



LEARNING EDUCATION ARTS PARTNERSHIP



# LEAP NEWS

## Friday 30th April 2021

### SPANISH PHRASE of the week

**Tengas un buen fin de semana....** Have a good weekend ....

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

## HACKNEY SCHOOL OF FOOD MAKES FRONT COVER!

We were delighted to see that Hackney School of Food made the front page of April's Hackney Life newspaper, with a full page article about what the school of food offers and more lovely photos inside. This will be a great way for Hackney residents to find out about the School of Food school and what it offers. You can read an electronic version of the paper [here](#) (article on page 21)



## LEAP'S EARLY YEARS NEWS

Nursery and Reception classes across the LEAP Federation have been enjoying some wonderful outside learning opportunities.

**KINGSMEAD** Purple class (Reception) have been playing in and exploring their outside environment, including painting, drawing and even cooking outside! They have also carried out 'Transport' walks in the local area, looking at boats on the canals and diggers in the park and have loved exploring the gardens at the School of Food and meeting their chickens – a lovely link to this term's 'Animals' topic *"I learn inside and I learn outside, all very important!"* – **Zoya**. *"I like to be outside so I can run and use my energy!"* – **Issak**. *"I like exploring and going outside on adventures, like in 'We're going on a bear hunt!'* - **Alia**



Green class (Nursery) love playing and learning in their playground. They have fun building with their friends and cooking things for Ben and Susan (Nursery staff). They try and write their names, letters and patterns on the floor and have fun finding different ways to come down the slide. They can't wait for our sunflowers to start growing and to be able to eat the apples, pears and grapes that grow in the Nursery playground. **Evan**: *"I love standing on the slide and going through the caterpillar and playing with the Lego and playing in the home corner. I make tea and food like hamburgers and patties."*



### LEAP EARLY YEARS CONTINUED....

**GAYHURST** Reception classes have been busy exploring the local wildlife, with their topic this half term being 'Explorers'. They have been learning about what explorers do. They took magnifying glasses out with them to see what they could find, looking at shadows on the ground and at the rainbow patterns made by the magnifying glass. The children looked closely at plants growing. *'They are strawberries'* said **Miray**.



Nursery children loved exploring the woodland area in London Fields. They searched for insects and found some ladybirds and worms. *"Look, the bird is just eating a worm"* noticed **Alayna Nesrin** was brilliant at marking all the creepy crawlies she found on her list. **Elias** and **Ibrahim** were the spider experts and found some empty spider webs, *"I think they are under the log,"* said **Ibrahim**.



**MANDEVILLE** As we enter the summer term, Mandeville's Early Years classes have been taking full advantage of our magnificent outdoor space. From Nursery exploring their newly renovated playground, to Reception enjoying the beautiful vibrant gardens at the School of Food. We have also been welcoming our new 2 year olds, who have immersed themselves in our incredible outdoor learning environment. We can wait to see curious minds grow!



**Sofiat, Nur** *"The new playground is amazing!"*  
**Jayden, Rec** *"You have to look at the plants with your magnifying glass to see better."*

## NEXT WEEK'S FOOD SHOP

The free food shop will not be running on Tuesday next week (not Monday due to Bank Holiday). Please see times for each school below:

**Kingsmead: Tuesday 4th May 9.30 - 10.30am** Please come to main reception entrance as the Shop will be held in the Dining Hall on Tuesday (then back to usual location of hall via Daubeney Fields)

**Gayhurst Tuesday 4th May 4- 5pm**

**Mandeville Tuesday 4th May 2- 4pm**

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## SUMMER TERM 2021

**1st half of term**

19/04/21 — 128/05/21

**Half term:** 31 May - 4 June 2021

**2nd half of term**

07/06/21 — 16/07/21

**INSET DAYS:** 11 June + 19, 20, 21 July

GREEN POINTS	Class	Points
EYFS	RS	96
Key Stage 1	1S	238
Lower KS2	3M	198
Upper KS2	6C	321



## WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

**Nur- Danielle:** Starr  
**Rec - Selin** Melike & Taiga  
**Yr 1 - Szabina** Nicholas & Amadou  
**Yr 2 - Kaltum** Tidiane & Sofia  
**Yr 3 - Maddie** Zehon & Isla

**Yr 4 - Katherine** Takyree & Jemimah  
**Yr 4 - Danny** Julia & Saleemah  
**Yr 5 - Bianca** Frankie & Tahla  
**Yr 6 - Ellie** Rayan & Darren  
**Yr 6 - Chloe** Emmanuel & Ti'Leayh

## MANDEVILLE IS GROWING!

'The sun is shining, the weather is sweet,' or becoming sweeter at least! We are well and truly into the summer term and as nature intended, spring brought with it an exciting period of growth for Mandeville.

As part of our expansion we have opened a new Nursery class offering free 15-hour places for two-year-olds. Our first two year olds joined us last week and despite being the smallest people in the school, have already had a big impact.



We have limited places still available for two-year-olds so please spread the word in the Hackney community and let them know we are growing.

**Danielle Hughes**, our Early Years & Foundation Stage and a Specialist Early Years Leader in Education, has gone into our Nursery to lead the new developments over the summer term.

Inevitably growth means change and this has meant a change in teacher for year 3. We know that the children will miss having Danielle as their teacher but she is still in school and will keep in touch with the class throughout the summer term.

**Maddie Gough**, one of our very experienced year 6 teachers has become the year 3 teacher for the summer term. **Chloe Tate** who is already part of the year 6 teaching team remains in year 6 to lead 6C. This change of class teachers has gone very smoothly and both Maddie and Danielle remain in close contact with their former classes.

Our growth doesn't stop there.....Our Nursery playground has been redone with new turf and surfacing and lots of new equipment for play.



## MANDEVILLE IS GROWING CONTINUED..

We are also now a Forest School! Our forest school ethos allows children to develop themselves through healthy engagement with risk, problem-solving and self-discovery, all within a natural environment in a hands-on and thoughtful manner. As part of this growth, we are redeveloping the gardens at the front of the school on Oswald Street adjacent to Nursery. We have removed the shelter, which had reached the end of its life span, to make way for landscaped garden space that will serve both nursery pupils and the rest of the school. This will add to our multi-award-winning food education hub and gardens (The Hackney School of Food) that provides children with daily access to nature, and rich and varied foods, which they grow, harvest, prepare and cook from scratch, and increases the variety of unique outdoor learning experiences and play opportunities.

The work is currently in progress so do pop round to Oswald street to see the growth in action.

To follow our growth online, use hashtag **#MandevilleIsGrowing** and spread the word.

**Marc Thompson** - Associate Headteacher

## PARENT CONSULTATIONS

**Update:** We want to make everyone aware that the parents consultation meetings on Thursday 13th May are an optional extra as we will be sending out detailed written reports to you this term on your child's progress. If you would like to talk to your child's teacher please do make an appointment or if you are happy waiting for the written report that is also fine!

As the date may clash with Eid al-Fitr and the end of Ramadan, teachers are expecting that Muslim parents may want to rearrange their appointment times to suit their family arrangements or to another time if they wish. If your child's teacher is celebrating Eid that day your existing appointments may need to be moved also. School will still be closing early on Thursday 13th May.

**Eid Mubarak to all our families for next week**

## KEY DATES FOR THIS TERM

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> May** **Bank Holiday:** School closed  
**Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> May** **Parent Consultations** Early finish please collect your children from their usual places at the following times:  
 Year 5 & Year 6: 1.10pm,  
 Year 4, Year 3 & Year 2: 1.20pm  
 Nursery, Reception & Year 1: 1.30pm  
**Fri 11<sup>th</sup> June** **INSET DAY:** School closed for children