - 30 Oct Half term
 1 - 4 Nov PGL
 2 Nov Poppy Appeal
 6 Nov Stay and Share 2.30-3.15 pm (Y1 - Y6)
 9-13 Nov Bikeability Y5 and Y6
 10 Nov School open tour 9.30 -11 am
 11 Nov Remembrance Day
 12 Nov Odd Socks Day
 13 Nov Kindness Day
 20 Nov Children in Need
 23 Nov School open tour 1.30 - 3 pm
 27 Nov Enterprise Day 2 pm
 30 Nov Take one book
 30 Nov School open tour 1.30 - 3 pm
 3 Dec Y1 Shuttleworth trip
 4 Dec Occasional Day
 9 Dec Y1 Christmas Performance 9.30 am
 9 Dec Y2 Christmas Performance 2 pm
 10 Dec iRock concert 2.30 pm
 16 Dec Christmas Dinner
 18 Dec Early finish 12.30
 21 Dec -1 Jan 2027 Christmas holiday
 4 Jan Children return to school
 6 Jan Whole School Pantomime

School Email response: We aim to respond to all communications within 72 hours (working days). Please note that some enquiries may require further input from relevant staff and may therefore take up to 5 working days to receive a full response. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Kindness Award

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Logan

Attendance Wheel of Reward

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



This week's winners:

Benjamin - Friday non-uniform on 2/10/26

Donaldson - Extra long play with games

Morpurgo - Choose your own timetable

Hargrave - Yes day on 2/10/26

Class teachers will send a message with a date, if children are required to bring/wear something different from home.

Our current isolation period for diarrhoea and sickness is 24 hours

Friends of The Leys - PTA
We have raised a total of £4,467.61 last academic year.
Thank you

A Great Start to the Term!

A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for helping our pupils settle into such positive routines this term. It has been wonderful to see children arriving ready to learn, following our school routines and making such a positive start.

We are also delighted to see so many pupils achieving excellent attendance and arriving at school on time each day. Being in school regularly and on time makes such an important difference to children's learning, friendships and confidence. Thank you for your continued support with this.

We also have spaces available in a number of our after-school clubs. If your child would like to take part, please check the information sent by the school and book a place where spaces are available. These clubs are a fantastic opportunity for pupils to develop new skills, have fun and enjoy time with their friends.

Thank you once again for your continued support in helping our children have such a positive start to the school year.

Thank you

Mrs Khangura



Children Wellbeing Practitioners (CWPs)

The Children's Wellbeing Practitioner Service provides early intervention emotional wellbeing and mental health support to children and young people aged 5-19 who would benefit from early intervention, low intensity support. This support is provided through online workshops, 1-1 and group interventions.

The Children's Wellbeing Practitioners (CWPs) also provide one off support through parent workshops. A referral is not required to access a workshop. You can book onto a workshop via this link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hct-childrens-wellbeing-practitioners-33494371787>

Children's Wellbeing Practitioners (CWPs) are trained to deliver low intensity manualised guided self-help support for anxiety, low mood and behaviours that challenge. Manualised guided self-help involves the CWP working through a booklet or handouts alongside the parent/carer and child.

https://forms.hct.nhs.uk/xf_CWPReferral/eForm/#!/Page1

The CWPs have recorded a two part webinar focused on school based anxiety which includes: anxiety psychoeducation and strategies and tips to support children who are currently struggling with attending school due to anxiety. The links to these videos and the resources to support are at the bottom of the page.

<https://www.hct.nhs.uk/service-details/service/childrens-wellbeing-practitioners-21/>

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SEND news

What should I do if I think my child may have special educational needs?

If parent/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.

Uniform at a Glance - The Leys School

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

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

- Top: White polo shirt OR red checked dress
- Bottom: Black trousers OR black skirt OR black school shorts
- Outerwear: Red cardigan OR school red sweatshirt OR school red fleece
- Socks: White or black school socks
- Shoes: Black school shoes
- Hat: Cap or bucket style hat to be worn on the playground

PE Kit:

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

Parents are encouraged to apply a high factor, long lasting sunscreen before children come to school. Children may bring in a named sunscreen to apply themselves during the day.

Lost property reminder: Please label all uniform & belongings with your child's name. Unclaimed unnamed items will be recycled/added to pre-loved uniform.

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Currently we are very short of the following items for the playground -

Dolls, Buggies, Action figures, Animals, Dinosaurs, Barbies, Toy cars, Big cars / diggers / tractors, Playhouses, Play food and Digging tools - buckets, spades, trowels, hand fork.

If you have any of these items you no longer need please put them in the OPAL collection box by nursery.

Many thanks

The OPAL team

What is Families First?

Families First is the term used in Hertfordshire for services that work together to support families who need extra help. These are also known as early help services.



We all experience difficulties at some point. Families First can help you find early help and information to prevent issues from getting worse.

If you need more help than your usual support network - for example your health visitor, school, doctor or family centre - we can work with you and your family to create a package of support. [Ask for support](#)

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/microsites/families-first/families-first.aspx>

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Parent Partnership sessions (with engagement tracker)

- 3 Sep New to Year 3: Good Attendance- please refer to Year group webpage for further information
- 4 Sep New to Year 4: Excellent Attendance- please refer to Year group webpage for further information
- 7 Sep New to Year 2: Excellent Attendance- please refer to Year group webpage for further information
- 8 Sep New to Year 5: Average Attendance - please refer to Year group webpage for further information
- 17 Sep Library opening: Good Attendance
- 8 Oct Phonics meeting EYFS
- 8 Oct Year 6 PGL Trip Meeting
- Year 6 Curriculum Fair
- 21 & 22 Oct Parents' evening
- 6 Nov Stay and Share

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: 21 December - 1 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 - 1 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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Term dates 2027-2028

AUTUMN TERM

Start of term: 2 September 2027
 Inset day: 1 September 2027
 Term: 2 September - 22 October 2027
Half-term holiday: 25 October - 29 October 2027

Occasional day: 3 December 2027
 Term: 1 November - 17 December 2027
Christmas holiday: 20 December - 3 January 2028

SPRING TERM

Start of term: 5 January - 11 February 2028
 Inset day 4 January 2028
Half-term holiday: 14 February - 18 February 2028
 Term: 21 February- 31 March 2028
Easter holiday: 3 April- 17 April 2028

SUMMER TERM

Term: 18 April - 26 May 2028
 Bank Holiday: 1 May 2028
Half-term holiday: 29 May - 2 June 2028

Term: 5 June - 19 July 2028
 Inset day: 20 July 2028
 21 July 2028
 24 July 2028

Summer holiday: 19 July 2028 - 1 September 2028
 Inset day 4 September 2028

Pupils back to school 5 September 2028

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