



# Leagrave Primary School

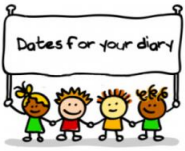
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## NEWSLETTER

## 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023



### Headteacher's Corner

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November we held our annual Remembrance Assembly. The event was a colourful occasion with many special guests from The Royal British Legion. This was a very moving assembly to remember the fallen. Thank you to those Year 6 parents who attended.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November was Odd Socks Day. To help raise awareness for the Anti-Bullying Week theme of 'Make A Noise About Bullying' the children were given the opportunity to wear odd socks. The school council decided to send the donations collected to The Keech Hospice. Thank you to all who donated.

Kind regards,  
Mrs E Gillespie (Headteacher)

**Virtual Parents Evening**  
**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**  
**3.30pm - 7pm**

**Parent Forum**  
**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**  
**9.00am - 10.00am**

**Year 4 Curriculum Corner**  
**2.30pm - 3.00pm**  
**Parents Invited**



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

- Maximillian J Ladybird
- Mohammad K Honeybee
- Pavishkan K Ladybird
- Nusaybah B Ladybird
- Caelan R Ladybird
- Adam H Butterfly
- Amshini P Honeybee
- Ellie O 1ST
- Zaara S 1ST
- Muhammad R 1W
- Rahma I 2A
- Alexandru D 2K
- Khatiba Z 3A
- Kayden H 3B
- Nawfal C 3A
- Soomaya A 3A
- Poppy N 4MB
- Varun J 5C
- Muhammad Ibrahim B 5R
- Hafsah F 5C
- Lola-Starr B 6B
- Shyora V 6B
- Maria N 6E



### Parent Consultation Evening

A reminder of our Autumn Term Virtual Parents Consultation Evening which will be held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2023 from 3:30pm to 7:00pm. To book your consultation appointment, please visit <https://leagrave.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. You will be able to book or reschedule appointments at any time until the booking system closes at midnight on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

### We Will Remember 2023

Across the school, the children have again worked very hard on the annual, 'We Will Remember' project, showing that they understand key historical events from the wars of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, and understand why poppies are worn at this time of year. It is always a real pleasure to see children working so respectfully and sensitively as they discuss and write about this difficult topic, and yet again they did us proud.

Each year group had a focus for the week, such as Year Two's focus on the contribution made by animals during wars, leading to a fabulous display of purple poppies, or Year Four's appreciation of war poems for the unknown soldier. It was fantastic to welcome back so many parents for an exhibition of the work completed, and there were many positive comments on the quality of the work displayed by all year groups.



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# Well-Being Corner

## Key dates

Road Safety Week 19<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> November

### Wellbeing Tip

To support children's wellbeing, getting out and about does help. Making sure we have something to look forward to is key. Be it a day out, a special dinner or just anything that might bring a smile to their faces. Have a look at some of the activities below that you can do at home.

- Make a wreath using the Autumn leaves
- Go for a walk and notice Autumn sounds
- Make a bird feeder
- Autumn treasure hunt

### Road Safety Week

#### What Is Road Safety Week?

This annual event dedicates a week to raising awareness of key areas of road safety, such as the new hierarchy of the roads, the importance of visibility for cyclists, and The Highway Code.

#### Everyone's Life Matters On The Roads

The aim of Road Safety Week is to inspire everyone to take action on road safety and promote life-saving messages. This year, Road Safety Week in the UK will be held between 19<sup>th</sup> and the 25<sup>th</sup> of November.



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.



New Ways November 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
 3 Make a list of new things you want to do this month	 4 Respond to a difficult situation in a different way	 5 Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you.	 6 Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community	 7 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel	 8 Try out a new way of being physically active	 9 Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire
 10 Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week	 11 When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet"	 12 Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea	 13 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way	 14 Find out something new about someone you care about	 15 Do something playful outdoors – walk, run, explore, relax	 16 Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about
 17 Build on new ideas by thinking "Yes, and what if..."	 18 Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective	 19 Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself	 20 Connect with someone from a different generation	 21 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site	 22 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before	 23 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them
 24 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them	 25 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love	 26 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently	 27 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way.	 28 Try out a different radio station or new TV show	 29 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it	 30 Discover your artistic side. Design a friendly greeting card
 31 Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen	 32 Look for new reasons to be hopeful, even in tough times					

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# ATTENDANCE WINNERS



A big congratulations to the following classes:

**5C, 5R, 2A and Reception**

Attendance Winners for week commencing 30<sup>th</sup> October.

**4MB**

Attendance Winners for week commencing 6<sup>th</sup> November.



Who will be the next class to come out on top? The competition is on!

## Art competition!

This year we will be taking part in the Christmas card competition organised by SAS (Schools Advisory Service). Schools from across England will be taking part and the prize is a £100 Amazon gift voucher for the pupil who is selected.

Mrs Khan will also be giving out prizes to two winners! You can be as creative as you like, your designs can include drawing, collage print and paint.



There will be one winner from KS1 and one winner from KS2. Prizes will be given to these winners week beginning Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023. Mrs Khan will submit all entries via email to SAS.

Please can all entries be given to Mrs Khan in 2K by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023.

Good luck :)



## Rushmere Country Park

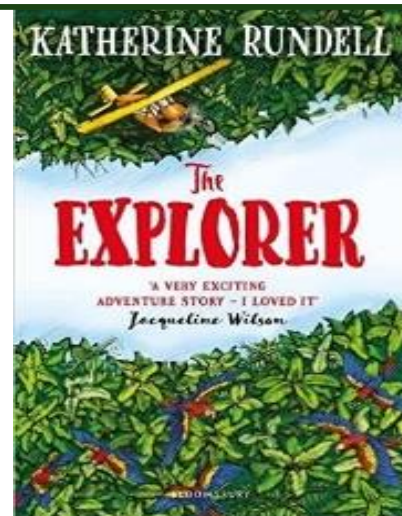
Year One were lucky enough to have gorgeous sunny Autumn weather for their visit to Rushmere Country Park, which was a huge success. They were guided by staff from the Greensand Trust, who were full of praise for our children, noting their tolerance and good relationships, saying how fabulous their 'have a go' attitudes were, and making a point that they are a true credit to the school. They split into classes for two activities. One was to build shelters for a hedgehog in need of warmth and a safe place to rest, using natural materials. For the other activity, they walked a route through the woods, finding fairy doors and sculptures before exploring the different types of trees. The children were fascinated and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you to our parent helpers who gave their time to ensure the trip could go ahead, and I hope some of you will take the chance to revisit with your families. Entrance is free (with a small parking charge), and there is so much more to see!



# Bookworm Corner

Title: "The Explorer" by Katherine Rundell

"The Explorer" by Katherine Rundell is an exciting and gripping story that transports readers to the heart of the Amazon rainforest. The story follows the journey of four children - Fred, Lila, Con, and Max - who find themselves stranded in the jungle after a plane crash. With only their wits and a handful of supplies, they must rely on each other to survive and find their way home. As they navigate the dense and perilous rainforest, they encounter fierce creatures, make surprising allies, and uncover secrets that will leave you on the edge of your seat. Katherine Rundell's writing is vivid and captivating, making you feel as though you're right there with the characters, surrounded by the sights and sounds of the jungle.



"The Explorer" is a page-turner that will keep you hooked from the very beginning. Whether you're a fan of adventure, survival stories, or just a great tale, this book has it all. So grab a copy and prepare to embark on an unforgettable journey into the heart of the jungle. You won't be disappointed!

(Miss Conway)

## Nursery Share a Story



With our new topic this half term being 'Once Upon A Time', it has been wonderful to see so many of our parents attend our share a story sessions.

The children have been really excited to share books with their parents and then completing an activity together linked to our class focus book of the week. There has been a real buzz for books and reading! We look forward to welcoming more parents over the next few weeks.



## Late Arrivals and Collections

We are having a lot of children arriving and departing late. The school gate is opened at 8.45am and closes at 8.55am prompt. Any children after this time come in through the school office and are marked as late. Children not collected at the end of the school day report to the school office and are then sent to our after school club where a late collection fee is charged. Children coming in and being collected late from school find these situations very distressing.

Please ensure that you allow plenty of time to arrive at school on time, both in the morning and end of the day. We also have our breakfast and after school club to help. Please note Thursdays and Fridays are regularly booked up a couple of weeks in advance, so bare this in mind when making your bookings.

ATTEND TODAY  
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



**Attendance: 6th November 2023 -  
17th November 2023**

	Attendance	Class	Attendance
Honeybee	92%	4KB	95%
Butterfly	97%	4MB	100%
1ST	91%	5C	98%
1W	89%	5R	97%
2A	96%	5W	98%
2K	97%	6B	94%
3A	97%	6E	94%
3B	96%	6M	98%
4D	99%	Whole School	95%

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