



# LEAP NEWS

**Friday 6th November 2020**

**SPANISH PHRASE** of the week:

**Me gusta aprender .... I like learning ...**

**Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership**

## WELCOME BACK

We hope all our families had a restful half term break. It was great to see the children back in all our schools on Tuesday, rested and ready to learn.

Following the Government's decision to put in place the Autumn Measures and Restrictions across the country, as you are aware, schools will remain open. We are updating our Risk Assessments and continue to prioritise the safety of all our children and our staff. Please note that as we know that good ventilation helps to limit the spread of Covid, we are keeping windows open in all our classrooms. We have heating in all rooms but as the outside temperature drops **you may want to make sure your child comes dressed in extra layers of clothing** to ensure they keep warm. We are also increasing the amount of physical activity for all children, this will be in addition to the usual 2 hours a week of PE and will not require PE kit.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO EX GAYHURST PUPIL TAO



We were thrilled to learn of ex Gayhurst pupil, Tao Geoghegan Hart's, spectacular win of the Giro d'Italia at the end of October. The Giro d'Italia is an annual multiple-stage bicycle race

primarily held in Italy, and along with the Tour de France, is one of the most prestigious cycling races in the world! Tao has been passionate about cycle racing since he was very young, and used to cycle in the Gayhurst school cycling team!

## DATE FOR THE DIARY: PARENT/CARER CONSULTATIONS ON FRIDAY 11th DECEMBER

Please note that on **Friday 11th December** all 3 of our **schools will close early at 1:30pm** for children so that this term's Parent/Carer Consultations can take place.

More information on how these meetings will be held will be provided in next week's newsletter

## STAFF PUMPKIN CARVING COMPETITION

Staff from across our federation came together for the first LEAP pumpkin carving competition. We had a huge number of entries and each one helped light up the Autumnal Trail at the Hackney School of Food, that was held just before the half term break. We asked the public to decide on their favourite pumpkins and the response was overwhelming. After a tight race, three pumpkins emerged victorious. These were the winners from each school:

**Lauren H**



**Shenaz**



**Jodie**



**Gayhurst**

**Kingsmead**

**Mandeville**

Well done to all of our talented staff and thank you to everyone who voted!

## myON DIGITAL LIBRARY



We are absolutely delighted to announce that we have invested in myON. MyON is a digital library that works in connection with Renaissance Accelerated Reader. It can be accessed from any computer or tablet. With over 1000 books to choose from, myON uses clever

technology to track what children are reading, what their likes and dislikes are, what level they are reading at and is able to recommend books specifically for each individual child. There are also tools which enable the child to be read to, a dictionary function for children to clarify those tricky words and an opportunity for children to write their own reviews for others. Your child's class teacher will have handed out the usernames and passwords this week and taught a short lesson, showing the children how to use the platform. You can download the app at App Store for apple devices or at Amazon for android or access it directly through your web browser at <https://www.myon.co.uk/> If you have any further questions, please contact your child's class teacher.

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1st half of term

02/09/20 — 23/10/20

Half term: 26 - 30 Oct 2020

2nd half of term

03/11/20 — 18/12/20

INSET DAYS: 01/09/20 & 02/11/20

### GREEN POINTS

	Class	Points
EYFS	NS	132
Key Stage 1	1S	218
Lower KS2	4D	172
Upper KS2	6M	120

## WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

Nur- Jodie: Aisha  
 Rec - Selin Aadam & Arianna  
 Yr 1 - Szabina Mouhamadou & Amadou  
 Yr 2 - Kaltum Mustafa & Catherina  
 Yr 3 - Danielle Taylen & Harley

Yr 4 - Katherine Sapphire & Julia  
 Yr 4 - Danny Svetlin & Frankie  
 Yr 5 - Bianca Victor & Hikmat  
 Yr 6 - Ellie Adiza & Bless-Lo  
 Yr 6 - Maddie Layelle & Samuel

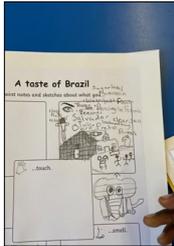
## CLASS 6M NEWS

In 6M we hit the ground running on our first day back, our geography topic for this half term is 'The Amazing Americas'. We began the lesson by identifying everything we knew about The Americas, which is quite a lot. 6M were able to identify that 'The Americas' consist of two continents, North America and South America. We also knew that Canada and the USA are in North America and that Brazil and Argentina are in South America. Abraham explained "this week is an important week in America because they are voting for the new president, it's a choice between Biden and Trump - we read a report about their first debate in Destination Reader before half term." We then used Atlases to identify some more countries in North and South America.

"I have just found the border between America and Mexico - this must be where Donald Trump wants to build the wall!" Layelle.

After working out which countries were in the Americas we zoomed in on Brazil in South America to experience a 'Taste of Brazil'. First we listened to Brazilian music and watched Samba dancing at carnival. We wrote down and sketched all the things that we noticed using our 5 senses.

Finally to top off a fantastic afternoon we had a special visit from Chef Tom (from the School of Food).



### CLASS 6M NEWS CONTINUED.....

We tried an amazing menu of **Feijoada** - a beef and black bean stew, **cassava chips**, **collard greens** and **pão de queijo** - cheesy bread. Then we tasted some grilled pineapple with lime & mint which is traditionally served as street food.

Ti'leayh "I loved learning about different food and cultures, particularly finding out about Brazil. The food that we tried was delectable."

Micah "I've seen carnival before but it wasn't as good as that, those floats were as big as a house!"

Ajay "I've never tried cassava fries before, they were like normal fries but much more crunchy."

We are going to use the things we have learnt about today to create some persuasive writing about Brazil, hopefully we can persuade you all to make a visit because we absolutely love it. 6M would like to say a great big thank you to Chef Tom for all the hard work he put in to making our lesson so fun and delicious!



## MAINTAINING SOCIAL DISTANCE

Thank you to all our families who are managing to try and keep socially distanced when dropping off and picking up their children at the various school gates. In light of new COVID limitation measures put in place by the Government on Thursday this week, it is especially important that we all try and maintain the 2 meters apart guidance to protect ourselves and each other.



## CHILDREN IN NEED

This year, more than ever, we have had to come together to help and support each other. **Next Friday 13th November** we will be raising money for Children in Need. We know how to have fun at Mandeville and we are asking children and staff to come to school in their pyjamas for the day! A voluntary donation of £1 would be much appreciated to help support this charity. See you in your pyjamas next Friday!

