



LEARNING EDUCATION ARTS PARTNERSHIP



# LEAP NEWS

## Friday 6th June 2025

### SPANISH PHRASE of the week

Quisiera un helado..... *I would like an ice cream.....*

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

## LIFE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB RETURNS

Following the success of the first Life School programme, the weekly after school club run jointly by the Hackney School of Food and The Garden Classroom were thrilled to welcome a new group of young adventurers - this time, enthusiastic Year 5 pupils from Mandeville and Kingsmead who have been attending these weekly after school sessions since the start of the Summer Term.

Set once again in the vibrant surroundings of Hackney School of Food, the sessions continue to spark creativity, teamwork, and practical learning in the kitchen and garden. Every session blends nature based learning with hands-on activities in the kitchen to build core skills for life.



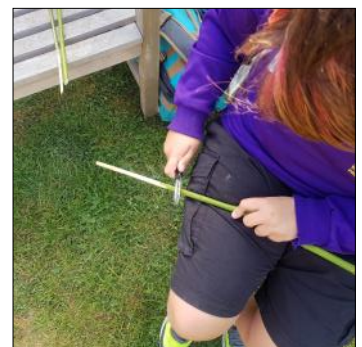
### LIFE SCHOOL CLUB RETURNS CONTINUED....



In our most recent session, children were introduced to the ancient art of whittling - carefully carving their own skewers from wood. Once their skewers were ready, it was straight to the fire pit, where they prepared and cooked their own bread dough over the glowing embers. One pupil summed up the moment perfectly: *"It smells like heaven!"* Another called the freshly cooked campfire breads *"chef foods from the gods"* - and judging by the silence as they were eaten, everyone was in agreement!

As part of the session's theme of welcome and belonging, the children also tried their hand at weaving on a hand-made loom to create a communal welcome sign - a beautiful piece of work that now greets everyone arriving at Life School.

There's something magical about the mix of fresh air, glowing fires, and working together that makes Life School so special - and we can't wait to see what this new group of learners discovers in the weeks ahead.





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 RESULTS	Class	Tokens
Rec, Year 1 & 2	<b>RK</b>	88
Year 3 & 4	<b>4F</b>	174
Year 5 & 6	<b>6J</b>	77



### GOLDEN AWARDS

NH - **IRA**  
RC - **MILO**  
RK - **KHALISAH**

1PG - **EMMA**  
1M - **MELODY**  
2S - **NYSSA**  
2J - **STELLA**

3L - **ROMI**  
3E - **MIYA**  
3/4L - **CIAN**  
4F - **EMILIA**  
4E - **ALESSANDRO**

5T - **JACQUES**  
5D - **BILLY**  
5/6A - **RAFE**  
6J - **NIKITA**  
6C - **STANLEY**

## #TAG EXHIBITION OPENING

Last night we had the private viewing of our #TAG Gallery. Parents & carers across Reception, Year 1 and 2 were invited to the grand opening of their show Hackney Before & After. This show is informed by three curriculum topics. **Reception** children focused on the science topic 'Growth and Life Cycles', **Year 1** looked at the 'Geography of the UK', and **Year 2** studied history; 'Hackney in the past'. The exhibition unites this trilogy of subjects by telling the story of Hackney through a mapping exercise. Children created the visual elements for a 3D model of Hackney pinning St. Augustine's Tower, Hackney's oldest building at the centre, and observing its immediate landscape from two sides of history. Compare and contrast what Hackney once was to what Hackney now is. Have a look at each classes' contributions:

**RC** - Drawing and modelling watercress with plasticine & wire

**RK** - Drawing and modelling watercress with plasticine & wire / making paper flowers

**1PG** - Clay modelling bricks : build walls of St. Augustine's Tower / collage of Hackney Brook

**1M** - Clay modelling bricks : build walls of St. Augustine's Tower / draw old and new map of Hackney

**2J** - Block printing shop signs

**2S** - Paper modelling people, trees, street signs and furniture, vehicles for urban landscape

## #TAG EXHIBITION OPENING CONTINUED.....

Along with this brilliant exhibition, everyone had delicious food to follow from Chef Sergio.



## RK'S CLASS ASSEMBLY

Last term RK wowed their parents/carers with their amazing retelling of the class story 'The Tadpoles Promise'. The children showed great determination in learning their lines and song which they confidently delivered them in front of their audience. They enjoyed sharing the importance about changing and that it is okay to be different! The children then retold a poem called 'I'm glad to be me' and their favourite line was "And, one other thing that I'm glad about too... I think that you're great and I'm glad that you're you." Well done RK!

*'I like about the assembly. When I grow up I want to be a police officer' - Abiboulaye*

*'I liked singing the tiny little caterpillar' - Nadim*

*'I loved the costumes in our assembly' - Abe*





### COGS SUMMER FAIR

**Saturday 5 July, 12 - 4 pm.**

The CoGS summer Fair is one month away on 5th July and is dependent on parents and carers in the school supporting in a variety of ways:

- Volunteers are needed to support a stall or activity for a couple of hours on the day. This year we particularly need volunteers for entrance, traditional games (e.g. hook a duck) and clearing up. Every little helps! Please complete this form if you have some time to give.
- The Fair also needs donations of things! The kids' tombola is hunting any new/unused kids prizes such as unwanted birthday gifts, mini games or toys, art kits, books, sweets or chocolate. These can be left in the school office from this week.
- Lightly used children's clothes can be brought to the school office from this week.
- Toys must be checked by CoGS first, by emailing photos to [gayhurstcogs@gmail.com](mailto:gayhurstcogs@gmail.com);
- Books can be left on the rack in the sheltered area in the KS1 playground during the final week before the fair (w/c 30 June).

#### Do you have an idea for a Summer Fair activity?

We're looking for fun, inclusive and accessible sporty activities for children to compliment the range of stalls we already have. Do you have a knack for engaging kids through physical activity? Then we'd love to hear from you! Please email [gayhurstcogs@gmail.com](mailto:gayhurstcogs@gmail.com).



**COGS**

# GAYHURST SUMMER FAIR

5<sup>TH</sup> JULY 12-4

50p Entry

Scan QR code to enter raffle

Bar  
Facepaint  
Henna  
Clothes  
Books  
Plant Stall  
BBQ Tacos  
Raffle  
Crafts  
Games  
Cakes and much more

To find out more, email: [gayhurstcogs@gmail.com](mailto:gayhurstcogs@gmail.com)

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

#### Summer Fair Raffle Prize call out

COGS are seeking donations for our raffle, they can be big or small - from a membership to a voucher or an item. They are looking for a combination of donations: experiences, tickets, sports, travel, treats and services – something for everyone.

If you are able to contribute, CoGS would feature your donation in the marketing material to help sell tickets!!

Please email: [gayhurstcogs@gmail.com](mailto:gayhurstcogs@gmail.com)

### FUNDRAISING THANKS

CoGS would like to say a hug thank you to **Teagan, Phil, Genevieve, Jens and Eoin** who ran the Hackney Half to raise money for CoGS. In total, thanks to generous donations and support but the community, they raised **£1,590!!!**

This, along with the £1,500 raised by the disco, will swell the overall total for the year and help us reach our target of **£20,000**.

If any parents or carers are planning to run the Hackney Half, London Marathon or other event next year, or have great ideas to raise money in aid of CoGS, please contact [gayhurstcogs@gmail.com](mailto:gayhurstcogs@gmail.com)

### KEY DATES FOR THIS TERM

<b>Thurs 5 June</b>	TAG Gallery Opening - <b>Reception, Year 1 &amp; 2</b> - 4:30-6pm
<b>Thurs 12 June</b>	<b>5/6A</b> class assembly at 3pm
<b>Mon 16 - Fri 20 June</b>	Year 6 Residential Trip
<b>Weds 18 June</b>	<b>RC</b> class assembly at 3pm
<b>Mon 23 June</b>	<b>4F</b> Hackney Music Dance performance at Roundchapel 1.15—2.45pm
<b>Thurs 26 June</b>	<b>3/4L</b> class assembly at 3pm
<b>Fri 27 June</b>	<b>RC &amp; RK</b> Hackney Music Singing performance at Roundchapel 9.45—10.30am
<b>Mon 30 June</b>	Sports Day: <b>Nursery</b> 10am in cage <b>Reception &amp; KS1</b> 1:30-3:15pm
<b>Tues 1 July</b>	Year 6 Production - <b>6J &amp; 5/6A</b> at 5pm
<b>Weds 2 July</b>	Year 6 Production - <b>6C &amp; 5/6A</b> at 5pm
<b>Sat 5 July</b>	COGS Summer Fair 12—4pm
<b>Mon 7 July</b>	Sports Day: <b>Yrs 3 &amp; 4</b> 1:30-3:15pm
<b>Tues 8 July</b>	Sports Day: <b>Yrs 5 &amp; 6</b> 1:30-3:15pm
<b>Thurs 10 July</b>	Gayhurst Summer BBQ 5- 8pm
<b>Fri 11 July</b>	Drumming & dance performances: <b>3L &amp; 4F</b> , at 1.45pm <b>2J, &amp; 6J</b> at 2.30pm
<b>Tues 15 July</b>	Gymnastics Performances <b>1M, 4E &amp; 5T</b> at 2pm <b>5D &amp; 6C</b> at 3pm + <b>Year 6 disco</b> from 5 - 6:30pm
<b>Thurs 17 July</b>	Meet the teacher for children 11am + Year 6 Leavers assembly 2:45pm
<b>Fri 18 July</b>	Last day of Summer term - <b>school closes early at 1.30pm for children</b>