

# The Leys Primary and Nursery

24 January



Accelerating progress



Enriching wellbeing



Promoting partnerships



## Person of the week is

**Jane Goodall**  
Anthropologist



There is a powerful force unleashed when young people resolve to make a change.

SayingImages.com

**Jane Goodall**

## Important dates coming up

**Next week**  
**Coming up**

07/02 Valentines Disco  
10/02 E-SAFETY Week  
10/02 Year 6 transition groups 11.00-11.30  
11/02 Year 4 trip to HINDU MANOR Watford

THE LEYS LEARNING VALUE SPRING

**Excellence**

## Class of the Week

**Freedman**

The friendship cup is presented to:

**Eliza and Isabelle**

The best attendance award is presented to

**Sendak and Wilson**

100% punctuality award is presented to:

**Morpurgo**

## Headteacher Awards

**Rec** Charlie, Oliver, Josh, Holly, Richard, Poppy, Oscar, Molly, Gracie

**Y1** Grace

**Y2**

**Y3** Alex, Teddy, Darcie

**Y4**

**Y5**

**Y6**

## Wonderful workshop for Early Years!

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our workshop on Monday, which was on the theme of Fine Motor Skills. Information was shared about why it is so important that pupils practice their fine motor skills. Parents took part in a range of activities with their children such as playdough, pegging out washing, and haircutting.



They then have information to practice at home. PLEASE come along to the next workshop you won't regret it.

*"I have been to many of these sessions which have been fantastic. It enables me to see how my child is taught, and it is great to see her using these skills and enjoying it"*  
Parent Jan 2020



## Valentine Disco

Tickets are now available to purchase online via the school gateway. The date is 7th Feb 2020. Key stage 1 is from 5pm till 6pm and Key stage 2 is 6.30pm—8.00pm.



## Star of the Week

Zephaniah	Jasper
Anderson	Austin
Sendak	Octavian
Carle	Joel
Hargreaves	Ethan
Ahlberg	Shikana
Wilson	Evelyn
Dahl	Ryan
Freedman	Joel
Strong	Ewan
Pratchett	Albert
Morpurgo	Lois
Tolkien	Elle
Lewis	Emily
Rosen	Alfie
Shakespeare	Rosie
Dickens	Lily-Mai



**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE 96.6% Target 97%**

**PUPIL TARGET: 95%+ attendance for EVERY pupil**

<b>Anderson</b>	<b>Zephaniah</b>	<b>Carle</b>	<b>Sendak</b>	<b>Ahlberg</b>	<b>Hargreaves</b>	<b>Wilson</b>	<b>Freedman</b>	<b>Dahl</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>			<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Pratchett</b>	<b>Morpurgo</b>	<b>Strong</b>	<b>Lewis</b>	<b>Rosen</b>	<b>Tolkien</b>	<b>Shakespeare</b>	<b>Dickens</b>	
<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>2</b>				

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

## Travel Ambassadors

Global Goal



Congratulations to Kimiya, Aruba, Brooke, Rylie, Alex and Karam who have been elected as our Junior Travel Ambassadors! They have an important role to play to ensure our pupils are safe coming to school. They are going to lead a new project to encourage more pupils to **WALK TO SCHOOL** as often as they can. They are going to design posters, and run a Walk to School competition. We are going to lead an assembly when we wear our high vis jackets. I think a travel ambassador will be hard but fun too! We are trying to help everyone to keep safe and healthy. They are encouraging walking to school to reduce carbon emission and improve the quality of the air we breathe. (Kimiya and Karam)



## Writer of the Week—Alexis D Wilson

You all think you know the true story of Cinderella but you really don't. This is my version, I am Cinderella's stepmother.

On the 31st of April last year, I married a rich man called Ben, he had a little girl called Cinderella, she had lost her mum a year ago so I was really nice to her but still expected her to do her jobs. Cinderella was very naughty and never did her chores. Cinderella was always causing trouble, one day my helpful daughter was carrying two china plates to the kitchen when Cinderella tripped her over.

One beautiful sunny day an invitation arrived for the ball at the palace. I was trying to tidy the house when Cinderella ran through wearing muddy shoes, ruining all of our hard work. She picked up the post and read it out loud.

"The Prince has invited you to the ball," she said announced enthusiastically.

"Cinderella!" I yelled. "You will not be going to the ball unless you do your chores."

The ball was the following evening so Cinderella did whatever she could to help her step mum.

Alexis D - Wilson Class



	Parent Representatives
EYFS	Nicola Watts- parent of Holly Watts
Y1	Agata Gikuma- mother of Zara Gikuma
Y2	Marie Judd- mother of Oliver Savage Shelley Jackson- mother of Lilly-May Jackson.
Y3	Yvette Holmes parent of Ryan Holmes
Y4	Alice Wade- parent of Lily Wade
Y5	Eleanor Jamieson- parent of Joe Jamieson
Y6	Karen Pockett parent of Jayden Pockett

## Important Dates

29/01 Stevenage Inclusion Festival  
 07/02 Valentines Disco  
 Week starting 10/02 E-SAFETY Week  
 10/02 Year 6 transition groups 11.00-11.30  
 11/02 Year 4 trip to HINDU MANOR Watford  
 12/02 Year 5/6 Athletics 9.00 -12.00  
 14/02 Non Uniform day £1  
**Half term holiday: 17 February 2020 - 21 February 2020**  
 25/02 SHROVE TUESDAY Why do we make pancakes?

### Social Moral Spiritual Cultural (SMSC) British Values

Tomorrow is Chinese New Year and Dahl class were busy preparing to celebrate by making fortune cookies!!!! They were having a lot of fun, and I hope this brings us all good fortune!

*The Rat is also associated with the Earthly Branch (地支—dì zhī) Zi (子) and the midnight hours. In the terms of yin and yang (阴阳—yīn yáng), the Rat is yang and represents the beginning of a new day.*

"Gong hei fat choy" (Wishing you great happiness and prosperity)



### Term dates 2019-2020

#### 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

**1 June 2020**

**20 -21 July 2020**

**PRESENTING OUR MASTER WRITERS— Richard Oscar Gracie Poppy and Mollie Reception class!! I was sooo impressed with their description of the dragon !!!!!!!**



### CLASS OF THE WEEK - Dickens

Dickens class are learning about gender equality, and discussed whether boys and girls can do anything.

*I designed a poster that included lots of ideas about what girls and boys could do in the future.*

*It was interesting lesson because we talked about what boys and girls can achieve.*

Ethan M

