



# Leagrave Primary School

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NEWSLETTER  
3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023



**Nursery Share a Story Session**  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup>,  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>  
November at  
10.45am and  
2.15pm

**Flu Vaccinations**  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>  
November



All staff at  
Leagrave Primary  
School would like  
to say happy  
birthday to:

**Rida Iman A 1W**

**Mariah J 2A**  
**Isaac A 2A**  
**Adeen J 2K**  
**Ariyaan P 2K**

**Arnav M 3B**  
**Sofia D 3B**  
**Ahyaan I 3B**  
**Nashawn S 3B**  
**Daniel C 3A**

**Rayan M 4MB**  
**Ayesha A 4KB**

**Kyle B 5R**

**Saaim A 6B**  
**Sabrin S 6B**  
**Nicholas M 6B**  
**Mohammed M 6E**  
**Gabriela M 6E**

## Headteacher's Corner

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back. I hope you all enjoyed your half term break. As always the end of the Autumn term is very busy with events, so please do read and make notes of event dates from the letters and newsletters to ensure your child does not miss out.

As Autumn is upon us, please ensure your child comes to school each day with clearly labelled warm clothing. This means wearing a school jumper and coming to school with a coat.

Our Autumn virtual Parents' Evening will take place on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. To book your consultation appointment, please ensure you book your appointment by visiting <https://leagrave.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. Our booking system will go live on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November and will close at midnight on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Kind regards,  
Mrs E Gillespie (Headteacher)



## Parent Forum

Parents are all invited to attend a 'Parent Forum' session which will take place on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 9.15am in the main hall.

This session is a great way for you to get involved and put forward your views on how you feel we can develop areas of Leagrave Primary School.

Please note, this session is not to talk about your individual child's needs; any issues should be followed up with the class teacher. Also, we are unable to deal with issues regarding the local area e.g. traffic during school pick up and drop off. This issue needs to be referred to Luton Borough Council.

If you would like to attend please book your space via your child's Scopay account. Looking forward to working with you!



## #OddSocksDay

Get your odd socks on and support #AntiBullyingWeek

## Anti-Bullying Week 13th November-17th November

To help raise awareness for Anti-Bullying week, children are invited to wear odd socks on Monday 13th November for a 50p donation.

The School Learning Council has decided to send donations to support The Keech Hospice.



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# Well-Being Corner

## Key dates

Anti-bullying Week 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> November

International Tolerance Day 16<sup>th</sup> November

### Wellbeing Tip: Spend time in Nature!

Why not make the most of what autumn has to offer? Colours, smells, sounds... everything changes at autumn time! The golds, reds, purples, russets and oranges that provide a burst of joy before the winter months are particularly vivid this year. Spending time in nature can help improve your mood and reduce feelings of stress and anger.

Try to pay attention to your surroundings and find things to see, hear, taste, smell and touch. Lots of people find that being with animals is calming and enjoyable. You could try pet-sitting or dog walking, feed birds from your window, or visit a local community farm. You can even bring nature indoors! This can give you the benefits of nature without having to go to a park or public garden. You could buy flowers, potted plants or seeds for growing on your window sill. Or you could collect natural materials from outdoors, such as leaves, flowers, feathers, and use them to decorate your living space.

### Anti-Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day

Anti-Bullying Week 2023 will take place from 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023 and has the theme 'Make Noise for Bullying'. The week will kick off with Odd Socks Day on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.



It's New Ways November. Look at the calendar below and see how many things you can achieve to develop a positive attitude. Try this at home and let your teachers know how it went.

**Optimistic October 2023**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Write down three things you can look forward to this month	2 Find something to be optimistic about (even if it's a difficult time)	3 Take a small step towards a goal that really matters to you	4 Start your day with the most important thing on your to-do list	5 Be a realistic optimist. See life as it is, but focus on what's good	6 Remind yourself that things can change for the better	7 Look for the good in people around you today
8 Make some progress on a project or task you have been avoiding	9 Share an important goal with someone you trust	10 Take time to reflect on what you have accomplished recently	11 Avoid blaming yourself or others. Find a helpful way forward	12 Look out for positive news and reasons to be cheerful today	13 Ask for help to overcome an obstacle you are facing	14 Do something constructive to improve a difficult situation
15 Thank yourself for achieving the things you often take for granted	16 Put down your to-do list and do something fun or uplifting	17 Take a small step towards a positive change you want to see in society	18 Set helpful but realistic goals for the days ahead	19 Identify one of your positive qualities that will be helpful in the future	20 Find joy in tackling a task you've put off for some time	21 Let go of the expectations of others and focus on what matters to you
22 Share a hopeful quote, picture or video with a friend or colleague	23 Recognise that you have a choice about what to prioritise	24 Write down three specific things that have gone well recently	25 You can't do everything! What are your three priorities right now?	26 Find a new perspective on a problem you face	27 Be kind to yourself today. Remember, progress takes time	28 Ask yourself, will this still matter a year from now?
29 Plan a fun or exciting activity to look forward to	30 Identify three things that give you hope for the future	31 Set a goal that brings a sense of purpose for the coming month				

**ACTION FOR HAPPINESS**      **Happier · Kinder · Together**



## Leagrave Attendance Trophy

We are very excited to announce our first ever winners of the new Leagrave Attendance Trophy. The trophy is given in recognition for the highest weekly attendance.

ATTENDANCE  
WINNERS



CONGRATULATIONS!

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Winners for week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> October. Who will be the next class to come out on top?  
The competition is on!

### The importance of good attendance

In order to facilitate teaching and learning, good attendance is essential. Pupils cannot achieve their full potential if they do not regularly attend school. Missing out on lessons leaves children vulnerable to falling behind. Pupils with poor attendance tend to achieve less throughout their education.



TIMES TABLES  
ROCK STARS



Times Tables Rock Stars is an excellent resource that we have available for children to practise their times tables online! It is a fun and exciting way for children to become fluent at their times tables. When playing, children are able to take part in challenges and can also challenge themselves to beat their previous scores! It is an expectation that your child is practising their times tables daily at home.

ROCK  
KIDZ  
ONLINE

NOTHING'S GONNA  
KEEP ME DOWN

MOTIVATIONAL SESSIONS THAT ROCK!





# AWARDS



Ibrahim	-	Butterfly
Tayyibah	-	Honeybee
Arham	-	1ST
Mustafa	-	1W
Farzana	-	2K
Renato	-	2A
Arnav	-	3B
Fouzia	-	3A
Minsah	-	4KB
Mohamad	-	4MB
Kyle	-	4D
Amelia	-	5W
Mia	-	5R
Iman	-	5C
Kayden	-	6M
Ariana	-	6E
Alfie	-	6B

Congratulations to the above children for being selected to receive a WOW Award! We hope you enjoyed your visit to the book vending machine and reading your new book!



# Bookworm Corner

Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo

Kensuke's Kingdom is an exciting adventure story by Michael Morpurgo. Michael, his parents and their dog Stella set sail around the world in their yacht the 'Peggy Sue'. However, Michael is swept overboard during a storm and ends up on a stranded island with a former Japanese soldier, Kensuke. Michael and Kensuke's characters are complete opposites, but their unique bond creates an engaging story, gripping the reader from start to finish. I highly recommend this book.

(Miss F Brooks)



## Parental Engagement and Information Sessions - November

Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	9.00am - 10.00am	Supporting Children with Special Education Needs
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	9.00am - 10.00am	Phonics and Spelling in the Primary School
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	9.00am - 10.00am	Online Safety

## Year 2 Wardown Park Trip

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October Year 2 went to Wardown Park to have a look at the physical and human features the park presents. They were able to complete drawings of the park and discussed which part of the park was their favourite. For some of the children, this was their first time at the park and so they really enjoyed the visit.

## School Photographs

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, the children will be having their school individual photographs taken. Sibling photographs will be taken on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November.

Please ensure your child has their school jumper/cardigan on the day.



## Leagrave Lunches 5 Star Rating

We are delighted to announce that our school kitchen has once again been awarded a 5-Star Food Hygiene rating!

Well done to our wonderful Kitchen Staff Team for maintaining such consistently high standards!



## ATTEND TODAY ACHIEVE TOMORROW



### Attendance: 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023 - 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023

	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Honeybee	89%	4KB	94%
Butterfly	93%	4MB	94%
1ST	94%	5C	99%
1W	95%	5R	99%
2A	97%	5W	97%
2K	98%	6B	94%
3A	95%	6E	100%
3B	95%	6M	98%
4D	94%	Whole School	97%

Our whole school attendance target is 97%. Please try to ensure that your child comes to school every day, and on time!