



LEARNING EDUCATION ARTS PARTNERSHIP



# LEAP NEWS

## Friday 12th September 2025

### SPANISH PHRASE of the week

Estamos felices con nuestros amigos..... *We are happy with our friends .....*

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

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR COMPETITION WINNERS!

Congratulations to our talented pupils for their creative contributions to this year's RE Calendar Competition!

**Pandora** (Yr 3, Gayhurst)

**Mustapha** (former Yr 6, Kingsmead)

**Ayza** (former Yr 6, Kingsmead)

Their artwork has been selected as winning entries and will feature in the Hackney 2025/26 RE and Worldviews SACRE Calendar. These are distributed to every Hackney school.

The theme this year was Festivals and Celebrations, giving pupils the chance to explore and express the diversity of traditions and beliefs celebrated around the world.

Well done to our winners for their imagination and hard work – we are proud of you!



**Pandora**



**Mustapha**



**Ayza**

## LEAP SCHOOLS FREE FOOD SHOPS

Since the first Covid lockdown in Spring 2020 Kingsmead, Mandeville and Gayhurst schools have been running a weekly Free Food Shop for any of the LEAP schools families who need this support. This was initially to help families through the very difficult lockdown periods but has continued, with the cost of living crisis, which we know continues to impact many in our communities.



The Free Food shops run every week on:

**Monday late mornings at Kingsmead**

**Monday after lunch at Mandeville**

**Monday afternoons from 3 – 3.30pm at Gayhurst**

Reminder texts are sent out on the day. We ask that all attending the Free Food Shops bring their own shopping bags and are mindful that the food needs to be shared amongst many and to not take more than their share.

Now that **Grasmere** are part of the LEAP Federation, Grasmere families are able to access the free shops at any one of the other schools: at **Gayhurst E8**, **Mandeville E5** or **Kingsmead E9**. We will send the times out by text. This is because Felix project at not able to add Grasmere to their delivery list as yet, but we are working on it! Please note these food shops are open to everyone, no questions asked!

The Free Food Shops are possible thanks to our close partnership with the food redistribution charity **The Felix Project**. The Felix Project work across London fighting food waste and hunger. They rescue good, surplus food from the food industry that cannot be sold and would otherwise go to waste. They collect or receive food from over 539 suppliers, including supermarkets, wholesalers, farms, restaurants and delis. They then sort and deliver this food to almost 1000 front-line charities, primary schools and holiday programmes in London, including three of our LEAP schools.

You can find out more about the Felix Project [here](#) and if you would like to volunteer with the Felix project at one of their depots, you can find more information [here](#).



THE  
FELIX  
PROJECT

GOOD FOOD FOR GOOD CAUSES



## AUTUMN TERM 2025

1st half of term: **02.09.25 - 24.10.25**

Half term: **27 — 31 Oct 2025**

2nd half of term: **03.11.25 - 17.12.25**

**INSET days:** Mon 1 Sept 2025,  
Thurs 18 & Fri 19 Dec 2025

GREEN POINTS	Class	Points	TOP ATTENDANCE
Phase 1 (EYFS)	Squirrel	82	Ocean 98.7% Venus 97.9%
Phase 2	River	316	
Phase 3	Mercury	209	



## WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

**Rabbit class** (2-3 Nur) Kubra  
**Hedgehog class** (3-4 Nur) Johnny  
**Squirrel class** (Rec) Dilara  
**Owl class** (Rec) Jamie  
**Ocean class** (Yr 1) Tyler B & Elif

**River class** (Yr 2) Safwan & Sully  
**Jupiter class** (Yr 3) Starr & Azra  
**Mercury class** (Yr 4) Kamari & Isabel  
**Mars class** (Yr 5) Mohammed & Ameerah  
**Venus class** (Yr 6) Graciella & Humaira

## RECEPTION NEWS

This year's Reception Class have all joined the Mandeville family, bringing new energy and fresh ideas. The children have settled into their new environment well and are getting to know each other and the adults. They have already experienced Forest School music, gymnastics, PE, great food and so much more. The Nursery & Reception team are looking forward to a great year!



## YEAR 2 FOREST SCHOOL

In Forest School this week, Year 2 went on a listening walk around their local area. They walked slowly and softly with their ears ready. They stopped regularly to listen carefully to their surroundings and share what sounds they could identify. Some of the sounds were natural, like the wind and the rain; other sounds were caused by humans, like the cars and the aeroplanes and voices.

*'I can hear the wind rustling the leaves in the trees' -*

**Halima**

*'I can hear the rain falling on my jacket' -* **Jonathan**

*'I could hear peoples footsteps around me' -* **Paddy**

*'I can an aeroplane' -* **Mascon.**



## KEY DATES THIS TERM

- Mon 15th Sept** Activity Clubs begin +  
9-10am Coffee Morning with **MDV HH**  
4-5.30pm Coffee Afternoon drop in with **MDV HH**
- Thurs 25th Sept** **MDV HH** Open meeting 3.45 - 5pm
- Mon 6th Oct** School photographer in for individual & sibling photos
- Thurs 2nd Oct** **Yr 6** assembly 3pm
- Tues 7th Oct** Coffee Morning: Phonics & Early Reading (Nurs, Rec, Yr 1 & Yr 2 parents)
- Thurs 23rd Oct** **Yr 5** assembly 3pm
- Mon 27 -Fri 31 Oct** Half term break
- Thurs 20th Nov** **Yr 4** assembly 3pm
- Wed 17 Dec** Last day of Autumn term -  
**school closes early at 1.30pm for children**

## PHOTOGRAPHER IN TAKING PHOTOS AROUND THE SCHOOL

Weather permitting, a photographer will be in school on **Tuesday 16th September** to update photos for our website. If your child is currently on the no photo permission list but you would like to change this so they can be included, please speak to Kaltum or the office before the day.