

The Leys Primary and Nursery School



4 October



Accelerating progress



Enriching wellbeing



Promoting partnerships

Thought of the week next week

Choose to be optimistic.
"It feels better"

Dalai Lama



Star of the Week

Zephaniah	Francis
Anderson	Lilly
Sendak	Thomas
Carle	Jensen
Hargreaves	Ellanora
Ahlberg	Alex
Wilson	Christina
Dahl	Jake
Freedman	Jack
Strong	Teagan
Pratchett	James
Morpurgo	Abigail
Tolkien	Alex
Lewis	Kelsey
Rosen	Ruby
Shakespeare	Melissa
Dickens	Regan

Important dates coming up

Next week

8/10/19 YEAR 2 trip to WHIPSNADE ZOO
10/10/19 World Mental Health Day
10/10/19 Stevenage Cross country

Coming up

14/10/19 E-safety assembly PARENTS 2.15-3.15
18/10/19 HALLOWEEN DISCO
22-23/10/19 Parent Consultations
25/10/19 Year 5 Assembly for Parents/Carers 9.15
28/10/19-01/11/19 HALF TERM HOLIDAY
02/12/19 SCHOOL CLOSED Occasional Day

THE LEYS LEARNING VALUE AUTUMN

equality

Class of the Week

Year 3

The friendship cup is presented to:

Francis—Year 3

The best attendance award is presented to

Sendak, Dahl, Pratchett and Tolkien

100% punctuality award is presented to:

Hargreaves and Wilson

Headteacher Awards

- Y1 Nellie M
- Y2 Emmy, Perla, Isabella
- Y3 Lola S, Holly N, Lucianna
- Y4
- Y5 Hannah, Lizzie, Aruba, Ife, Tilly-Mai



We are fundraising for YOUNG MINDS on

THURSDAY 10 OCTOBER for World Mental Health Day. **ALL PUPILS TO WEAR YELLOW** and bring £1 contribution.

ALL PARENTS/CARERS of pupils aged 3-11 are invited to attend a very important meeting in school : KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE 14 October 2.15-3.15 p.m.

NURSERY GO WALKABOUT!!!



This week our Nursery pupils went on a Listening walk, as part of science week. The BIG QUESTION they were asked was: What can we hear outside?. They even made wonderful big ears to learn about their senses. We hope you could hear the sounds of nature when you went on your walk!!!



Come along to our Halloween Disco on the 18th October!!!!!!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

PUPIL TARGET: 95%+ attendance for EVERY pupil

Anderson	Zephaniah	Carle	Sendak	Ahlberg	Hargreaves	Wilson	Freedman
			2	2	8	11	4
Dahl	Pratchett	Morpurgo	Strong	Lewis	Tolkien	Shakespeare	Dickens
6	4	6		5	7		

Good News! 4 classes had 100% attendance (Sendak, Dahl, Pratchett and Tolkien)

Bad News! No classes earned BONUS POINTS for being HERE EVERY DAY and ON TIME last week



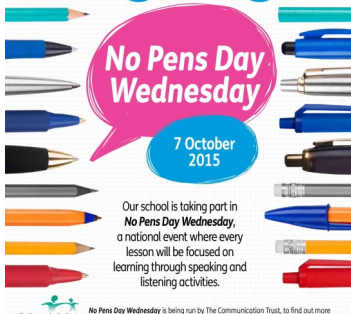
THE BOOK BUS!

On Tuesday the Book People brought THE BOOK PEOPLE BUS to the Leys and some luck pupils had the opportunity to buy a book! One of the most important things we do is to teach our pupils to read—so thank you for your support with helping us promote the very important life skill.



Wednesday was a great day in school as all our pupils spent the whole learning using talk! All the research shows that this is the most important skill we can give our children—the gift of communication.

We're putting down our pens and picking up our language!





Science Week



This week the children explored the school grounds and carry out various activities focusing on working scientifically.

Reception- have gone on a bug hunt and investigated leaves.

Year 1- have investigated if all leaves are the same.

Year 2- made bug hotels.

Year 3- carried out an investigation involving woodlice and found out if they only turn left.

Year 4- created their own experiment to assess the different

levels of rainfall around the school site.

Year 5- experimented with different types of leaves to see how much water they absorbed.

Year 6- built their own equipment to measure micro-climates.

Well done everyone! We have a school full of amazing young scientists with a greater appreciation for their surroundings.



Look at Our Fabulous Homework

I have really enjoyed all the amazing homework many pupils have been showing me; from very thoughtful and topical research our Y4 pupils have made on climate change the role Greta Thunberg has had to play; Year 5 pupils exploring space, and human and animal encounters in space, an incredible Kapok tree in Y3 and a wonderful rocket in Y2!! Well done everyone! I



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 10/10/19 World Mental Health Day
 10/10/19 Stevenage Cross Country
 14/10/19 E-safety PARENTS 2.15-3.15
 16/10/19 Stevenage Dodgeball pm Y5
 18/10/19 HALLOWEEN DISCO
 22-23/10/19 Height/Weight Y6
 Parent Consultations
 24/10/19 Fundraise for plastic free oceans
 24/10/19 INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS
 25/10/19 Year 5 Assembly for Parents and Carers 9.15
 25/10/19 Year 3 Stay and share
28/10/19-01/11/19 HALF TERM HOLIDAY
NOVEMBER
 1/11/19 Year 5 Family Friday reading
 04/11/19 Year 6 at MANOR ADVENTURE
 Rec-Y5 Flu sprays
 08/11/19 Year 4 Stay and share
 14/11/19 Mini Olympics Y3/4
 15/11/19 Year 3 Family Friday reading
 15/11/19 CHILDREN IN NEED fundraiser
 20/11/19 Stevenage Table Tennis
 22/11/19 Year 1 Stay and share
 25/11/19 Y6 Flu Sprays
 25/11/19 Cycle training ALL WEEK
 28/11/19 KS1 balance festival
 29/11/19 Year 6 Family Friday reading
02/12/19 SCHOOL CLOSED Occasional Day
03/12/19 WRITING WEEK

CLASS WILSON: On 'No Pens Day' Wilson Class played some listening games including Chinese whis-pers which we improved at whilst we were playing as practising really helped. After that we played some memory games, starting with I packed my bag where we imagined what we would take with us to the rain-forest. Then we played What's in the box, there were some objects in the tray and Miss Glenister took an item out, we had to work out what was miss-ing. Next we played the emotions board game where we had to act out the emotion we landed on. In the afternoon we pre-pared for our next topic about the Stone Age with an Art lesson when



we paint-ed around our hands.



Term dates 2019-2020

Autumn first half

3 September 2019 - 25 October 2019

Half term holiday:

28 October 2019 - 1 November 2019

Autumn second half

4 November - 20 December 2019

Christmas holiday:

23 December 2019 - 6 January 2020

Spring first half

7 January - 14 February 2020

Half term holiday: 17 February 2020 - 21 February 2020

Spring second half

24 February - 3 April 2020

Easter holiday: 6 April 2020 - 17 April 2020

Summer first half

20 April - 22 May 2020

Half term holiday: 25 May 2020 - 29 May 2020

Summer second half

2 June -17 July

Summer holiday: 20 July 2020 - 2 September 2020

Start of term: 2 September 2020

INSET DAYS

2 September 2019

2 December 2019 Occasional day

6 January 2020

1 June 2020

20 -21 July 2020

Writer of the Week : By Ruby B. Rosen Y5

A nightmare come true.

Along time ago, something scary happened, very scary indeed. It was a life changing moment. So listen carefully, 2 years ago, an accident hap-pened which changed my life forever. I felt pain and sadness and I still feel it now in my bleeding soul. But now, please read this and share with family and friends because this is a story you may never forget.

It was midnight (12pm). I was walking on the cruise ship (which was called the Big Bang). I was amazed but very terrified at the same time. I walked in with my very large suitcase. It was hu-mungous! I started to stroll over to my over sized room, I was shocked from how large it was. I put my suitcase down and jumped on the bed which was really cozy and comfy! It was amazing, it was definitely one of the best holidays ever! Well, that's what I thought...

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