



LEAP NEWS

Friday 26th November 2021

SPANISH PHRASE of the week

Navidad es en diciembre.... Christmas is in December....

Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership

PARENTING SMART WEBSITE



The children's mental health charity, Place2Be, have launched a new website – **Parenting Smart** – a free online resource featuring practical advice and tried-and-tested tips for parents and carers of primary age children. All of the advice and suggestions on the website has the backing of Place2Be's clinical experts. Click on the link below which will take you to the parenting advice page

<https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>

Parenting Smart is full of practical tips to support children's well being and manage behaviour. The website has a mix of short clear bullet points with advice and strategies, as well as short videos, on 43 different topics covering issues & subjects that will be relevant to all families, including:

- Understanding Sibling Rivalry
- Routines and Rituals
- My child is anxious
- Managing separations and goodbyes
- Using praise & rewards
- Understanding shyness
- Cultural Identity
- My child and I keep getting into arguments
- Helping your child when they start or change school

Parenting Smart is:

- Created by Place2Be's parenting experts
- Based on evidence and our experience of working with children and families
- Designed with busy parents in mind, with short videos and articles
- Topics from meltdowns to friendship difficulties, from anxiety to the transition to secondary school

We think that lots of parents and carers might find the tips and suggestions given on the wide range of topics really helpful.



HACKNEY SEASONS GREETINGS CARDS

This year Hackney Education have asked Hackney children to design their official season's greeting card. We had some wonderful entries. We think they are all winners. Our winners each received an advent calendar to thank them for helping us get into the holiday mood. Well done to **Rozerin Ozdemir, Isla Mcgruer** and **Beatrice Lindgren De Carvalho**. We are now waiting to hear from Hackney Education to find out if any of our LEAP children will be the official season's greeting card this year. We will keep you posted!



Rozerin (Yr 4)



Beatrice (Yr 3)



Isla (Yr 4)

CHILDREN IN NEED

All those pyjamas and dressing gowns last Friday resulted in our three LEAP schools managing to raise a total of **£561.66** for Children in Need! Well done and thank you to all who made a donation.



AUTUMN TERM 2021

1st half of term
02/09/21 — 22/10/21
Half term: 25 - 29 October 2021

2nd half of term
01/11/21 — 17/12/21
INSET DAY: 1 Sept

GREEN POINTS

| | Class | Points |
|----------------|---------|--------|
| Phase 1 (EYFS) | Panther | 60 |
| Phase 2 | Ocean | 153 |
| Phase 3 | Venus | 305 |



WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

Jaguar class Cass & Obed
Lion class Nya & Christy
Panther class Abigail & Mischa
Ocean class Jaspreet & Ameerah
River class Ibrahim & Elliot

Forest class Bilal & Gifty
Mercury class Monet & Harley
Mars class Arda & Louise
Venus class Lenys & Festina
Jupiter class Sumaiyah & Kurtis

YEAR 3 TRIP

Year 3 have been learning about the Stone Age in their history lessons. To consolidate their learning, they had the fantastic opportunity to visit Epping Forest and experience a day in a life of a Stone Age child. Children immersed themselves into outdoor life and had to go hunting for animals by following their footprints and other clues that they had on their worksheets. When they were deep inside the forest, they created their own shelter by using lots of wooden sticks, branches and leaves, ensuring that they made it big enough for their group and it was waterproof. One of the most exciting activities was making fire by rubbing metal sticks together and using cotton wool. At the end of the trip, the children didn't want to leave, even though it was freezing!

"I lit the fire about five different times and I then went around helping other children." - Emir

"Imagine how hard it must have been for the Stone Age people to actually find food as they didn't have any shops." - Olive

"I really enjoyed lighting the fire because we could keep warm." - Esther

"We touched squirrel skin! Lucky, we didn't eat the squirrel!" - Leigha

"I found lots of rabbit poo everywhere!" - Kelsey



APOLLO MUSIC PROJECT

This week Years 3 and 4 had another visit from the Apollo Music Project. Our guests were members of the orchestra's wonderful brass section, who taught the children all about the different instruments in the brass family. They explained how the sound is produced through vibration, even using a cow's horn and a garden hose as musical instruments! We listened to the different sounds made by trumpets, French horns, trombones, and a great big tuba. There was music we all know and love, including pieces from Harry Potter, Star Wars and Super Mario. Everyone had a great time!

"I can't believe they can make that sound!" - Emir.

"I loved the brass band, because I could feel the soul in their music!" - Jerome.

I liked how they all worked together as a team to make something beautiful. - Rozerin

"They played the Mario theme and it was great!" - Joseph



PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Our Autumn Term Parent Consultation for Parents and Carers takes place on **Wednesday 8th December 2021**. Appointments can be booked to meet your child's class teacher either in person or via video call or phone call, from 1.50pm until 6.20pm. **Please note that school will close for all children at 1.30pm on this day.**

To book an appointment please visit: <https://mandevillehackney.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

KEY DATES THIS TERM

Wed 1st Dec Forest class assembly
Wed 8th Dec Venus class assembly + Parent Consultations **children finish early at 1.30pm**
Fri 10th Dec Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 17th Dec Last day of term - **children finish early at 1.30pm**

