

Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership

'THE BOLDS' AT THE UNICORN THEATRE

This week, a number of Key Stage 2 children from across LEAP ventured down to London Bridge to watch the critically acclaimed performance of 'The Bolds'.

Based on the much-loved children's books by Julian Clary, this hilarious, joyful show about a family of hyenas living in Teddington gave us all the laughs we needed at the end of a long term. We're delighted to announce that a specially filmed digital version [The Bolds](#) will be free to watch online this holiday on the Unicorn Theatre's [YouTube channel](#) from 20th - 24th December.

"I loved when the lion ran after the Bolds and when they sang the HYENA song!" -

Christodea 3/4M

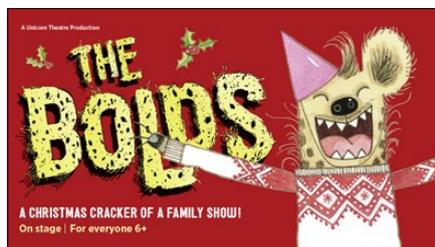
"My favourite bit of the show was when they made so many jokes which gave me a good old laugh!" -

Claude 3/4M

"I loved the ending when they found out that the horrid neighbour was actually a bear and not even a human himself!" -

Annabelle O 3/4M
I thought it was very fun and silly! I loved the experience of going to the theatre -

Anzel Year 4
"My favourite part was at the end when Mr McNumpy and the Bolds had a Christmas Party and Mr Bold kept telling cheesy cracker jokes." -



THE BOLDS CONTINUED....

The children certainly had a good time. Here they are full of energy on the way in& exhausted on the way home!



A MESSAGE FROM THE LEAP CHAIR OF GOVERNORS

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the new Chair of Governors for the LEAP Federation, I want to thank you all for your ongoing support, engagement and understanding this term. I know from discussions with teachers, support staff and leaders this support is very much appreciated. With rising cases of COVID within the school population, parents and carers were not able to come into our schools to enjoy end of term performances and concerts. I am sure you are looking forward to seeing the videos of these special events. Hopefully, next year parents will be able to enjoy these important events in person.

I want to thank all staff in our three schools for their determined hard work and resilience since the start of the school year to make sure all pupils enjoy an exciting school curriculum. The weekly LEAP newsletter provides a wonderful overview of the range of learning opportunities organised for pupils and I am sure you appreciate hearing all about school events and enrichment opportunities.

I would also like to say how proud I am of all the pupils in our schools. I know from your teachers, and the work shared online, how much you enjoy your time in school and the commitment you give to your school work. Have a lovely holiday and enjoy time with your families. I wish everyone a peaceful and happy festive break and a happy new year. Stay safe and well.

My very best wishes,

Gill Brady

Chair of LEAP Governing Body



SPRING TERM 2022

1st half of term
06/01/22 — 11/02/22
Half term: 14 – 18 February 2022

2nd half of term
21/02/22 — 01/04/22

INSET DAY: Wed 5th Jan 2022

GREEN POINTS

	Class	Points
Phase 1 (EYFS)	Panther	106
Phase 2	Ocean	158
Phase 3	Venus	257



WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

Jaguar class Dejhari & De'Kiyah
Lion class Amelia & Jonathan
Panther class Aisha & Archie
Ocean class Farrah & Berat
River class Christopher & Olamikun

Forest class Irmak & Solomon
Mercury class Aila & Olamiji
Mars class Lily-Ann & Dareen
Venus class Ebubechi & Macey
Jupiter class Ana & Opeoluwa



NATIVITY

To get into the holiday spirit, Years 1 and 2 rehearsed and performed their own version of The Christmas story. They worked hard learning songs, dances and perfecting their theatrical

voices for one of Mandeville's biggest shows of the year. On Thursday they performed to a few classes and adults. They impressed everyone with their skills and talents as actors. Well done and thank you Year 1 and Year 2 for a fantastic performance! Look out for photos of Mandeville's Nativity performance in the Hackney Gazette this week.

Jesse (one of the Narrators): *'I enjoyed doing the Nativity, my favourite song was 'Welcome'.*

Christopher: *'We all trained really hard to become great at this and make the audience proud. I felt like a superstar! I was proud of myself and of my friends because we all did very well. Doing the songs and the actions were really fun.'*

Armani: *'It felt amazing being the star!'*

Farrah: *'My favourite song was 'An Angel appeared in the sky, I liked taking the other angels around.'*

Jahvari: *'I felt happy and joyful being the narrator!'*

Taiga: *'I like knocking in the 'Knock, Knock, Knock' song'*



END OF TERM PERFORMANCES

We also had wonderful Drumming & Dance performances at the end of this term. Both the Drumming & Dance and Nativity performances were filmed and password protected links will be sent out to parents/carers of the classes who performed so they can enjoy watching them.

THE PTA RAFFLE

Our Christmas Miracle!

Our wonderful PTA, **Jody, Kayleigh** and **Stephanie** have raised an astounding **£543** for the school! A huge thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets.

100% of the money will go straight back into the school and help to buy new resources and help fund educational experiences for the children. We are overwhelmed by the generosity and kindness of our PTA, who provided all of the prizes including Apple AirPods, an Amazon Echo and



PTA RAFFLE CONTINUED.....

lots of toys and children's presents and we would like to say a massive thank you from everyone at Mandeville. We are very lucky to have you!

NETBALL FINALS

Mandeville reached the grand final of the Hackney netball championships last week! We finished runners-up after beating St John St James and our fellow LEAP Federation friends Gayhurst to reach the last game where we drew with St Matthias. This meant a nail biting penalty shootout which we narrowly lost. Over two exciting sessions, the Mandeville netball team have proven themselves to be among the very best in Hackney. A huge congratulations to all involved, we are very proud of you! A special thank you to **Ms Bouchereau** for your coaching support on the day!



GOOD LUCK NATALIE!

As many of you already know, Natalie, our Lead Mentor and Deputy Inclusion manager is due to give birth very soon! It is an exciting time for Nat and her family and we would like to wish her all the best. We look forward to welcoming 'little Nat' in to the Mandeville community very soon!



HEADTEACHERS MESSAGE

Dear Families,

As 2021 draws to a close, we would like to thank you and your amazing, resilient, inspiring children for your hard work, positivity and support this term. We have had many visits this term from new families and professionals and every single one of them has been impressed with the behaviour, focus, work ethic and energy of your children. We are all so proud of our children and know that they will continue to work hard and progress in 2022.

We'd like to wish you all a very happy holiday and a peaceful New Year. We look forward to seeing you all again on **Thursday 6th January 2022**.

Very best wishes

Marc Thompson & Louise Nichols
Associate & Executive Headteachers

KEY DATES FOR NEXT TERM

Wed 5th Jan 2022 INSET DAY **school closed to children**
Thurs 6th Jan Children return to school