

LEAP NEWS

Friday 24th November 2023

SPANISH PHRASE of the week
¿Qué música te gusta? What music do you like?...

Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership

YEAR 1 & 2 SCHOOL COUNCILLORS VISIT TOWN HALL

This week the Year 1 and 2 school councillors from Gayhurst, Kingsmead and Mandeville had a joint visit to Hackney Town Hall. *'I liked when we saw the Speaker and she showed us the Town Hall' - Kalifa Yr 1.* The children enjoyed getting to know the other school councillors across LEAP. They took part in a debate, using their speaking and listening skills.

Before leaving, the children visited the nine foot-high statues, titled Warm Shores, which were created by Thomas J Price to celebrate the contribution the Windrush generation has made to the UK. *'I loved when we saw the statues.'* - Carter Yr 1. *'We liked going to the vaults and having a tour around.'* - Elena & Prince-Royson Yr 2.

'I was so excited to see her office, it was really fun' - Zara 1V. *'I was a little bit nervous at the start but I really loved the tour' - Bo 2P*



'I liked seeing the chamber where the councillors meet' - Phoebe



'I enjoyed the debate the most' - Malu



'I liked getting to vote in the debate' - Huseyin

'I liked seeing where the weddings happen' - Jaedon



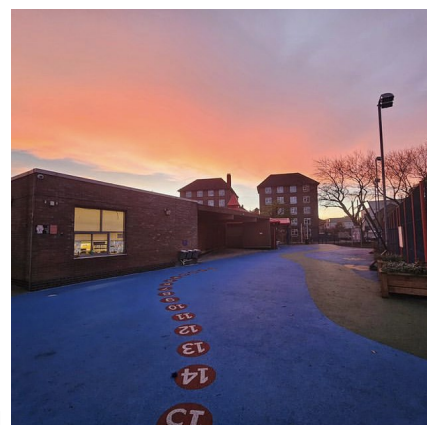
KINGSMEAD OFSTED

Kingsmead had an OFSTED inspection on Wednesday and Thursday this week, which was its first inspection since it was graded Outstanding in 2011, twelve years ago!

Two inspectors were with the school for two full days and looked into all aspects of school life from nursery to year 6, visiting lessons, playtimes, lunch provision and extended day. They looked at children's learning in great detail including a selection of children's work books and analysed our curriculum in great detail. They met with parents in the playground, the local authority school improvement partner and our governors. Very importantly they held several meetings with children of all ages to ask them about their school.

They then decided grades for each of those areas. At present the outcome is confidential, as what the inspectors judged now has to go through a quality control process. The full report and outcome will be published in around 4 – 6 weeks.

A huge thank you to the amazing effort by Kingsmead staff, children, parents, the Gayhurst & Mandeville staff, our community and all our school governors. We are very pleased about how it went and look forward to sharing the outcome with you as soon as we are allowed to.



Kingsmead playground looking stunning at dawn on Wednesday

CHILDREN IN NEED TOTAL



Well done and thank you to everyone who brought in a donation for Children In Need last Friday, when children and staff wore their PJs to school. The total raised by the three LEAP schools was £619.41!



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	142
Year 3 & 4	4E	147
Year 5 & 6	5R	159



GOLDEN AWARDS

NH am - **JA'NAIYA**
 NH pm - **AEL**
 RLC - **RAFI**
 RK - **EZEKIEL**

1G - **REMI**
 1V - **JANELIA**
 2S - **BENJAMIN**
 2P - **HARPER**
 2L - **ARLO**

3C - **SYD**
 3E - **RAPHAEL**
 3/4M - **ACAI**
 4D - **CHIDI**
 4E - **MOHAMMED**

5R - **ELIAS**
 5S - **WILFRID**
 5/6W - **BELLA**
 6J - **LEANDER**
 6C - **SOLE**

ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK

Reception and Nursery have been very busy learning all about Road Safety as part of Road Safety Awareness week. They were able to practice crossing the road safely, remembering to look left and right. They also learnt why it's important to 'Be Bright Be Seen' especially as the days are getting shorter and it is getting darker earlier. Have a look at their brilliant learning.



LOOKING FOR LEARNING COUNCIL

The Looking For Learning Council have been focusing on Art recently. To help with understanding this area of the curriculum better, they visited some classrooms during Art lessons, to get a better understanding of how children learn the different Art skills. Have a look at the photos below. "The children were really focused" said **Rufus**. "I was impressed by the Art skills in the Year 2 classes" said **Talila**.



COGS WINTER FAIR

More hands needed for the Gayhurst Winter Fair! If you can give one or more hours of support on **Saturday 9th**

December, to help at the CoGs Winter Fair, please email gayhurstcogs@gmail.com. No experience needed, just a willingness to maybe serve festive food and drink; help with one of the pre-organised stalls or activities (the grotto, games, clothes and face-paint are all looking for helpers); or clear-up at the end.

Not available on the 9th? Come help 'deck the halls' in preparation on **Friday 8th December**. Get involved and feel that warm winter glow supporting your school community!

PARENT & CARER EVENING

We are using Arbor for booking parents evening times and we have set up accounts for parents. **You will need to access this Arbor account, to book a slot for our parent/carers evening on Wednesday 6th December 1:50-7pm. You will not be able to book a time slot, unless you access the parent account on Arbor.** You need to register using the email we have listed on our system. You can do this by following the instructions below. To finish creating your account, you just need to set a password. You can do this by going to login.arbor.sc, clicking on 'Forgotten Password?' and following the instructions on screen. You will have already received an email with your username. If you have trouble setting up your password or have general questions about the Parent Portal, visit this [Help Centre article](#).

3C'S CINEMA TRIP

3C had a wonderful time at the cinema this Tuesday as a special treat for winning the Book Corner Competition. They saw The Smeds & Smoos / Superworm double feature, and they had a really lovely time.

Taiga said "I liked both the movies."

Wren said "I liked that the Smeds and Smoos got to be friends."



KEY DATES THIS TERM

- Wed 6 Dec** Parent & Carer Evening – **school closes early for children at 1.30pm**
- Sat 9 Dec** CoGS Winter Fair 12–4pm
- Tues 12 Dec** End of term Gymnastics performances for 1.30pm for 4D, 2S & 3/4M 3pm for 5/6W & 2L
- Wed 13 Dec** **Nativity performances:**
 9.30am for parents of class 2S
 11am for parents of class 2L
 2pm for parents of class 2P
- Fri 15 Dec** End of term Drumming & Dance performances 1.30pm for 4E & 1K 2.30pm for 2P, 3E & 5S + Wear Festive Jumpers to school for Christmas lunch
- Tues 19 Dec** Last day of Autumn Term - **school closes early for children at 1.30pm**