



LEARNING EDUCATION ARTS PARTNERSHIP



# LEAP NEWS

## Friday 23rd May 2025

### SPANISH PHRASE of the week

Las flores son bonitas..... *The flowers are beautiful.....*

**Kingsmead, Gayhurst, Mandeville & Grasmere Primary Schools working in partnership**

## WONDERMATHS COMPETITION

On Tuesday, Kingsmead hosted one of the first heats of the Wondermaths Competition. There were nine schools in total and they included the three LEAP schools

**Kingsmead, Mandeville** and **Gayhurst**. Teams worked relentlessly all afternoon on lots of problem-solving activities. All teams did amazingly well and we are waiting to hear if any of us have gained a place in the final at the end of June. Watch this space for more information on this.....



## GAYHURST & GRASMERE TAKE PART IN HACKNEY SCHOOLS CHALLENGE

Last Saturday, Grasmere and Gayhurst children took part in the Hackney Moves, Schools' Challenge Run. Children have been The Hackney Schools' Challenge is an initiative open to primary school children and encourages students to run 12 miles in the lead up to the event, by breaking it down into half a mile or mile distances at home or at school. Grasmere and Gayhurst children showcased all their brilliant training by running the final celebratory mile course which finishes on the Hackney Half finish line! Huge thank you to all the parents and carers who came along to support and also take part in the run! Well done to the 60 Grasmere and Gayhurst children for taking part and representing our schools!

**Sonny, Grasmere Year 4** said, "There were a lot of people there and it was great being able to challenge myself during the run!"

**Axel, Gayhurst Year 5** said, "It was so much fun, I loved the warm ups and being able to run with my friends!"



## GRASMERE'S CHESS TOURNAMENT

**Grasmere** is extending an invitation to children from **Kingsmead, Mandeville & Gayhurst** who are keen chess players, to come and take part in their annual Chess Tournament which takes place at Grasmere School\* on **Friday 6 June from 3.45—6pm**. International Chess Master and Grasmere parent Ruth Sheldon, will be battling against up to 12 players at once.

Children can play on their own or form teams. Tickets costs £5 – and be bought from the Frogs (Grasmere's PTA) [online shop now](#). There will be cakes and drinks on sale, as well as fun activities and games for everyone.

New for this year: our Fancy Dress Competition! If they want to, children can dress up in their best black-and-white creations; there will be prizes for the best chess-themed costumes!

\* Grasmere School address:

**92 Albion Rd, London N16 9PD**

**GRASMERE SCHOOL'S CHESS TOURNAMENT**

FRIDAY 6 JUNE 3.45-6PM

Calling all chess players! This is your chance to compete (solo or as part of a team) against our very own International Chess Master, Ruth Sheldon, who can play up to 12 teams at once

**CHESS FANCY DRESS COMPETITION!**

Cakes and drinks - Children's activities - Great prizes! Tournament ticket: £5. Places are limited, so get your ticket now on [friendsatgrasmere.com/shop](#)



1st half of term: 22.04.25 - 23.05.25  
 Half term: 26 — 30 May 2025  
 2nd half of term: 03.06.25 - 18.07.25  
**INSET days:** Mon 2 June 2025,  
 Mon 21 & Tues 22 July 2025

GREEN TOKEN	Class	Tokens
Rec, Year 1 & 2		
Year 3 & 4		
Year 5 & 6		



### GOLDEN AWARDS

NH - ARIAN  
 RC - MAIA  
 RK - SOFIA

1PG - GUI  
 1M - VIGGO  
 2S - SAFIYA  
 2J - SANTIAGO

3L - JAMIE  
 3E - AYZA  
 3/4L - AZRA  
 4F - ORLANDO  
 4E - SINIEAD

5T - ALI  
 5D - GABRIEL  
 5/6A - ELIAS  
 6J - PAU  
 6C - PARIS

## YEAR 6 CINEMA TRIP

The Year 6s worked so hard and were so incredibly focused during their SATs week last week, we were all so very proud of them! They well deserved their trip to the cinema and picnic in the park on Friday last week! In the morning they all walked to the Castle Cinema near Chatsworth road for a private screening of Spiderman and the Spiderverse. It was so much fun to have the cinema all to ourselves! Afterwards we came back to London Fields for a picnic and party in the park with lots of fun games and time to relax and celebrate all of our brilliant work in Year 6. What a great day!

## YEAR 3 VISIT HSOF

They say too many cooks spoil the broth, but we had the exact right number of passionate, young chefs to make a delicious Italian broth at the School of Food! This week, 3E, 3L and 3/4L were learning about cooking and nutrition, with a particular focus on eating balanced meals that provide our bodies with the nutrients we need to be healthy. Chef Tom taught us how to make his grandmother's Irish Soda Bread recipe. There was measuring, mixing and some powerful kneading, to make comforting, fluffy rolls. These went perfectly with the main meal, which was Italian Ribollita (vegetable soup). We practised the claw and pinch methods for slicing up the vegetables safely, which we caramelised with herbs and then simmered with tomatoes, stock and beans. It was brilliant to see the young chefs get stuck into cooking and, of course, enjoy the fruits of their labour afterwards - or should that be 'soups' of their labour?



### YEAR 3 VISIT HSOF CONTINUED....

**Isla B-P (3L):** 'It was such a fun trip. My tip is you need to be sensible with the knife!'

**Isla S (3E):** 'I thought it was really cool and I am a quarter Irish, so I liked making the Irish soda bread from my culture.'

## INSET DAY & FREE FOOD SHOP

Although school is not open to children on **Monday 2nd June** as we have an INSET day, **the Free Food Shop will still be running in the usual way on that date.**

## KEY DATES FOR THIS TERM

- Mon 26 - Fri 30 June** Half term break
- Mon 2 June** INSET day (school closed to children)
- Thurs 5 June** TAG Gallery Opening - **Reception, Year 1 & 2** 4:30-6pm
- Thurs 12 June** 5/6A class assembly at 3pm
- Mon 16 - Fri 20 June** Year 6 Residential Trip
- Weds 18 June** RC class assembly at 3pm
- Thurs 26 June** 3/4L class assembly at 3pm
- Mon 30 June** Sports Day: **Nursery** 10am in cage  
**Reception & KS1** 1:30-3:15pm
- Tues 1 July** Year 6 Production - **6J & 5/6A** at 5pm
- Weds 2 July** Year 6 Production - **6C & 5/6A** at 5pm
- Sat 5 July** COGS Summer Fair 12—4pm
- Mon 7 July** Sports Day: **Yrs 3 & 4** 1:30-3:15pm
- Tues 8 July** Sports Day: **Yrs 5 & 6** 1:30-3:15pm
- Thurs 10 July** Gayhurst Summer BBQ 5- 8pm
- Fri 11 July** Drumming & dance performances:  
**3L & 4F**, at 1.45pm **2J, & 6J** at 2.30pm
- Tues 15 July** Gymnastics Performances  
**1M, 4E & 5T** at 2pm **5D & 6C** at 3pm +  
**Year 6 disco** from 5 - 6:30pm
- Thurs 17 July** Meet the teacher for children 11am +  
Year 6 Leavers assembly 2:45pm
- Fri 18 July** Last day of Summer term -  
**school closes early at 1.30pm for children**

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### COGS NEWS

#### JUICE BOX DISCO!

On Thursday night the Juicebox disco took place for Reception to Y5. The event was a riot of sequins, colour, uplifting music and lights. The smiles on the children's faces marked a successful event.

CoGS would like to thank everyone who organised, helped & attended. These events are run on an entirely voluntary basis and wouldn't happen without the time and energy given by parents and carers. Thanks also to the Gayhurst staff who helped support the evening.

The final funds raised are still being totalled but will be **in excess of £1,500** all of which goes to school to pay for extra-curricula sports & arts enrichment activities for every child.



### COGS SUMMER FAIR

Save the date : **Saturday 5 July, 12 - 4 pm.**

The summer fair is just around the corner, and we would love to welcome helpers, new and old, to support the day! It's a really fun event, with music, food, stalls and activities for everyone to enjoy. Please complete [this form](#) if you can give a couple of hours on the day.

More information about activities to follow.

CoGS are also keen to hear from anyone with original, engaging ideas for stalls or activities at the fair.

### COGS SUMMER FAIR CONTINUED.....

#### CHILDRENS CLOTHES & ACCESSORIES WANTED

CoGS are collecting gently used children's clothes and accessories to sell at the Summer Fair. This is the perfect opportunity to pass on good quality clothes with life left but grown out of.

We'd especially love some cool gear for the older kids (ages 6+), so get digging through those wardrobes! — no undies, socks, babygrows or anything with stains or holes, please! Clean and in good condition only!

A donation basket will be in the school office from Monday 19 May— pop your items in any time!

### YEARS 5 & 6 TENNIS TOURNAMENT

On Wednesday, some of our Year 5 and 6 children competed in a tennis tournament at Clissold Park. They played against 6 other Hackney schools and did a brilliant job representing Gayhurst! Well done to all of the children.

*'It was such good fun, I really enjoyed playing against children from other schools.'* Kit 5D



### ROAD SAFETY WORKSHOP

Today Years 1 & 2 had a road safety workshop. Stacey talked to us about how to keep ourselves safe.

When walking on the pavement; we must stay close to the wall, away from the kerb and holding hands.

When we are scooting or bike riding we should; wear a helmet, avoid loose clothes and bags and stay near your grown up. Be bright, stay in sight!

We also learnt how to cross the road safely by using a zebra crossing, traffic islands. Crossing on a clear road and using a pelican crossing.

Thank you, Stacey, we will practice this all the time!

