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OWN CLOTHES DAY 28 May Bring £1 donation to Friends of the Leys

Star of the Week

Class	Pupil
Zephaniah	Olivia
Anderson	Jennifer
Sendak	Betty
Carle	Lexie
Hargreaves	Nellie
Ahlberg	Isla
Dahl	Louise
Freedman	Lily
Strong	Apostolos
Pratchett	Jack
Morpurgo	Faith
Tolkien	Kimberley
Lewis	Salman
Rosen	Emily
Shakespeare	Joshua
Dickens	Tyler-Ray
Kipling	Charlie

HOLIDAYS

Please be aware that the government continues to regard holidays during term time as unauthorised unless there are exceptional circumstances to consider. Parents who decide to take pupils on holiday during term time may incur a fine.



TERM DATES 2021-2022

AUTUMN TERM

Inset day: 1 September

Start of term: 2 September 2020

Term: 2 September -22 October

Half term holiday: 25 October 2021 - 29 October 2021

Inset day: 1 November

Term: 2 November -21 December

Occasional Day: 6 December

Christmas holiday: 22 December 2021 - 4 January 2022

SPRING TERM

Inset day: 5 January

Term: 6 January - 11 February

Half term holiday: 14 February 2022 - 18 February 2022

Term : 21 February-01 April 2022

Easter holiday: 4 April 2022 - 18 April 2022

SUMMER TERM

Term: 19 April - 27 May 2022

Half term holiday: 30 May 2022 - 3 June 2022

Inset Day: 6 June

Term: 7 June-21 July 2022

Inset day 22 July

Summer holiday: 25 July 2022 - 31 August 2022

Class of the week	Dickens
Friendship Cup	
Headteacher Awards	YEAR
Ife	SIX
	FIVE
Veda Charlie VG Faith Rylan	FOUR
Antonia	THREE
	TWO
Freddie Oliver Afia Emily Alyssa Jasper Sophia Pearl Ava Freddie	ONE
Lenny Olivia Hunter Harlie Ocean Noah Lexi Ronnie Lucy Hannah Samira Mia Dhyay Jayden Cooper Hailey	RECEPTION

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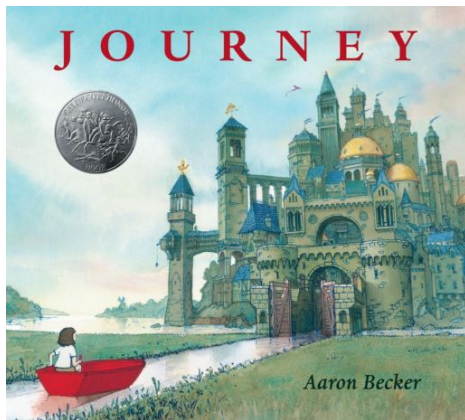
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Aaron Becker

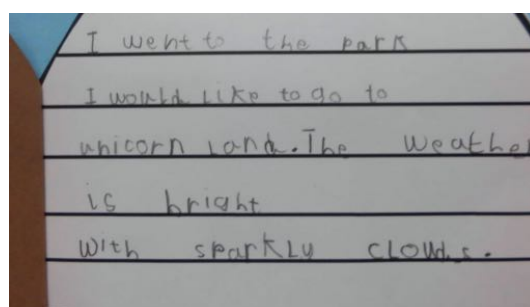
By Aaron Becker

Year 1

"The soft black bunny is cute and fluffy, and it is hopping to the house. The caterpillar is green and yellow. He is going home. The owl is flying high in the sky" Brianna



"At fairyland I will fly and do lots of tricks, and play games with them. I ate magic food that made me have wings to fly!"
Fatimah



"I went to the park. I would like to go to unicorn land. The weather is bright with sparkly clouds"
Betty

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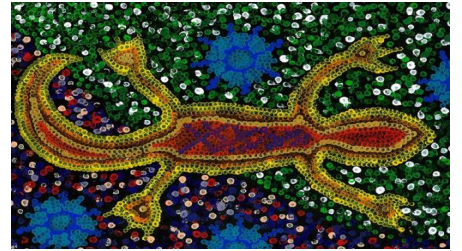
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Aboriginal Art

By Year 2



Fantastic Homework!

The Magic Crayon by Antonia Year 3

As they got closer they started to recognise this mysterious figure. "Of course" they thought. "It's a castle!" they cheered. They were still on their boat, until Izzy secretly found another crayon which was as powerful as the other one, but the only difference was that the colour was a midnight themed crayon instead of a rainbow one. Once they had these two crayons Ella was exhausted but unlike Izzy she wanted to find more of these unusual crayons. A few minutes later they both said "Can we try and find something else instead of crayons?" But immediately some mean looking guards began to chase Izzy (since she had all the crayons) right at the edge of a humongous deep waterfall! Izzy thought as fast as she could then she started to draw something complicated. She drew an...AEROPLANE!" ... By Antonia in Year 3 **WOW!!!!**

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CLASS OF THE WEEK



Inkpen class -Nursery

In Nursery children have been learning about land transport. We have had a chance to have a close look at Mrs Stewart's car and Mrs Balaban's bike . We have learnt how to stay safe while riding a bike or in a car. In the garden we set up a carwash and the children have had great fun washing the cars and scooters with soapy water and sponges. In cooking the children have made delicious cheese scones. We have made them healthier by adding grated courgettes.



Writer of the Week-
Nancy H

Writer of the week is **Nancy H of Year 3 Dahl**. She wrote about The Journey and what would happen if the girl in the story found another magical door to enter.

Suddenly, the girl and the boy drew a shiny, pink door that ended up back in the old airship again. The girl and the boy leaped over the noisy engines but as they did this...the boy disappeared! She had to find him, she had to save him. She kept walking and eventually saw a familiar sight, it was the bird's cage. But this time it wasn't a purple bird trapped inside...it was the boy!

Check out the rest of Nancy's story on the year 3 class display. Ah, the suspense!

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WELLBEING



It has been Mental Health week and I'm sure many of you will have seen and read information about this in the media. The theme has been about how getting in touch with nature can support all our mental health and below is a link to their website and a film with ideas for families to get involved.

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/campaigns/mental-health-awareness-week>

As staff and parents it is important that we look after our own mental health and well-being in order to help our children. As they say in aircraft 'put your own oxygen mask on first before helping others.'

It is important that we model to our children, without offloading our problems on them, how to seek help when we are struggling. As parents we need to recognise and acknowledge when we're feeling low or overwhelmed. Struggling with something or experiencing your own mental health problems does not make you a bad parent or carer.

It's completely normal to be worried, scared or helpless during difficult times, and feeling this way is nothing to be ashamed of.

Seek help from a friend, fellow parent or carer you trust enough to tell how you're feeling? Maybe there's family, friends or a colleague who could support you or allow you a break? There's plenty of help out there. You should never feel like you have to cope on your own. The Mental Health Leads in school, along with your GP surgery, can help you to find local services and support. Below is a link to the NHS self-assessment tool for anxiety and depression (two of the most common mental health conditions).

<https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/self-help/guides-tools-and-activities/depression-anxiety-self-assessment-quiz/>

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Spiritual, Moral, Social, Cultural and British Values

Over the past week the children in Year 4 have been learning about Judaism focusing on Mitzvah Day. The children have looked at all the different ways they can help others by joining in with the religious celebration. As the religious celebration Eid has been this week, several children who have been following Ramadan have been speaking to their class about how they celebrate at home



Don't forget to book on

☀️ **The Leys Fun and Games Club! Breakfast & After-School Club**

BREAKFAST CLUB

- Breakfast Club runs from 7.30am to 8:45 am and includes breakfast.
- Breakfast club costs £3.50 per child per day.
- Children must be signed into the club by whoever is bringing them to school.
- Children should not be dropped at the gate and sent into the club on their own. Breakfast on offer includes such choices as: cereal, toast, croissants, fruit, and fruit juices.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

- After School Club runs from 3.15 to 6.00 pm in two sessions:
- 3.15 - 5:00pm Session A £7.00 per day per child
- 3.15 - 6.00 pm Session B £8.50 per day per child
- A snack such as sandwiches, wraps, cheese, biscuits, and fruits are served to all children attending the after-school club.

Planned activities available may include:

- Creative art and crafts activities - painting, drawing, cutting, sticking and model making.
- Free play - activities chosen by your child.
- Imaginative play - dressing up and role play.
- Messy play - sand water clay and dough
- Outside play - depending on weather.
- Sports activities - organised by our PE staff.
- Various special events - disco, face painting, cooking, movie & popcorn

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