LEAP NEWS

Friday 3rd July 2026

SPANISH PHRASE of the week
Juego al fútbol con mis amigos..... *I play football with my friends…*

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

HISTORY @ LEAP

Our children have had a jam-packed summer term so far, not least in their history lessons where it has been a busy term! Year 1 at two schools have been learning about the females who have changed history in our "**Women in the Past**" module. In Year 2, local history has been the focus with our children at **Gayhurst** and **Kingsmead** learning about "**Hackney in the Past**". Year 3 and 4 have been learning about **Ancient Greece** and **Egypt** respectively, with trips undertaken or planned to visit artefacts in person. It has been an especially history-filled summer for Year 4 at **Mandeville** and **Kingsmead** who took part in the City of London's "**Roman Art Trail**" project. This included a visit to the ruins of London's Ancient Roman amphitheatre and full-day art workshops at school. Their work will be on display around the City during the summer. Year 5 at **Mandeville** visited the controversial Benin Bronzes at the British Museum to see their beautiful craftsmanship. Ask your child what they learned in history this summer term; you'll likely find out something new!



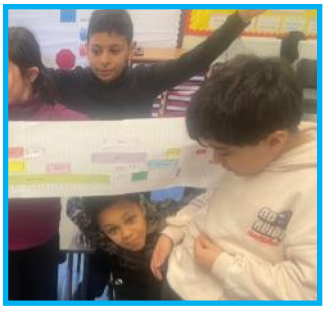
Mandeville Y5 discovering the Benin Bronzes



Kingsmead Year 4 making laurel wreaths for Roman Art Trail project



Gayhurst Y3 celebrating "Greek Day" with costumes and a Greek feast!



Grasmere Year 4 showing off their chronology skills with a timeline of overlapping historical periods

KINGSMEAD REPORTING FOR BBC NEWSROUND

Three children from Kingsmead's Year 4 recently had the incredible opportunity to work alongside the BBC's Newsround team and take part in a very special interview with Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson!

The children demonstrated outstanding confidence, curiosity and professionalism as they prepared and asked questions about the upcoming live-action **Moana** film, in which Dwayne Johnson reprises his role as the much-loved character Maui. They represented the school brilliantly, speaking clearly and engaging warmly with one of Hollywood's biggest stars.



This unforgettable experience gave our pupils a unique insight into the world of journalism and filmmaking, while helping them develop valuable communication and interviewing skills. We are immensely proud of how they conducted themselves throughout the process and grateful to Newsround for providing such a fantastic opportunity.



Well done to our reporters **Evan, Cormac** and **Ayla,** for making memories that will last a lifetime! We will share a link to the Newsround bulletin when it goes live in a few weeks.

LEAP HOLIDAY CAMPS

Booking is now open for the two LEAP Summer Holiday camps that will be running for three weeks of the Summer Holidays. The holiday camp at Kingsmead school will cater for children at Kingsmead & Mandeville and the camp at Gayhurst will cater for children at Gayhurst & Grasmere.

The camps will run from **Monday 20th July to Friday 7th August** from 10—2pm daily and are open to children from Reception to Year 6. The camps will be staffed by adults from our schools who know the children, and everyone attending will be offered a hot meal freshly prepared every day. There will be plenty of great activities for children to choose from at both camps including lots of sports and physical games, arts and crafts, gardening and Forest School fun and cooking at the School of Food, as well as some trips which are being planned. Don't forget to book your child's place.

MANDEVILLE NEWS

SUMMER TERM 2026

1st half of term: **13.04.26 - 22.05.26**

Half term: **25 - 29 May 2026**

2nd half of term: **02.06.26 - 17.07.26**

INSET days - Mon 1June & Mon 20 July

GREEN POINTS	Class	Points	TOP ATTENDANCE
Phase 1 (EYFS)	Rabbit/	62	
Phase 2	Ocean	148	River 98.2%
Phase 3	Jupiter	132	Mars 98.7%

WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

Rabbit class (2-3 Nur)	Jahmarl
Hedgehog class(3-4 Nur	Rio
Squirrel class (Rec)	Rudie
Owl class (Rec)	Jamaal
Ocean class (Yr 1)	La'kye & Elif
River class (Yr 2)	Daisy & Kalel
Jupiter class (Yr 3)	Navi & Soren
Mercury class (Yr 4)	Opemipo & Kassain
Mars class (Yr 5)	Amelia & Jahvari
Venus class (Yr 6)	Ibadah & Ayaan

READING CHAMPIONS

Our Reading Champions, **Mohammed, Labelle, James Christopher** and **Martin**, have been working incredibly hard this term and have been wonderful ambassadors for reading across our school. They proudly led a whole-school assembly where they confidently performed a selection of poems to their fellow pupils. Their enthusiasm, expression and confidence inspired every-one and celebrated the joy of reading and performing poetry.



Our Reading Champions have also played a key role in organising our fantastic book giveaway from the Children's Book Project. They helped sort and organise hundreds of donated books, ensuring every child in school had the opportunity to choose and take home two books completely free of charge. Their dedication and teamwork helped make the event a huge success, encouraging a love of reading both in school and at home.







JUNIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

A huge thank you to our Junior Leadership Team (JLT) for all their hard work this year supporting our Senior Leadership Team (SLT) at Mandeville. They have been fantastic ambassadors for our school, helping to welcome new families, leading tours and making visitors feel at ease. They have shown confidence, responsibility and pride in our school every step of the way. The JLT have also helped to monitor our learning environment, shared ideas to improve our playgrounds and looked for ways to make our school an even better place for everyone.

We are so proud of everything they have achieved this year and the positive difference they have made. We can't wait to see what else they get involved in and achieve next year!

"The children from JLT were great. They answered all our questions and gave us a very detailed tour. You should be very proud of them!"- **Prospective parent**

"I enjoy showing off my school because I believe it is the best school in Hackney."- **Ariam,** Year 5



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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.

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JUSTIN THOMPSON PROJECT (JTP) CAREERS FAIR

Friday 10th July

A huge thank you to all the families who have kindly volunteered their time to take part in our JTP Careers Fair!

If you are volunteering, please arrive at 1:45pm to set up in the KS2 playground. Each profession will have its own area, and throughout the afternoon, the children will visit each stall to learn about different jobs and careers.

We'd love for you to speak to the children about what you do and what a typical day looks like, and to answer any questions they may have. If you have any tools, equipment, uniforms or other resources you can safely bring along to help demonstrate your job, that would be fantastic!

This is a lovely opportunity to inspire our children, broaden their horizons and help raise their aspirations by introducing them to the wide range of careers available.

If you have any questions, please speak to Kaltum or email the school office.



MANDEVILLE SUMMER BBQ

Thursday 9th July from 4.30 - 7.30pm

Come and buy your tickets for our fabulous Mandeville Summer BBQ. They are on sale now at the school office, gates, or online by clicking HERE, or by scanning this QR code.

Adult £5, Child £2. More on the day! Ticket price includes food: a main, a side and a dessert. With lots of delicious food, drinks, music, performances, a bouncy castle, roller-skating, raffle, dancing, face painting and more. Don't miss this great celebration of our wonderful Mandeville community!

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KEY DATES FOR THIS TERM

Thurs 9 July	Summer BBQ 4.30—7.30pm
Friday 10 July	Nursery (Hedgehog class) Sports Day-9:30-11am +
	JTP Careers Fair 1.45—3.20pm
Mon 13 July	Drumming & dance performance Year 3, 4 & 5- 1:45 pm and Year 1 & 2- 2:45 pm
Tues 14 July	Sports Day for Rec to Y6
Weds 15 July	Reception Graduation 2:30 pm + Y6 production, 5pm
Thurs 16 July	Class parties + Y6 leavers disco (after 3.30, exact timings TBC)
Fri 17 July	Last day of Summer Term - **school closes early for children at 1.30pm**