





## AUTUMN TERM 2023

1st half of term: **04.09.23 - 20.10.23**  
 Half term: **23 - 27 Oct 2023**  
 2nd half of term: **30.10.23 - 19.12.23**  
 INSET days: Fri 1 Sept 23  
 Wed 20 Dec 23

GREEN TOKEN RESULTS	Class	Tokens
Rec, Year 1 & 2	RLC	55
Year 3 & 4	3/4M	37
Year 5 & 6	5R	44



## GOLDEN AWARDS

NH am - **FELIX**  
 NH pm - **LILE**  
 RLC - **ORLO**  
 RK - **FABIAN**

1G - **EREN**  
 1V - **OLIVE**  
 2S - **FRIDA**  
 2P - **RAMI**  
 2L - **MOLLY**

3C - **LOLA**  
 3E - **SEHER**  
 3/4M - **MAXWELL**  
 4D - **GABRIEL**  
 4E - **DEAN**

5R - **MIRA**  
 5S - **CORBIN**  
 5/6W - **JOSHUA**  
 6J - **RYLEE**  
 6C - **JIHAN**

## MACBETH PERFORMANCE

Last week, pupils in years 5 and 6 had the privilege of being entertained by the outstanding cast of the New International Encounter (NIE) theatre company from Bethnal Green. During the hour-long performance of Shakespeare's MacBeth, the children became fully immersed in the story line and were given the opportunity to become members of the cast wearing Shakespearean attire. The enthusiastic cast of 3, who pulled off an excellent performance directed by Micheal Judge, were truly amazing. A modern twist was brought to the performance which included mention of mobile phones and Nike Tech Fleece. The cast kept their audience really engaged. The performance ended with an informative question-and-answer session.



*"I loved the performance, it was great. I really enjoyed the experience of being able to get on the stage."* - **Rediet 5/6W**

*"I found it really amazing, I loved the music and how interactive it was".* **Sunday 6J**

*"I loved how one person played three characters"* - **Gus 5S**

*"I loved the audience participation"* **Louis 5S**

*"I liked it when they opened the sweet case"* **Kieron 5S**



## READING PARENT WORKSHOP

This week, we invited Year 1 and 2 parents into school to discuss the Phonics programme and how to support your child with reading. During the session we discussed the Ruth Miskin Read, Write Inc scheme and how it is structured and taught. Parents were able to get an insight into how sounds are taught and what terms like 'blending', 'fred talk' and 'special friends' was. We also shared some helpful websites where parents could get extra resources and support materials to help children at home. Have a look!



[Reading at Home - Oxford Owl for Home](#)

[Parent guide to Read Write Inc. Phonics - Oxford Owl](#)

## KEY DATES THIS TERM

- Mon 9 Oct** Secondary Transfer meeting Yr 6 parents 5.30pm
- Tues 10 Oct** World Mental Health Day children are invited to wear something **yellow**
- Wed 11 Oct** Parent & Carer workshop: Mental Health focus on Anxiety 9.10 - 10am +  
International Evening Coffee Afternoon 2.45pm
- Mon 16 Oct** School photographer in for individual photos
- Wed 18 Oct** Parent & Carer workshop: Maths for Rec 9.10 - 9.45am +  
Year 6 parent residential trip meeting 5pm
- Mon 23 - Fri 27 Oct** Half term break
- Wed 1 Nov** Parent & Carer workshop: Maths for Yr 1 & 2 9.15 - 9.45am
- Thurs 2 Nov** **6J** Class assembly 3pm +  
HSoF Autumn Trail 4.30 - 7pm
- Fri 3 Nov** Coffee Morning LEAP Empowerment Curriculum 9.15am
- Wed 8 Nov** Parent & Carer workshop: Colourful Semantics for Rec to Year 3 9.10 - 10am
- Thurs 9 Nov** **1G** Class assembly 3pm + COGS AGM 5pm
- Thurs 16 Nov** **3C** Class assembly 3pm +  
International Eve 4.30—7pm
- Thurs 23 Nov** **5R** Class assembly 3pm
- Wed 6 Dec** Parent & Carer Evening - **school closes early for children at 1.30pm**
- Tues 12 Dec** End of term Gymnastics performances for 1.30pm for **4D, 2S, & 3/4M** 3pm for **5/6W & 2L**
- Fri 15 Dec** End of term Drumming & Dance performances 1.30pm for **4E & 1K** 2.30pm for **2P, 3E, & 5S**
- Tues 19 Dec** Last day of Autumn Term - **school closes early for children at 1.30pm**

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## DATE CHANGE FOR YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL MEETING

Year 6 Residential meeting will now be on **Wednesday 18th October at 5pm** not Wednesday 11th October.

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### BLACK HISTORY MONTH & THE LEAP EMPOWERMENT CURRICULUM

October is Black History Month and this year's theme is **Celebrating Our Sisters** and highlights the crucial role black women have played in shaping history, inspiring change and building communities.



#### Rich, Relevant and Representative: The LEAP Empowerment Curriculum

At LEAP, we ensure that Black History is taught all year round and woven throughout the curriculum, not just during Black History month. Over the past couple of years we have analysed each unit of work across the curriculum to evaluate whether or not it meets our vision for a rich, relevant and representative curriculum. We have researched, discussed, questioned and looked at meaningful ways to develop each unit. From history, geography, art, music to our core reading texts we have changed the content, to reflect world culture and move away from a Eurocentric view, whilst ensuring we are still covering the National Curriculum expectations. We continue to analyse and assess the impact and value of these changes and welcome feedback from our school community. Our recent staircase murals at Gayhurst and Mandeville (and we hope soon to be at Kingsmead) reflect our commitment to ensuring we celebrate every culture and the story of the development of all humankind.



We would like to invite you to our **Empowerment Curriculum Coffee Morning on Friday 3rd November at 9.15am**, where you will be able to find out more about our approach and what your children will be learning. You can find out more on the LEAP federation website [here](#).

### FOOTBALL NEWS

The boys and girls football teams were off to a brilliant start this week, winning all of their games at the competition held at Eastway this week. It was great to see both the boys and girls working brilliantly as part of a team. Well done!



### JUNIOR ROAD SAFETY OFFICERS

This week, we announced our new Junior Road Safety Officers – **Ani and Xavier**. They joined children from schools around the borough for a training session at the Tomlinson Centre to learn about being safe on the roads. They learnt about cycle safety, how to present ideas, effective posters and vehicle safety including speed limits, e-bikes, e-scooters, and lorries. They also learnt about ways to campaign for road safety and Vision Zero which is the Mayor of London's plan to have zero accidents on the roads of London. Councillor Anya Sizer addressed the children and encouraged them to think about what they can do to make a difference in their role. She said she is very proud of all the JRSOs and stressed the importance of their jobs.



**Xavier** said "I liked the videos about being safe on the roads and using the speed camera."

### INTERNATIONAL EVENING COFFEE AFERNOON



We are holding a coffee afternoon for parents and carers on **Wednesday 11th October at 2:45pm** to discuss plans for our International Evening this term. We will be looking for parents to support with food, drinks, music and dance. Or, if you have any ideas that you would like to share, please do come along- there will be cake!

### EXTENDED DAY COLLECTION

As the evenings are getting darker, we are asking parents to collect children from late extended day at 5:45pm from next week. If your child usually has permission to walk home alone, they will need to be collected by an adult from next week if they are in late extended day until 5:45pm. Thank you.

### NO JEWELLERY

A reminder that jewellery should not be worn to school. We are seeing an increasing number of children in jewellery, ranging from long, dangling earrings to stacks of bracelets to necklaces with large pendants. None of these are safe or appropriate for a busy playground so we ask that children do not come to school wearing them. Some children are wearing trackers as necklaces; if you feel your child needs a tracker, then please do not attach this as a necklace. Thank you for your understanding.