



LEARNING EDUCATION ARTS PARTNERSHIP



# LEAP NEWS

## Friday 2nd October 2020

**SPANISH PHRASE** of the week:

**Llueve mucho en otoño..... It rains a lot in Autumn .....**

**Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership**

### COMPUTING AT LEAP

Across our LEAP schools this year we have introduced Purple Mash as our new computing scheme. This is a fantastic online resource that can be used in school and at home to help children learn and develop their knowledge across a broad range of computing skills.

This term we have all been focusing on coding and online safety, starting with simple algorithms and instructional programs within the scheme. Purple Mash is a comprehensive suite of online learning tools and content, designed to be used by Primary aged children in the classroom and at home, check it out at home here.

<https://2simple.com/purple-mash/purple-mash-parents/>

As a parent or carer, you can find out about your child's learning on Purple Mash and support them beyond the classroom by registering with Parent Portal.

Parent Portal allows you to easily see the learning your child has been doing on Purple Mash, including any comments on work from teachers, homework (2Dos), rewards and so much more. You will never miss out on being informed of your child's learning as Parent Portal sends all registered users a weekly digest email.

You can start using Parent Portal today by following the 3 simple steps below:-

Step 1: Enter URL on your child's login card.

Step 2: Click 'Register as a parent'.

Step 3: Enter the 'Parent Code' on your child's login card and follow additional instructions.

Login cards can be obtained from the school office

### DONATION TO LEAP SCHOOLS

The Chefs in Schools charity (which the LEAP Federation helped to found), have linked us with [Nana's Manners](#) who have donated some specially designed cutlery for our smallest children in each school. This product won investment on [Dragons Den](#)

**DONATION TO LEAP SCHOOLS CONTINUED....**

and 700 sets have kindly been donated to the children of LEAP. The children say "they feel really nice in my hand", "they help me cut my food".



### READING & BOOKS

We are constantly adapting to the ongoing pandemic to ensure that we get the right balance between keeping everyone safe and providing the optimum learning experience. With that in mind we are making a few changes regarding books that we need you to be aware of.

Reading is such an important part of the learning journey of every child but the pandemic has made the sharing of books, so that children can read at home, extremely problematic. We are keen to ensure that children are reading at the appropriate level at home every day and we are confident that we can now send books home in a COVID safe way. Therefore we will resume sending books home with your children from next week. We will use the following procedure to make this process as COVID safe as possible:

- Your child will receive up to 3 books in a plastic wallet every Monday.
- The plastic wallet must be returned every Friday.
- The wallet will be quarantined over the weekend and be returned the following Monday.

### BE AWARE! SCHOOL STREETS CAMERAS

A reminder from Hackney Council to Mandeville and Kingsmead parents/carers that cameras will be in place as of **Monday 5th October** as part of the new School Streets scheme, and **finer will be issued to any cars without exemption entering either Kingsmead Way or Oswald Street between 8.30 - 9.30am and 3 - 4pm**. This is part of Hackney Council's scheme to reduce pollution and traffic around Hackney Schools at the time that children start and end their school days. The School Streets scheme around Gayhurst school is already live.

You can find out more information here: <https://hackney.gov.uk/school-streets> where you can also get information about those who could qualify for exemptions and if, as a resident in the School Street area, your vehicle is automatically exempt.

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# GAYHURST NEWS

## SCHOOL DINNERS

### Autumn Term 2020

#### 1st half of term

02/09/20 — 23/10/20 = £ 70

#### 2nd half of term

03/11/20 — 18/12/20 = £ 61.25

Whole term = £131.25

INSET DAYS: 01/09/20 & 02/11/20

## TOP ATTENDANCE

Every week we feature the classes with the top attendance in this section of the newsletter

Reception: **RH** – 99% Attendance

Yr 1 & 2: **2M & 2RJ** – 99% Attendance

Yr 3 & 4: **4J & 4L** – 99% Attendance

Yr 5 & 6: **6C** – 97% Attendance



## GOLDEN AWARDS

NM - **MUSA**  
NR - **ZAINAB**  
RJ - **ARAS**  
RR - **GAEL**  
RH- **ORLANDO**

1M - **ERSI**  
1P - **MARGO**  
1/2C - **LUCA**  
2M - **KHALIL**  
2RJ - **TYLER**

3L - **BELLA**  
3H - **ISAAC**  
3/4A - **OLIVER**  
4J - **LAND**  
4L - **RITA**

5W - **CHLOE D**  
5J - **LOUIS**  
5/6M - **ARIAM**  
6T - **GUILIA**  
6C - **AMID**

## CLASS 2JR NEWS

For our PHSCE lessons we are using the Jigsaw scheme of work which has been carefully created to support our children through the challenges of this year.

We play lots of games and focus on being a team. We sit in a circle and discuss the rules of circle time. We know we are in a safe place where we can share our thoughts and feelings. We listen to each other and give positive comments and feedback. This week we discussed the importance of turn taking and working as a team. We listened to the story Chicken Licken and discussed how she felt when no one wanted to help her. We spoke about our friends and how they support us. We also talked about how we can be good friends even though we may be socially distant from some of them.

### What makes a good friend?

"I don't leave my friends out" -

**Beatrice.** "I look out for people who are lonely" - **Aminah.** "I always support my friends" - **Cormac**

**Did you help anyone in lockdown?**

"I helped my grandpa get shopping" - **Dontai**

**Ways to be a good friend whilst social distancing?**

"Zoom call to see if they are okay" -

**Beatrice.** "Blow a kiss" - **Anton.**

"Social distanced high 5" - **Anton**

### What makes you feel calm?

"Reading my book in my garden" -

**Astrid**

In Maths in 2JR we have been learning all about multiplying through repeated addition. We used concrete resources to help us create repeated addition calculations. We learnt that 3 lots of 2 is the same as '2 + 2 + 2 ='. We then used our counting in multiples of two understanding to help us solve. Have a look at our work.

"You can do it was 2 lots of 3 or 3 lots of 2" -

**Rediet.**



## TECHNOLOGY SURVEY

Parents and carers will receive a link to fill out a technology survey this week via email. This survey is for us to see the access that children have to technology at home. We will use the results of the survey to help us identify any children that need support should any bubbles be sent home for a 2-week period. We want to ensure that all children are able to access live teaching if a bubble is isolating at home.

## EXTENDED DAYCARE

A few weeks ago we surveyed parents about after school care during Covid in order to hear what people wanted going forward. The main issue is of course that we can't mix children across bubbles in after school care because if we did and a positive case occurred all children who had been in after school care as well as the child's bubble would have to self-isolate and more classes would be closed as a result.. None of us want this and our top priority is to stay open as much as possible for our core purpose which is education. With the number of infections in our community rising again, we do not believe it is the right time to relax our current systems. Several Hackney schools have already closed classes and year groups because of positive cases. The cost and logistics of maintaining class bubbles in after school care make it financially unviable even if we had staff who were able to do it. Therefore there will be no breakfast club or after school provision for the foreseeable future and like everything else we will keep it under review.

## HOMEWORK CHALLENGE CARDS

On Monday children will be bringing home their Homework Challenge Cards. Please remember to support your child to complete at least 3 tasks which should be returned after half term on Tuesday 3rd November. Homework will be left separately for 72 hours before being looked at/ marked. The challenge tasks are designed to be practical & creative but please use the red homework book to record what your child has completed. We look forward to seeing the children's amazing work!



## CONFIRMED COVID CASE

One child has tested positive for coronavirus in 1P Phoebe's class. This means that one bubble 30 children and 4 staff members will self-isolate for 14 days as they are identified as close contacts to the child.

Siblings of children in 1P can continue to come into school. A whole household is required to isolate only if there is a positive case in the household. If any child develops symptoms, please isolate the entire household and book a test. All parents have received a letter today by email as a reminder of what the process is.