

LEAP NEWS

Friday 19 April 2024

SPANISH PHRASE of the week
Me siento muy bien.....I feel very well

Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership

LEAP FEDERATION HAT TRICK!



Mandeville received their official OFSTED report this week and we're delighted to be able to share with you that they were graded Outstanding in all areas. We are very proud that in the last year all three LEAP schools **Gayhurst**, **Kingsmead** and now **Mandeville** have been graded as Outstanding by OFSTED. We

hope that speaks to the strength of the federation in working together as a group of Local Authority maintained schools. As a federation we have built our team to work together and achieved economies of scale both financially and in terms of workload for our staff. Headteachers work very closely together under the overall leadership of our Executive Headteacher and in this way all challenges and opportunities can be shared and the pressures on individuals reduced. For children this means a wider understanding of the borough they live in and a chance to regularly partner with children at other schools. It also means access to specialist teachers & wellbeing provision that could not be afforded by one school alone but can be shared across the federation.

HACKNEY RE CALENDAR COMPETITION

The annual Hackney RE calendar competition has commenced for 2024-25. Last year, LEAP schools made up almost half of the calendar illustrations (5 winners). It would be great to have more winners from LEAP this year. All the artwork is selected through a borough-wide poster competition, which is open to all pupils across from Year 1 upwards in Hackney Schools. This year's Religion and Worldviews competition theme is on **'Unity'** and aims to celebrate diversity & unity within the Hackney community. It also supports Hackney's 'No Place for Hate' campaign.

Entries: ALL entries (originals only) should be:

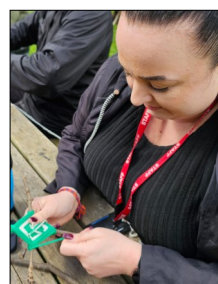
- On A4 landscape, preferably on coloured paper and/or using strong/bold colours – i.e. felt pens or paints, rather than pale pencils
- labelled clearly with pupils' names, school and year group must be clear on the back- not the front
- Preferably have no writing on the poster (labels, titles, names etc.)
- If entries do contain some text, please check words have the correct spelling before submission

Please hand in your completed entries to your teachers by **Tuesday 23rd of April**

LEAP STAFF HAVE FOREST SCHOOL INSET DAY

Staff from Gayhurst, Kingsmead and Mandeville spent a wet and windy day in the trees on Hackney Marshes on Monday this week, learning more about Forest School. We learnt new games and activities to share with the children and were really inspired by our trainer Richard from The Garden Classroom.

"Richard gave us some lovely ideas about activities we could do with our children, using the nature we have around us" - **Chloe**, Kingsmead's Reception class teacher.

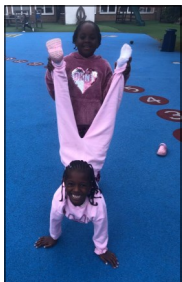


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LEAP SPRING HOLIDAY CAMPS

It was fantastic to see so many children attending the four days of Spring Holiday camps which ran at Gayhurst and at Kingsmead school (for both Mandeville and Kingsmead children). The children had lots of fun playing with their friends, taking part in fun physical games and sports activities, creative art workshops and cooking sessions at the Hackney School of Food.

A huge thank you to all the staff who worked at the camps, making this such a great experience for the children.



LEAP SPRING HOLIDAY CAMP CONTINUED....



HACKNEY SCHOOL OF FOOD AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

There are still a few spaces on Hackney School of Food's summer term after school club that takes place every Tuesday. Join Chef Theo as she leads chefs through seasonal recipes. For **ages 7+**. Please book [here](#).



SUMMER TERM AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

At Hackney School of Food



Join chef Theo in the kitchen every Tuesday to try out new recipes and learn about seasonality and growing



- Every Tuesday 3:45-5:15pm
- 15 April - 16 July
- Open to all children ages 7+
- £15 per session





SUMMER TERM 2024

1st half of term: 15.04.24 - 24.05.24

Half term: 27 - 31 May 2024

2nd half of term: 03.06.24 - 19.07.24

INSET days: Mon 22, Tues 23 &
Wed 24 July 2024

GREEN TOKEN RESULTS

Class	Tokens
Rec, Year 1 & 2	1V
Year 3 & 4	3/4E
Year 5 & 6	6C



GOLDEN AWARDS

NH - OLIVER
RLC- ELIZABETH
RK- UMA

1G - BRODIE
1V - YAQUB
2S - YASUMI
2P - RUFUS
2L - MILLIE

3C- ANGEL
3E- KAYODE
3/4M - HANLEY
4D - KIT
4E - ALI

5R - PARIS
5S - TYLER
5/6W - ANNABELLE
6J- LUCA
6C - CHLOE

WELCOME BACK!

We hope families had a lovely Spring holiday. It's great to see children happily back in school and ready for an exciting Summer Term ahead.

HOMEWORK CHALLENGE AWARDS

Last term we had some brilliant homework pieces from across the school. Ranging from detailed diagrams and scientific descriptions of the human ear to 3D sculptures of the Amazonian rainforest. As a school, it is so pleasing to see how hard the children work on their homework and the real pride they take in it. Here is a look at some of the brilliant pieces submitted last term!



Billie RK



Jay 1V

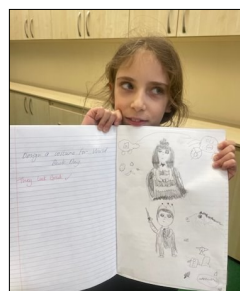


Vivian 2P

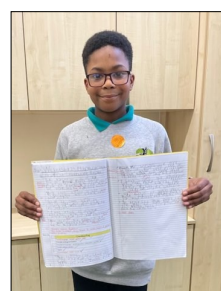


Wren 3C

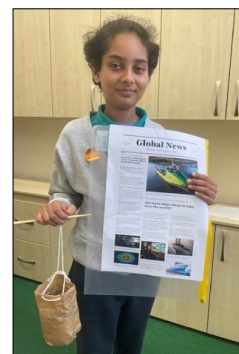
HOMEWORK CHALLENGE AWARDS CONTINUED.....



Dafne 4E



Rashan 5R



Finn 6C

CALLING RLC & RK CLASS PARENTS & CARERS

Next week the parents and carers of children in RK and RLC are invited into school during the day for a session where you can learn alongside your child and celebrate your child's achievements.

During the session you will be able to observe your child during a carpet session and engage with their learning once they are working independently.

Due to limited slots available we are only able to offer this to one adult per family.

For more details and information on how to book a slot, [click here](#).



KEY DATES THIS TERM

Thurs 25 April	3/4E class assembly 3pm
Thurs 9 May	5S class assembly 3pm + Parents Evening for class 3E 1.30—4.30pm
Fri 10 May	Parents Evening for class 3E 1.30—4.30pm
Thurs 23 May	RK class assembly 3pm
Mon 27 - Fri 31 May	Half term break
w/c Mon 3 June	Year 6 residential trip all week
Thurs 6 June	Rec, Yr 1 & Yr 2 #TAG exhibition opening
Friday 5 July	Gayhurst Summer Fair
Mon 10 June	Gayhurst parent & carer cooking session at Hackney School of Food 10am - 12noon
Friday 19 July	Last day of Summer Term— school closes early for children at 1.30pm

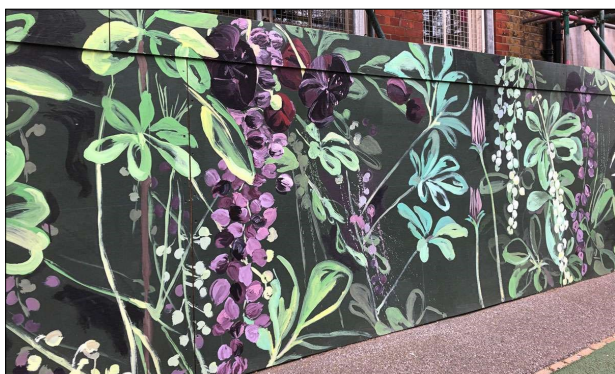
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NEW HOARDING MURAL

As many of you will have already seen we have a wonderful new bluebell mural on the hoarding which is up at Gayhurst, created by Claire from ArtHoppers. The theme was developed in consultation with Lidka, our school gardener and aims to promote the beauty and fragility of the flowers planted in the raised beds around the school grounds. A series of 3 wooden stools at the entrance of the school evoke a woodland feel in which the bluebell scene has been painted. The broader aims of the murals messaging is to encourage children to care for the flowers and help them to flourish.

A blackboard panel framed with painted botanical elements invites children to chalk in their own ideas of what lives and grows in their secret garden.

Claire will be working with Reception and Year 1 and Year 2 children in the coming weeks on their Life cycles & Science topic: Plants, which will allow them a great opportunity to further expand on the idea of caring for nature. Watch this space for more news on what they get up to soon.....



YEAR 1 VISIT HACKNEY SCHOOL OF FOOD

Year 1 had a fantastic day out to the School of Food where chef Liam showed us how to make some delicious cheese scones and a tasty rainbow salad. We also got to spend time in the garden looking at the vegetables and flowers growing. While the scones were cooking we even spent time with the chickens. We cant wait to come back!



DONATIONS OF ITEMS NEEDED

Nursery and Reception classes are hoping to enhance their role play areas for their upcoming topics 'Growth' and 'All Around the World'. We would be really grateful for any of the following items;

Garden Centre:

- Watering cans
- Child size gardening equipment (gloves, spade, trowels, aprons)
- Plastic plant pots
- Artificial plants and flowers
- Seeds
- Astro turf
- Baskets
- Gardening books or magazines

Travel agents:

- Travel guides
- Landline phones
- Globe
- World maps

Donations can be dropped to the school office. Please can you ensure that the items are not broken or damaged before donating. Thank you!