



LEARNING EDUCATION ARTS PARTNERSHIP



LEAP NEWS

Friday 4th April 2025

SPANISH PHRASE of the week

Es un día hermoso.....I t's a beautiful day.....

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

STEPHEN MORGAN MP VISITS MANDEVILLE & SCHOOL OF FOOD

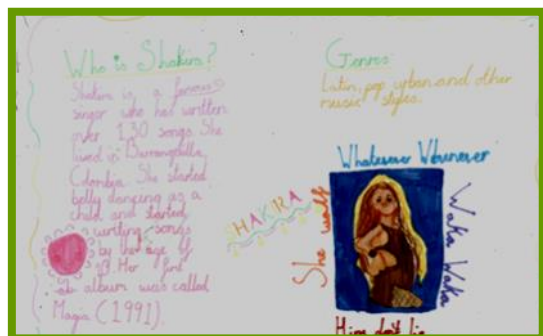
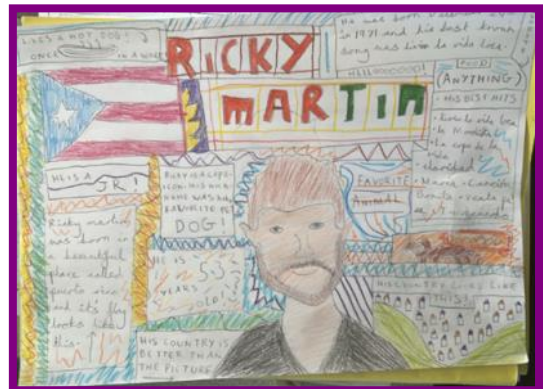
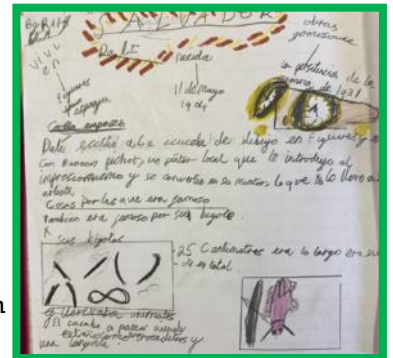
On Thursday morning, bright and early, we had a visit from the Government minister **Stephen Morgan**, who had been recommended to see how we deliver on school food across LEAP. Stephen is Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State (Minister for Early Education) and leads on Breakfast clubs and school food, including free school meals. Stephen came to hear how our school food both at breakfast and lunch works. He met with Louise, our Executive Head, Marc, head of Mandeville and Sergio, our Executive Chef, who oversees the food delivery in all four schools. He visited breakfast club, chatted with the children and sampled some breakfast before visiting Sergio and Hodan in the Mandeville school kitchen to see lunch being prepared and then went on to explore the School of Food and see a cooking lesson in progress. He was very impressed and supportive and listened carefully to our arguments to continue universal free school meals and to enable all schools to deliver high quality food education.



LEAP POSTER COMPETITION

As part of Hispanic Week, children across LEAP were tasked with making an informative poster about a musician or artist of Hispanic origin. We have been so impressed with the quality of work and research that the children have undertaken at home to complete this project. Well done to all the children who took part.

Congratulations to **Basma** (Mandeville yr 3), **Marnie** (Grasmere yr 4), **Rafe** (Gayhurst yr 5/6) & **Lily** (Kingsmead yr 6) whose posters were chosen as the winning entries for their school! Take a look at their fantastic creations.



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END OF TERM MESSAGE FROM CHAIR OF LEAP GOVERNORS

Dear Parents and Carers,

The spring term has been very busy for the LEAP Federation- not just because of the incredible range of learning opportunities organised for our pupils but also for the opportunities to meet and talk to so many parents and carers as part of the Federation consultation process. This allowed governors to hear the views of parents, staff and pupils about the current partnership with Grasmere School, and also about the proposed Federation.

The consultation period closed on the 31st March, and it will now fall to the governors to consider the outcome from the consultation and the future governance of the LEAP Federation and Grasmere School.

Next Steps

- During the Easter break, Hackney Education will collate all the responses from the four school communities in relation to the consultation and then produce a summary document of all the responses.
- This summary document will then be considered by the governing boards of both the LEAP Federation, and Grasmere School - these meetings will take place during the week commencing, Monday 4th May. Each board will consider separately to either proceed with the consultation, or end the current partnership on 31st August 2025.
- If both governing boards agree to the proposed federation, a newly formed governing board made up of governors from all four schools will be set up ready for the start of the new school year - 1st September 2025.
- If the governing boards do not agree to proceed with the federation, Grasmere School will continue as a stand alone school and the partnership with the LEAP federation will end on 31st August 2025.

I would like to thank the staff teams for their continued commitment to our school communities during the spring term by continuing to make sure each school continues to be an exciting place for all pupils to learn, grow and develop. The ongoing support from parents, carers and friends of the school is much appreciated by governors and our staff.

Best wishes for a happy, restful holiday. Let's hope for more time to enjoy the recent sunny weather!

Gill Brady

Chair of Governors, LEAP Federation

RAGGED SCHOOL MUSEUM

This Spring holiday, the Ragged School Museum in Mile End are running some free activities for families.

The session will run on

Wednesday 9th & Thursday 10th April
Wednesday 16th & Thursday 17th April
11am – 4pm

Admission for families FREE.

Activities including painting & making suitable for **ages 5-11**

Address: 46—50 Copperfield Road, London E3 4RR



FAMILY COACH SERVICE PARENT EMPOWERMENT GROUP

The Family Coach Service are running a new 4 week Parent Empowerment Group in May at Hackney Service Centre, 1 Hillman St, London E8 1DY. The 4 week course is called **Building a Toolbox for Parental Wellbeing** and starts on **Fri 2nd May from 10 - 11.30am**. If you are interested in signing up please email

familycoach@hackney.gov.uk with your child's school and confirm that you can attend all sessions.

These sessions are being offered on a first come first served basis and have a limit of 10 parents!

Sessions are free and open to all families with a child that has an SEND need - no EHCP or formal diagnosis needed. See details on poster below.



The Family Coach Service's 4 week
Friday's 10-11:30 am @ Hackney Service Centre E8 1DY
Building a toolbox for parental wellbeing
STARTING FRIDAY 2ND OF MAY

All families with a child that has a need within **any of the 4 areas of SEND** are welcome
We are a needs based service. **No EHCP or formal diagnosis** is needed.



"Coming to the group helped me realise I'm not alone in this"

There are **10 spaces available**. We ask that families are able to attend **all 5 sessions**.
To sign up send an email to familycoach@hackney.gov.uk



SUMMER TERM 2025

1st half of term: 22.04.25 - 23.05.25

Half term: 26 — 30 May 2025

2nd half of term: 03.06.25 - 18.07.25

INSET days: Mon 2 June 2025,
Mon 21 & Tues 22 July 2025

GREEN POINTS	Class	Points	TOP ATTENDANCE
Phase 1 (EYFS)	Panther	61	River 97.6% Jupiter 98%
Phase 2	Ocean	74	
Phase 3	Forest	125	



WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

Jaguar class Tulisa
Lion class Lenny
Panther class Whole Class
Ocean class Madiha
Mountain class D'zai

River class Whole Class
Forest class Jayden B & Xia
Mercury class Ariam & Marley
Mars class Ayaan & Elliott
Venus class Emir
Jupiter class Jayden D

MANDEVILLE'S INTERNATIONAL EVENING 2025

Our international Evening is a celebration of everyone & everything that makes our community great and last night's event did not disappoint. It was an incredible celebration of the wonderful people that make up our school community, their cultures and knowledge. The generosity of our families knows no bounds and all attendees were treated to a fabulous feast of international cuisine, provided by our families. Thank you so much to all who contributed. There were wonderful examples of traditional dress from a range of families – they all looked amazing. There were superb performances from our pupils: our **Year 5 & 6 steel pans group**; **year 4** who performed African drumming and dance; **Catherina**, who performed a traditional Irish dance, and the **Mandeville School Choir and Dance Squad** (UDOIT national champions). We were also lucky to have guest performers **Eroy** and **Sergin** from the **Eroy Logo Dance School**, supported by musicians **Hakan** and **Erdal** who performed traditional Turkish music and dance and got the audience up and dancing too!

We would especially like to thank **Kaltum** and **Natalie** who planned and ran the event; **Sergio, Hodan** and the **kitchen team** for organising the smooth running of the food; the members of the **Mandeville PTA** who helped with the set up; **Colin & Kayode** (premises team) for decorating the school so beautifully (and did all of the behind the scenes troubleshooting); **Fatma** for organising the Turkish performances and food; and all of our parents who contributed dishes and gave up their time – you all helped to make last night unforgettable.



Please remember to inform the main office of any changes to your contact details i.e: home number, mobile phone number, address, or if your child has a medical condition.



DRUMMING & DANCE PERFORMANCES

On Monday, Year 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 had their Drumming and Dance performance. It was a celebration of rhythm, movement and community that left everyone cheering for more.

A huge thank you to Dorinia and Victor for all the hard work this term to teach the children their routines. The children explored dynamic movements and rhythms through a mix of different Asian music genres.



The children demonstrated not only their drumming skills but also their confidence and teamwork, performing brilliantly together as a class. The event ended on a high note with the families joining in for a surprise routine. It was a lovely reminder of the power that music and dance has to bring us all together. Thank you to everyone who joined us and made the event so special.

Casey: *'It was really fun because it was exciting to work together as a team to create music but also a dance routine.'*



Emily Rose: *'Everyone's dancing was so good and it was fun when the parents joined in too!'*



Sofia: *The performances were really cool and unique this year because the music was different. It reminded me of a Bollywood film I've seen recently.*



GOODBYE REANNA & XEN

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Reanna and her son Xen as they embark upon a new adventure in their new home by the sea. Reanna's journey with Mandeville started years ago when she was a just a child and became a student at Mandeville. We were delighted when, three years ago, she re-joined the school as a member of staff, with her son Xen joining the nursery. Reanna has been an integral part of the teaching team and the school community and her contributions have been outstanding. Xen has been an absolute star throughout his time here and his friends are devastated to be losing him as a classmate. From all of the children, staff and families at Mandeville we would like to wish them both all the best in the future.

GYMNASTICS PERFORMANCES

The children in year 3 and year 4 have been doing gymnastics this term. They have been focussing on a number of skills which they have been developing and building on since year 1. They have been learning to perfect their forward rolls and to perform precise cartwheels. The children have also been mastering their handstands and springboard vaults. The last twelve weeks of hard work paid off with a wonderful performance showcasing their skills. Thanks to Autumn, our fantastic gymnastics teacher, and well done to all the children involved.

Ismael, *"I love doing gymnastics because it is fun and I like being flexible."*



Ariam, *"I enjoyed the term of gymnastics especially the acrobatics!"*



Thank you, parents and carers for coming to support the performance.



SPRING HOLIDAY CAMP AND FREE FOOD SHOP

Mandeville and Kingsmead's joint Spring Holiday Camp is running from **Mon 7th to Thurs 10th April 10-2pm** at **Kingsmead Primary School** If you have not yet completed a registration form but would like your child to attend you can complete a form at the school on the day.

Thanks to the holiday camp the Free Food shop will be running at Kingsmead school for both Mandeville and Kingsmead families on Monday 10th April. All families will receive a text on the day, to let them know what time the shop is open

KEY DATES NEXT TERM

- Mon 7- Thurs 10 April** Kingsmead & Mandeville Spring Holiday Camp 10am-2pm
- Wed 23 April** Coffee Morning: Relationships, Sex and Health Education Information Coffee Morning 9.10-10am
- Mon 28 April** After School Activity clubs start
- Wed 7 May** STEM Fair 3.30-4pm
- Saturday 17 May** Hackney Moves Challenge
- Mon 26 - Fri 30 June** Half term break