

The Leys Primary and Nursery

10 July 2020



Accelerating progress



Enriching wellbeing



Promoting partnerships



Inspiration of the week



Well done to our Early Years Team who have been awarded the Early Years Quality Standards GOLD AWARD. They have worked hard all year to meet the very high standards required. One focus was to improve boys writing, and we were all extremely please



MEET THE TEACHER!

Important dates coming up

Week starting
Online Google Meets with new teachers start next week.
17 July: Year 6 Leavers Field Disco
2 September: INSET DAY
3 September: pupils start school

THE LEYS LEARNING VALUE SUMMER

Compassion



NEW GUIDANCE FOR SEPTEMBER PUBLISHED THIS WEEK. FURTHER INFORMATION FOR PARENTS and CARERS HOME SOON

The Leys Primary and Nursery school will be closed during the summer holidays. **School will close on 17th July at 2.30 p.m. for ALL.**

The highlight of the week in Year 5— Lewis

This week our learners had fun revising fractions. Each learner got a roll of Mentos sweets and used them to consolidate their understanding of this concept. We also created a pirate map which we painted.



The highlight of the week in Reception-Zephaniah

This week in Zephaniah the children have been making and trying ice cream. Our favourite flavour was chocolate on Thursday and Friday and vanilla on Monday and Tuesday. We also enjoyed making ice cream.



TERM DATES FOR 2020-2021

Inset day: 2 September
Start of term: 3 September 2020
Term: 3 September -23 October
Half term holiday: 26 October 2020 - 30 October 2020
Inset day: 2 November
Term: 3 November -18 December
Occasional Day: 7 December
Christmas holiday: 21 December 2020 - 3 January 2021
Inset day: 4 January
Term: 5 January - 12 February
Half term holiday: 15 February 2021 - 19 February 2021
Term : 22 February-26 March 2021
Easter holiday: 29 March 2021 - 9 April 2021
Half term holiday: 31 May 2021 - 4 June 2021
Inset Day: 7 June
Inset day 22 July

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The highlight of the week in Year 2

This week in Year 2 we have been enjoying our virtual sports day. We had great fun doing side jumps over a pillow, completing squat jumps and jumping over objects in our obstacle course. Our favourite was the pairing and throwing socks into the bucket activity. We also made a Rainbow Multiple of people joining hands to show support for our community and the key workers.



The highlight of the week in the Key Worker pod (Wilson class)

Well done to Ollie. He had an amazing day yesterday and managed to answer most of the questions in the class quiz. What a star!!!

What a great afternoon I had today! I looked out my window there there was a wonderful surprise!!! The pupils in the key worker pod in Year 2 had made me a wonderful message!

THANK YOU MS HUMPHRIES

Thank you everyone. It was an amazing surprise!!!



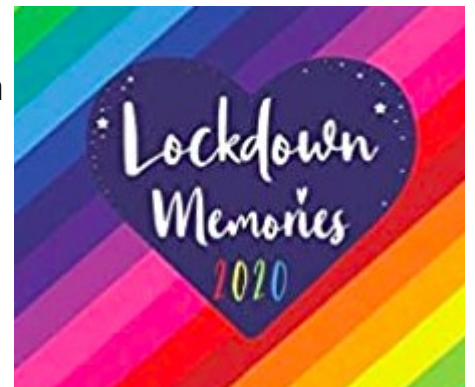
The highlight of the week in Year 5 - Rosen

This week, Rosen class has been using Google Classroom to share their best memories of Lockdown 2020. Ella enjoyed her 10th birthday in lockdown and did lots of baking. Karam also did baking, grew plants and enjoyed clapping for the NHS. Many of the children have made great

When the world had to stay apart memories which will last a lifetime!

TOGETHER

Was our favourite place to be



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The highlight of the week in Year 4

This week in year 4 we have been celebrating sports week.

The children have been so determined and have persevered in every activity.

Each child has earned many points for their house.

Well done to you all!



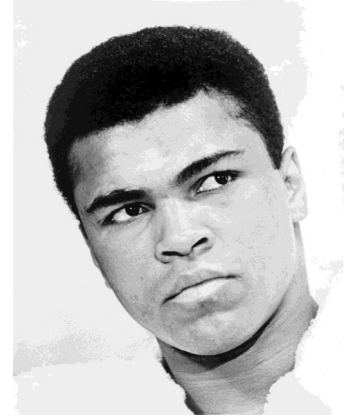
The highlight of the week Year 3—Freedman

Freedman class were very active on Google Meet this week! We had a fantastic game of scattegories and even spoke about our pets! Take a look at Hol-lie's new guinea pigs Coco and Rebekah!



The highlight of the week in Year 3—Dahl

This weeks shout out goes to Veda Kishore who created a wonderful presentation on Mohammed Ali! Brilliant work and great research Veda, you are a superstar!



The highlight of the week in Reception—Anderson



The highlight of the week in the Key worker pod (in the Y2 building!)

This week, to coincide with our virtual PE week, we looked at what it takes to maintain not only a healthy body through exercise but also a healthy lifestyle with the foods that we eat. A healthy diet means eating a variety of foods that gives us the nutrients we need to maintain our health, to help us feel good and to give us energy. We created our own plates to show the types of food we eat and how they help us grow.

This week our theme has been 'ice cream'. The children have loved making ice cream in a bag. The children added milk, sugar and vanilla to a bag, then put this in a bigger bag and added ice and salt. The children then had fun shaking the bag until the milk turned to ice cream. It was very messy but great fun!



The highlight of the week in Year 4-Morpurgo

My Lockdown poem by Ellen
Lots more time to spend with family
Oh how bored I am.
Coronavirus is making me scared
Kindness from everyone makes people
less frightened.
Dance classes are now on zoom
Out of things to do
Will I ever be able to hug my friends again.
Now I miss everyone loads

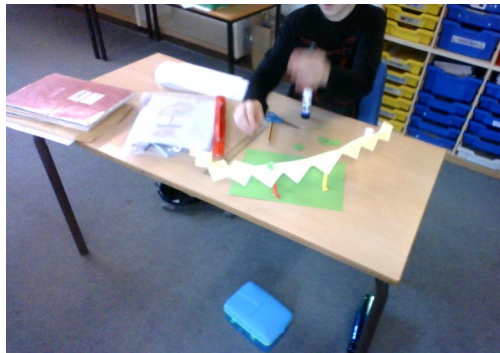
Morpurgo's highlight of the week this week is some beautiful poetry we have been working on! We have looked at acrostic poems and shared our feelings using this. Ellen wrote a beautiful poem sharing her feelings and emotions about lockdown!

The highlight of the week in Year 3-Wilson

Wilson class have had a lot of fun this week. The children in school have all taken part in the sports day activities striving to improve their scores. We have also been doing the daily mile, Miss Glenister has been so impressed with our effort. We then created our own challenges to see who could hold a plank for the longest and who could skip over the ankle ball the most.

The highlight of the week in Year 5 –Tolkien

As well as activities for Sports Day, we have focussed on being creative this week. We have written character descriptions from pictures. In honour of the topic we would normally study at this time of the year, we have been drawing in the style of Greek Pottery art. Last of all, we have made paper models called skillies in the shape of dinosaurs!



The highlight of the week in Nursery

In preparation for Bastille Day we have been learning a French nursery rhyme, Frere Jacques. Some children already knew the song in French and Mrs Stewart taught the children the song in English. After learning the song we all ate a French baguette with butter and jam. It was delicious!



The highlight of the week in Year 6—Shakespeare

In between Sports Day events and soaking Dr Christie and Mrs Davies(!), Shakespeare pod researched the work of the French artist Henri Matisse (1869 – 1954) who became known as the King of Colour. We learnt about how Matisse used paper cutting as a way to create his art when he became unwell when he was older. We were inspired to create our own painted panels which included contrasting organic and geometric cut-out shapes and lots of colour to mimic a stained-glass window.



The highlight of the week in Year 1—Sendak

We have really enjoyed completing our 60 second challenges for sports day this week. The favourite challenge was the obstacle course and the trickiest was socks in a box. The children supported each other with words of encouragement and cheering. Well done Sendak class, you worked so hard.



The highlight of the week in Year 1—Carle

This week in Carle our broad bean went mad and we had so much fun taking part in sports!!!!



The highlight of the week in Year 6-Shakespeare

The highlight of the week for Dickens class was most definitely the water fight! Being such a strange year, we were grateful to return to the 'normality' of Year 6 end-of-year celebrations, where we had an amazing time teaming up against our teachers and even each other!

