

The Leys Primary and Nursery School



25th October

★ Accelerating progress ★ Enriching wellbeing ★ Promoting partnerships

Person of the week

“What people tend to forget is the journey that I had getting to Formula One. There were plenty of years where I had to learn about losing and having bad races.” Lewis Hamilton



Star of the Week

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| Zephaniah | Oliver |
| Anderson | Serah |
| Sendak | Fiza |
| Carle | Timmy |
| Hargreaves | Tiara |
| Ahlberg | Denis |
| Wilson | Jeremiah |
| Dahl | Charlie |
| Freedman | Isobel |
| Strong | Gaja |
| Pratchett | Nikodem |
| Morpurgo | Edward |
| Tolkien | Lizzie |
| Lewis | Daisy |
| Rosen | Karam |
| Shakespeare | Ethan |
| Dickens | Joshua |

Important dates coming up

Next week

28/10/19-01/11/19 HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Coming up

04/11/19 Year 6 at MANOR ADVENTURE
Rec-Y5 Flu sprays

08/11/19 Year 4 Stay and share

11/11/19 Anti-bullying week

14/11/19 Mini Olympics some members of Y3

15/11/19 Year 3 Family Friday Reading

15/11/19 Children in Need fundraiser 50p



Halloween Disco



Thank you to Friends of the Leys, Staff and pupils for making the discos such happy events! We had some goulsh visitors prowling around our school scaring the living daylight out of me!

**Friends of the Leys raised £888
FANTASTIC! THANK-YOU!!!**

GLOBAL CHALLENGE COMPETITION!

Thank you to all the pupils who took part in our poster completion for our Global Challenge booklet! We had some wonderful designs to choose from! Muneeb went the extra mile and designed a logo that would include both schools:

ENDLESS LEARNING AND FRIENDSHIP!

That says it all...!!!

THE LEYS LEARNING VALUE AUTUMN

equality

Class of the Week

Sendak

The friendship cup is presented to:

Elizabeth

The best attendance award is presented to

Ahlberg, Strong, Dickens

100% punctuality award is presented to:

Morpurgo, Lewis

Headteacher Awards

- Y1** Nellie, Devon, Octavian, Olly, Filips, Fiza
- Y2** Holly, Christy, Alex, Shaylen, Joseph, Maisey, David
- Y3** Lola
- Y4** Eliza, Samuel
- Y5** Livia, Chanika, Oliver, Divine, Bobby





Every Student, Every School, Every Day

TARGET: 95%+ attendance for EVERY pupil

Congratulations to Hargreaves and Wilson classes !!!!! Winners

| Anderson | Zephaniah | Carle | Sendak | Ahlberg | Hargreaves | Wilson | Freedman |
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| | | | 3 | 5 | 8 | 15 | 4 |
| Dahl | Pratchett | Morpurgo | Strong | Lewis | Tolkien | Shakespeare | Dickens |
| 8 | 6 | 10 | 2 | 7 | 7 | | 2 |

Good News! 4 classes had 100% attendance (Sendak, Ahlberg, Dahl, Morpurgo)

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

Writer of the Week :

Swimming from My Death by Ifeoluwa O

Upon the white hot sand, I wearily opened my tired eyes. The brash sun blinded me but I fought back my tiredness. My whole body felt like a hundred kilogram weight, I was also as stiff as a rock. The sun had an evil grin on its face. Once I blinked, it was gone. I thought I was hallucinating. I stiffly crawled to the nearest boulder.

I questioned myself, "Where am I? What year is it? Who am I? How did I get here?" Questions clouded my head but my tiredness took over me.

Vivid images clouded my head. The ocean was a glistening diamond. In the night sky. There I was, sailing on the Qantas from my home country Australia. I was travelling to Britania to start trading. On the ship disaster could happen at any time - before my trip I had prayed for a lovely, safe trip - but sadly it wasn't my day.

Suddenly a dozen of swordfish jabbed the side of the boat making an over-sized hole. We were starting to sink into the waves.

The boat had started to capsize, a storm was coming. The captain had yelled for everyone to get below deck. The ship tossed and turned, bodies filled the air. Water thrashed against the side of the ship.

I jumped off the ship recklessly. As soon as I jumped in the water, it turned verdant green. Fishes swarmed around me, making their gills tickle my dirty feet. After 5 minutes of thrashing water, I started to slowly blink, my arms started to slowly move and my legs were exhausted. My eyes were playing tricks on me, I thought I saw a dead body but when I swam closer I saw that it was some wood from the boat...driftwood. I climbed onto the driftwood and drifted into slumber. As I slept I could still hear the thunder...



GOVERNOR UPDATE: Hayley Sherwood

Why did you want to be a governor at our school?

I wanted to become a Governor here because I attended this school when I was younger. I also wanted to see if I could help the school.

What do you think would improve this school for future generations?

I believe the children would benefit from having access to more technology and more funding to implement this idea.

Has the Leys changed since you came here as a pupil?

Yes, It seems a lot smaller and the car park has changed.

What subjects did you like as a pupil?

Cookery, Maths and PE.

Did you have a favourite teacher?

Mrs Haslam, She was always very kind.

What do you do as a job?

I make primary school resources for PSHE

Can your business help our school?

Yes by providing valuable life skill resources.

Could you help our school be environmentally friendly?

Yes by creating resources to help children understand Global Warming.

Interviewed by Willow and Evelyn from Dickens class Year 6

Important Dates

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 PLASTIC FREE OCEANS Fundraiser
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

DECEMBER

02/12/19 **SCHOOL CLOSED Occasional Day**
03/12/19 WRITING WEEK
How can we be creative to raise money for our school at Christmas?
06/12/19 **ENTERPRISE DAY**
06/12/19 Year 5 Stay and share
9/12/19 Year 3/4 Christmas production 9.30 pm
9/12/19 Year 5/6 Christmas production 10.45
9/12/19 Year 1 Christmas production 2 pm
10/12/19 Year 1 Christmas production 9.30 pm
Year 2 Christmas production 2 pm
11/12/19 Nursery Christmas production 9.30 pm
Reception Christmas production 2 pm
11/12/19 Choir to Over 60's event
12/12/19 Reception Christmas production 9.30 pm
Nursery Christmas production 2 pm
12/12/19 Year 5 trip to AIRBUS
12/12/19 Reception trip to Willows Farm
13/12/19 Year 2 Christmas production 9.30 pm

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

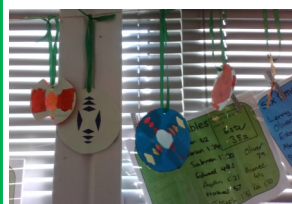
6 January 2020

1 June 2020

20 -21 July 2020

CLASS: Morpurgo

This week, as part of year fours RE unit Hinduism, Morpurgo class were learning about Diwali and the festival of light. They enjoyed learning how Hindus celebrate the new year. Everyone in the class had the opportunity to make window decorations, Rangoli patterns and a poster to advertise a Diwali fireworks night. They were all proud of their creations which are displayed around the classroom.



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