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LEAP NEWS

Friday 12th June 2026

SPANISH PHRASE of the week

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

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

MANDEVILLE ON BBC NEWSROUND FOR TOY STORY 5 PREMIERE

Christopher and Farrah from Mandeville School recently had the exciting opportunity to attend the Toy Story 5 Leicester Square red-carpet premiere and interview some of the film's biggest stars!

Working alongside the BBC Newsround team, including Otis and Grace, Christopher and Farrah spent time on the red carpet, meeting celebrities and asking questions about the highly anticipated new film.

Before taking to the red carpet, Christopher and Farrah were invited to watch Toy Story 5 before its official release. Watching the film beforehand helped them prepare thoughtful questions and gave them a good understanding of the story and its themes. The latest Toy Story adventure explores what happens when screens, tablets and iPads begin to take centre stage, leaving traditional toys wondering where they fit in.

Christopher and Farrah were incredibly professional throughout the day and did a fantastic job representing Mandeville. They confidently interviewed Tom Hanks (Woody), Tim Allen (Buzz Lightyear), Joan Cusack (Jessie) and Greta Lee (Lilypad), asking thoughtful questions and engaging with the stars on the red carpet. We are extremely proud of them both for making the most of this wonderful opportunity. Their confidence, preparation and professionalism shone through, and they were excellent ambassadors for Mandeville school.

Be sure to tune in to Newsround on **Monday 15th June** to watch their interviews and see them in action on the red carpet! Toy Story 5 will be released to the public on **Friday 19th June**.

Congratulations, Christopher & Farrah, on an unforgettable experience!

"It was wonderful to see our children shine on the red carpet and they looked completely at ease throughout the experience. Opportunities like this are truly special, and we are delighted that they represented our school so brilliantly. A huge thank you to the Newsround team for making this fantastic opportunity possible."

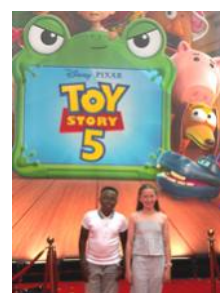
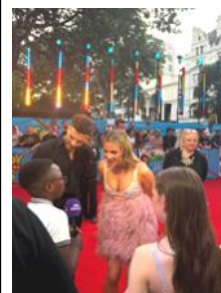
Marc, Mandeville's Headteacher.

"This experience was amazing. I still can't believe I got to interview the stars of Toy Story 5! It was also fantastic to work with the Newsround team, as it's one of the best news programmes for children." - **Christopher**

"I had a fantastic day. Interviewing the actors was really special and they were all so kind to us. Watching the film beforehand helped us prepare our questions, and I found the story about technology and iPads taking over from toys really interesting." - **Farrah**

TOY STORY PREMIERE CONTINUED.....

Kaltum, Mandeville's Deputy Head, who accompanied both children on the day said: *"Christopher and Farrah did so well. We had Disney's YouTube team right next to us but we had the lure of the kids so all the stars came to us!"*



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FREE COMMUNITY CRICKET

Platform Cricket are running a free Community Hub session at Victoria Park, Bow, every Thursday evening from 5:00pm to 6:00pm throughout the summer term. All Key Stage 2 children in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 are welcome to attend.



For further information and to confirm your place please contact **Arafat on 07852 738 965** or email arafat.bhuiyan@platform-ldn.org

VOLUNTARY DONATIONS

Dear LEAP Families

At LEAP we recognise the valuable contribution that extra-curricular activities and trips make towards enriching your child's education. We employ specialist provision teachers, who work across the Federation schools, to provide a variety of engaging, extra activities such as gymnastics, art, drumming, dance, musical instruments and cooking lessons. We also arrange school trips, offer cycle training, provide our very own Forest school and pay for visits from theatre groups and other workshop providers. These activities are all built in to the school day and are available to every child, however they are all over and above what we are funded for and expected to deliver and we believe this is what makes our schools so popular with children and parents alike.

Like most schools across Hackney, The LEAP Federation continue to face rising costs and budget cuts. We need to find additional money from somewhere or cut the services we hold to be so important to our daily school life.

In the face of these financial pressures, we are asking for voluntary support from any parents who feel able. These extremely valuable donations help us maintain the current offering of activities. We will report back to each school community what the donations they have made over the school year have funded.

We recognise that the cost of living is rising for everyone and therefore not everyone will be able to donate. We want to reassure you that donations are confidential and that all children will benefit equally. The prioritisation of our specialist provision that all children have access to will mean every child benefits.

We are asking for a **voluntary donation of £10 or more** if you can afford to per term which can be made via your child's Arbor dashboard, under the 'School Shop' tab of the dashboard. <https://login.arbor.sc/>

We thank you all for all your support in whatever way you choose to offer it. The LEAP federation is a strong community and your support makes such a big difference and is very much appreciated.

COULD YOU HELP SHAPE OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY?

At LEAP, we believe one of our greatest assets is the incredible community of parents and carers around us — and we'd love to tap into that!

We're building a register of parent and carer skills and professions to draw on for future projects, workshops and enrichment opportunities for our pupils. Whether you're an engineer, an artist, a chef, a builder or anything in between — your expertise could make a real difference to our children's learning.

Being on our register doesn't commit you to anything. We would simply get in touch if a relevant opportunity arises, and you're always free to say no.

If you'd like to be included, please email admin@leapfederation.org with **LEAP Families Skills Register** as the subject line, **giving your name, your child's school and class, and a brief description of your profession or skill.**

Thank you — we look forward to hearing from you!

JTP PARENT SURVEY

As this year's Justin Thompson Project draws to an end, we would very much appreciate parent and carer feedback on their experience of participating in the project. Here's a short reminder of some of the elements of the project that you might have been involved in since September last year:

My Name - discussions with your child about the story of their name and why you chose it.

My Story - sharing elements of your families' story, your childhood memories, creating My Story posters using photos from your past, children's work with visiting poets, story jars, story stones etc

Story Exchange - child & parent cooking sessions at School of Food, sharing family recipes, phrases, favourite songs, multi-generational interactions and sharing of stories.

My Future Story - children thinking about their hopes and dreams.

Please do take a minute to complete this short online questionnaire so we can gather feedback from LEAP families about the project.

You can use the QR code or this link to the questionnaire:

JTP Parent Feedback 25-26



[JTP Parent Feedback 25-26 - fill in form](#)



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	Class	Tokens
Rec, Year 1 & 2	2L	84
Year 3 & 4	3E	200
Year 5 & 6	5F	153



GOLDEN AWARDS

NH - LANA
RPG - OVI
RS - ZEBEDEE

1A - LINUS
1M - CLEO
2L - UMI
2S - KAYLA

3J - IBRAHIM
3E - YAQUB
4V - VIKTOR
4RA - SORAYA
4RT - REYAN

5E - TYRONE
5F - USMAN
5/6D - HEDAYA
6J - ANGIOLINA
6C - CHIDI

TAG OPENING FOR RECEPTION, YEARS 1 & 2

Last Thursday evening saw another wonderful art gallery opening. Parents and carers from Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 were invited to see the wonderful installation that showcased all of their children's stencils of their names.

Each child worked on their own stencil which was then put together by Claire (Art Hoppers) to create the final piece for the installation.

We also had voice recordings of the stories of the children's names to listen to whilst viewing the work, linking to the Story of My Name work we completed earlier this year as part of the Justin Thompson Project (JTP).

As well as the lovely art-work, there was delicious food provided by Sergio and the kitchen team- thank you. It really was a treat for the senses! Well done everyone!



YEAR 5 AT BRIDGE ACADEMY

This week 5E and 5F visited Bridge Academy for a science lesson. The lesson was testing out different materials and the reactions they made when placed in a Bunsen burner. The children made predictions about the colours they would see and then tested these predictions by conducting the experiments. All of children worked brilliantly whilst there and were a credit to Gayhurst. They even earned their Bunsen burner licence!

'It was so good- I loved it!' - **Sebastian**. *'We looked at the periodic table to identify the metals.'* - **Ayanna**



1M'S ASSEMBLY

1M put on a fantastic performance all about Women of the Past for their recent class assembly! They told the stories of Emily Davison and Rosa Parks. They sang beautifully and used really clear, loud voices. Well done, 1M! We are so proud of you.

Zora - *We learnt all about equality and standing up for people's rights.* **Elliott** - *I loved it!* **Saga** - *It was fun to dress up.*



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COGS SUMMER FAIR

Saturday 4th July

The countdown to the CoGS Summer Fair is officially on and we need our amazing Gayhurst community to help make the magic happen!

Last year's Fair was a huge success thanks to 90+ volunteers giving their time, energy and brilliant ideas. This year, we're aiming for 10–15 volunteers from every year group with a particularly big push from Reception to Year 2 families. We're introducing some healthy year-group competition by keeping a running tally to see which year group volunteers the most!

The Fair is powered by the creativity of our parent and carer community. The best stalls are fun and accessible for all ages, easy to run and great at raising money for the school. If it gets children excited & helps raise funds, we want to

hear about it! CoGS can reimburse reasonable costs for creating a successful stall, although many families generously choose to donate materials or supplies to help maximise the profits made overall.

Got an idea but not sure if it'll work? Thinking of running something but need advice? Please get in touch! We're happy to help shape your stall into a Fair favourite. You can either: email gayhurstcogs@gmail.com or fill out this form: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/z3seAeBGiR>



Come along and JOIN IN THE FUN!
The CoGS summer fair will take place on **Saturday 4th July**, from 2–4 pm.
Adults £1, children go free and get £2 tokens to spend at the Fair.

GIVE YOUR TIME!
Click [here](#) to share your ideas or volunteer on a stall, or with set-up / take-down.
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/z3seAeBGiR>

DONATE RAFFLE PRIZES!
Donate top-quality, desirable prizes via gayhurstcogs@gmail.com

DONATE NEAR-PERFECT TOYS AND BOOKS
no missing parts, pieces or pages!
These will be accepted at the School Office from 22nd June.

DONATE NEAR-PERFECT ADULTS AND CHILDREN'S CLOTHING
no holes or stains.
These will be accepted at the School Office from 22nd June.

DONATE MULTI-PACKS OF VEGETARIAN SWEETS OR LOLLIES
to give as prizes.
These will be accepted at the School Office from 22nd June.

A SEASON TO CELEBRATE!

We are delighted to share some fantastic sporting achievements from our pupils this term, reflecting their hard work, teamwork and determination.

Our cricket team had an excellent season, finishing in an impressive 3rd place overall. The children demonstrated great skill



A SEASON TO CELEBRATE CONTINUED.....

and resilience throughout their matches, improving with every game and proudly representing the school.

We are equally thrilled to celebrate the success of the **Gayhurst girls' football team**, who finished in an impressive 2nd place in the Hackney Girls' Football League tournament on Tuesday. The girls competed brilliantly against some of the strongest teams in Hackney, showing great skill, determination, and teamwork throughout the day. They should be incredibly proud of their achievement and the way they represented the school.



A big thank you goes to the staff who supported and coached the pupils, as well as to families for their encouragement and support.

Well done to all of our players, we look forward to even more sporting success in the future!

MHST ONLINE SECONDARY TRANSITION PARENT WORKSHOPS

Summer Parent/Carer workshops

Delivered by City & Hackney Mental Health Support in Schools Team

July-August 2026

WED 29
12.00 PM - 1.00 PM
ONLINE WORKSHOP

Supporting the transition to secondary school: for parents/carers of autistic young people

WED 05
12.00 PM - 1.00 PM
ONLINE WORKSHOP

Supporting the transition to secondary school: for parents/carers of ADHDers

WED 12
12.00 PM - 1.00 PM
ONLINE WORKSHOP

Supporting your child's transition to secondary school

WED 19
12.00 PM - 1.00 PM
ONLINE WORKSHOP

Supporting your child with fears and worries

WED 26
12.00 PM - 1.00 PM
ONLINE WORKSHOP

Supporting restful sleep for your child

Scan the QR or use link to sign up: <https://forms.office.com/e/c22Dr8v8w7?qsitem=tbl&ln>



KEY DATES FOR THIS TERM

- 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 at 1.30pm (no clubs or extended day)