LEAP NEWS

Friday 15th May 2026

SPANISH PHRASE of the week

¿Puedo rellenar mi botella de agua? ..... *Can I refill my water bottle?.....*

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

BBC NEWSROUND EXPERIENCE AT GRASMERE!

Last week, **Teddy Reid** (Year 6) and **Sienna Freeman** (Year 5), from Grasmere had a once-in-a-lifetime adventure. BBC Newsround needed two children to interview the stars of the new Stars Wars film and also attend the premiere at Leicester Square, so both Teddy and Sienna took part in this exciting opportunity.

The excitement began with an invitation to attend the new Star Wars film premiere, where they both caught their first glimpse of the new Star Wars movie. The following morning, they both travelled to Claridge's Hotel in London, and were BBC Newsround reporters for the day. They were given the extraordinary opportunity to interview the film's stars, **Pedro Pascal** and **Sigourney Weaver,** hearing first-hand what it's really like to be part of the Star Wars universe.

For both Teddy and Sienna, it was an unforgettable experience from movie premieres, five-star hotels and Hollywood stars — all in the space of 24 hours.

Teddy said: "*It was so amazing; Pedro Pascal was really funny. The director even gave us a special 'crew only' gift to take home, it was very special".*

Sienna said *"I loved going to the premiere of the movie! I felt like a celebrity".*

The children meeting film star Pedro Pascal

Meeting actress Sigourney Weaver

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HACKNEY SCHOOL OF FOOD

CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY FEAST

on **Thursday 21 May from 6.30—8.30pm** at Hackney School of Food

Hackney School of Food is hosting a community feast, a welcoming evening of generous sharing plates and cultural connections. Chef Lara Luck who specialises in Caribbean cooking and family friendly meals is serving a Caribbean-inspired seasonal menu full of bold flavours.
Sit and enjoy the meal, gather around our fire pits and meet neighbours around the table. Families welcome

Tickets: Hackney School of Food is offering pay-what-you-can tickets. Get yours via this link:

https://www.ticketsource.com/hackneyschooloffood/t-jxxojdx

MAY HALF TERM COOKING CLUB

We're pleased to invite families who have previously booked supported spaces in our school clubs or family cooking to join our May Half Term programme at Hackney School of Food.

Dates: **Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28th and Friday 29th May**
Location: **Oswald Street, London E5 0BT**
Time: **10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**
Book here

Each day children will take part in hands-on cooking, gardening, and creative outdoor learning. Across the 26th to 28th May, children will split their time between the kitchen and garden, exploring how food grows, taking part in seasonal gardening activities, and cooking fresh, seasonal dishes. They will also enjoy a homemade lunch prepared together each day.

On Friday 29th May, the session will be slightly different in focus. Children will take part in a special workshop day sponsored by Aqua de Madre exploring

MAY HALF TERM COOKING CLUB CONTINUED....

fermentation, cooking, and food-based creativity. Activities include making kimchi, exploring natural food dyes, cooking lunch together, and creating a tie-dye t-shirt to take home. Parents are invited to join at 2:15pm for a short showcase at the end of the day.
Book for Friday here

Due to high demand for supported places, we are currently able to offer one free place per child on one day only. If additional spaces become available closer to the dates, we will contact families on this list.
If you would like to book, please email us back at this email address **hello@hackneyschooloffood.com** with informing us which day you would like to book (26th, 27th, 28th or 29th May) and the number of children in your household you would like to book for.

Please note that supported tickets are only available to children who are eligible for Free School Meals. If you are not eligible, you are welcome to book a standard place at £40 per day.
We look forward to welcoming your children to May Half Term at School of Food.

LONDON FIELDS LIDO HALF TERM SWIMMING LESSONS

For more information and to book session please click on this link or scan the QR code on the poster below.

GAYHURST NEWS

Gayhurst Community School

SUMMER TERM 2026

1st half of term: **13.04.26 - 22.05.26**

Half term: **25 - 29 May 2026**

2nd half of term: **02.06.26 - 17.07.26**

INSET days - Mon 1 June & Mon 20 July

GREEN TOKEN RESULTS	Class	Tokens
Rec, Year 1 & 2	**2L**	78
Year 3 & 4	**4V**	187
Year 5 & 6	**5F**	212

GOLDEN AWARDS

NH - **LATIFA**
RPG - **MASSI**
RS – **CHARLESON**

1A - **NADIM**
1M –**ZORA**
2L – **KOTARO**
2S – **ROCCO**

3J - **VITA**
3E - **KAHDIJAH**
4V– **MAE**
4RA – **ARIANA**
4RT - **JAHZIAH**

5E - **JASPER**
5F – **FRANCES**
5/6D – **SOFIA**
6J– **WHOLE CLASS**
6C – **WHOLE CLASS**

YEAR 3 VISIT THE GARDEN CLASSROOM

This week our Y3 classes used their scientific knowledge during their sessions with The Garden Classroom. They thoroughly enjoyed exploring King Henry's Walk and completing various experiments helping them to classify rocks.

It was so exciting and I loved seeing the fox' - **Safiya**

'The hot chocolate was delicious and warmed us up' - **River**

'I liked looking at rocks' - **Sterling**

YEAR 3 VISIT GARDEN CLASSROOM CONTINUED.....

RPG CLASS ASSEMBLY

On Thursday, RPG delighted the school community with their wonderful assembly performance of The Gruffalo. After weeks of dedicated rehearsals, the children confidently took to the stage and brought this much loved story to life with enthusiasm, creativity and joy.

From the expressive storytelling to the clear narration, lively acting and carefully learned lines, every child played an important role in making the performance such a success. The audience was thoroughly entertained, with many smiles and moments of laughter throughout, as the children skilfully retold the tale of the clever mouse and the fearsome Gruffalo.

It was clear to see how much effort had gone into preparing for the performance, not only in learning lines and actions, but also in developing confidence, teamwork and stage presence. The children supported one another brilliantly and should feel extremely proud of what they achieved.

A big thank you to the staff for their hard work in guiding and supporting the children, and to families for your continued encouragement. Performances like this are a wonderful opportunity to celebrate creativity and build confidence, and RPG truly shone. Well done to everyone involved!

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Please remember to inform the main office of any changes to your contact details i.e: home number, mobile phone number, address, or if your child has a medical condition.

CLASS 4V'S TRIP TO THE SCHOOL OF FOOD

This week 4V visited the Hackney School of Food. They worked brilliantly in teams to make souvlaki and pitta bread. The children benefited from the expert advice from Chef Lara and really enjoyed follow her recipe. 4V experimented with their bread making skills by flattening their pitta breads into shapes or to include patterns. Their souvlaki skewers were uniquely arranged into different patterns based on taste preference or visual presentation. Well done for an excellent trip 4V!

WELL DONE YEAR 6!

We would like to extend a huge and heartfelt well done to our Year 6 children for the outstanding effort and determination they demonstrated during SATs week. After many months of dedicated preparation, they approached each test with impressive resilience, focus and a truly positive mindset. We could not be prouder of the maturity and perseverance they showed, tackling each challenge with confidence and giving their very best throughout.

SATs week can be demanding, but our pupils rose to the occasion brilliantly. They supported one another, remained motivated and showed just how much they have grown, not only academically, but also in their independence, confidence and character. Their hard work and commitment have been evident every step of the way, and they should feel incredibly proud of all they have achieved.

We are looking forward to the final half term with them, residential, end of year performances and much more !

JTP COFFEE MORNING SOCIAL

Please join us on **Friday 22nd May 9.15-9.45am** in the bottom hall for a JTP coffee morning. We will be discussing our Gayhurst Cookbook and sampling some recipes. If you are able to bring along your recipes or some treats to share, it would be greatly appreciated. If you are unable to attend you can also send in recipes or baked goods to the office on Friday morning. There will also be coffee, tea and cake provided.

KEY DATES FOR THIS TERM

Tues 19 May	Nursery Sports day am Reception, Y1 & Y2 Sports day pm
Thurs 21 May	**4RA** class assembly at 3pm
Fri 22 May	JTP Coffee Morning Social 9.15—9.45am
Mon 25 - Fri 29 May	Half term break
Mon 1 June	**INSET day– school closed to children**
Mon 1 June - Fri 5 June	Y6 Residential trip
Tues 2 June	Children return to school for second half of Summer Term
Thurs 4 June	EYFS & Y1 & Y2 # TAG event 4.30-6pm
Thurs 11 June	**1M** class assembly at 3pm
Thurs 18 June	**RS** class assembly at 3pm
Wed 24 June	Y5 & 6 Sports day pm
Mon 29 June	Y3 & 4 Sports day pm
Sat 4 July	COGS Summer Fair
Mon 6 July	Y6 production at 5pm **6C** & **5/6D** group
Tues 7 July	Y6 production at 5pm **6J** & **5/6D** group
Wed 8 July	Gayhurst Summer BBQ 5—8pm
Tues 14 July	Gymnastics performances: 2.30pm for **1A, 4RA & 5/6D** 3pm for **5F & 5E** + Y6 Disco 5—6.30pm
Wed 15 July	Y6 Leavers' assembly at 2.40pm
Thurs 16 July	Meet the teacher (Rec—Y6) + Class parties
Fri 17 July	Last day of Summer Term— **school closes early for children att 1.30pm** (no clubs or extended day)