

LEAP NEWS

Friday 29th September 2023

SPANISH PHRASE of the week
No me gusta el viento.... *I don't like the wind...*

Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership

CONGRATULATIONS FROM DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

We are very pleased and proud to share with you that all three schools in LEAP federation have achieved excellent results in national tests at the end of Year 6. The Director of Education recently wrote to each of our headteachers congratulating them on achieving well above the National and Hackney averages, saying the following:

Letter from Hackney's Director of Education

I am writing to congratulate you on the very strong outcomes achieved by your Key Stage 2 pupils in the recent 2023 National Curriculum Assessments. These reflect the commitment from you and your staff to ensuring the best possible quality of education for pupils so that they possess the skills and confidence to succeed. It is notable that your outcomes were very significantly above national attainment. This also indicates your commitment to excellence, but also the care and support you provide for your pupils, even during these challenging times.

The outcomes demonstrate that all pupils can achieve when given really strong teaching, care and support. They serve as something to be celebrated with your school community.

On behalf of Hackney Education thank you for your continuing leadership, your aspiration for our pupils and dedication to their quality of education. I wish you, your staff team, your governors and all your children every success for the coming year. Please pass on my thanks and appreciation to your staff.

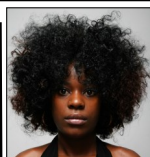
You can find a PDF copy of the letters on each school's website on the links below:

Kingsmead's letter - click [here](#)

Gayhurst's letter - click [here](#)

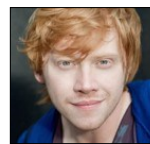
Mandeville's letter - click [here](#)

These results are a culmination of the work of all the school staff and the children throughout their time at our schools. Although excellent academic attainment is not the only measure of success in a school, we are very proud of last year's Year 6 children in all of our school and what they achieved in their statutory tests and are confident they have gone up to secondary school with all the necessary knowledge, understanding and skills they need to succeed.



WORLD HAIR DAY

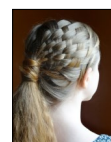
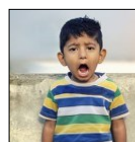
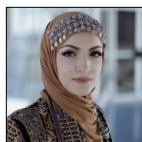
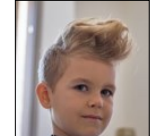
On Monday 2nd October, we are inviting, staff, children and families to come into school with



their hair done in a special way to celebrate all different types of hair.

If you have afro hair wear it big, if you have short hair wear it spiky, if you have red hair tie it up or down, if you have long hair plait it or do anything you choose. It is your day to get creative with your hairstyling.

We all have different hair, and we want to celebrate difference and beauty and self confidence all in one special event. There is no need to spend any money or go to the hairdresser! Let your hair down!



FREE SCHOOL JUMPER OFFER FOR ALL WHO NEWLY REGISTER FOR FSM

In the first newsletter of this term we featured a piece on the new Universal Free School Meal offer that London Primary School families are receiving this year.

However it is still **REALLY IMPORTANT** to register for **Free School Meals** if you are on **Universal credit** - as your child could get other benefits such as free after school clubs, subsidised trips and free music lessons.

The amount of funding the school receives from the Government is also affected by the number of children who are registered for Free School Meals.

For these reasons all three of our schools are offering every new family who successfully registers for FSM a free school sweatshirt which they can claim by contacting their school office.

You can register for Free School Meals [here](#).

If you are unclear about anything please contact your school's office who will be happy to help you.



AUTUMN TERM 2023

1st half of term: 04.09.23 - 20.10.23
 Half term: 23 - 27 Oct 2023
 2nd half of term: 30.10.23 - 19.12.23
 INSET days: Fri 1 Sept 23
 Wed 20 Dec 23

GREEN POINTS	Class	Points	TOP ATTENDANCE
Phase 1 (EYFS)	Panther	144	River 95.1% Venus 96.1%
Phase 2	River	423	
Phase 3	Panther	144	



WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

Last week's

Jaguar class Jake
Lion class Ethan
Panther class Paddy & Quban
Ocean class Whole class

River class Maelle-Joy & Kaitlyn
Forest class James & Merita
Mercury class Amadou & Jaedon
Mars class Olive & Yasmin
Venus class Levi & Neriah

LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

This week, we have been taking our learning across London. From museums, to Shakespeare performances to adventures in Epping Forest. We really have been very busy this week!

Year 1 enjoyed looking at the old and modern toys and exploring all of the fun and strange exhibits in the **Young V&A museum**.



Year 2 visited the **Tower of London**, where they time travelled back to 1666 and met Jane, Samuel Pepys' maid.

"I liked the time travelling. I met Mr Pepys' maid and she told use we were going to time travel back to 1666." – **Abigail** (y2)

Year 3 trekked to **Epping Forest**, where they learnt how people in the Stone Age lived. They made fires using flint and built their own shelters.



"My favourite part was making the fire." – **Merita** (y3).

LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM CONTINUED...

Year 4 went to Bethnal Green to take part in an interactive performance of **Shakespeare's Macbeth**.

"I loved getting to play Macduff's son in the play!" – **Amadou** (y4)

"I really liked the music and the dramatic actors. It was so much fun!" – **Alvin** (y5)



Year 5 visited the **British Museum** to investigate close up some of the artefacts that they have been studying in class. They were lucky enough to see some of the excavations from Sutton Hoo as well as old coins from

the Anglo-Saxon period.

Year 6 took part in a Windrush workshop at **Hackney Museum**.

"We got to learn about Eddy Norman who made a diary about his journey on the Windrush." – **David** (y6)



Wow! What an adventure we've had. Where will our learning take us next?

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YEAR 6 CLASS ASSEMBLY

Year six have been completely immersed in their learning since the start of term and this was demonstrated in their class performance this week. The content was fascinating, and they have clearly enjoyed their Windrush history topic. As the first assembly of the year, we are very proud of the effort and dedication shown by Venus Class! Well done everyone!



OUR NEW JUNIOR ROAD SAFETY OFFICERS

Congratulations to Mandeville's newly appointed Junior Road Safety Officers! **Mustafa. P, Gifty, Amirah & Malakai.** Well done!



WELLBEING COFFEE MORNING



Come and join us on **Monday 2nd October** from 09:10 - 10:00 am for our Wellbeing coffee morning. We will be

talking about how we approach well-being and mental health at Mandeville and introducing you to our school counsellor, Jon. We hope to see you lots of you there.

NURSERY & RECEPTION CLASS TOURS

On **Wednesday 18th October** and **Wednesday 15th November** we will be hosting our annual Teddy Bear's Picnic for families interested in applying for a place for Mandeville's Nursery or Reception class.



Wednesday 18th October 2023

Do you have children under 5? Are you looking for a Nursery or Reception place for September 2024?

If so, you are invited to Mandeville Primary School's

Teddy Bear's Picnic

which will be held at The Hackney School of Food, a fantastic resource on the site of our school



9.30am on Wednesday 18th October 2023

Come and join us for a morning of fun and games. Bring a Teddy with you if you'd like to!

The morning will include:

- A tour of Mandeville's Reception and Nursery classes
- The chance to meet Reception & Nursery class teachers
- A chat with Mandeville's Headteacher Marc Thompson
- A tour of The Hackney School of Food & its gardens
- Picnic Food prepared by the School of Food's chefs

Please email mdvoffice@mandeville.hackney.sch.uk to book your place. We look forward to seeing you on the day!

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You can find out more about The Hackney School of Food at www.hackneyschooloffood.com



KEY DATES THIS TERM

Mon 2 Oct	World Hair Day + Coffee Morning - Wellbeing. Open to all parents and carers
Mon 9 Oct	School photographer taking individual & sibling photos
Tues 10 Oct	Coffee Morning—Phonics & Early Reading (Nurs, Rec, Yr 1 & Yr 2 parents) 9.10 - 10am
Wed 11 Oct	Yr 6 parent secondary transfer support session 4pm
Mon 16 Oct	Coffee Morning Empowerment Curriculum 9.10—10am
Wed 18 Oct	Teddy Bear's Picnic tour of Nursery & Reception classes 9.30am
Thurs 19 Oct	Mars class (5D) assembly 3.10pm
Wed 15 Nov	Teddy Bear's Picnic tour of Nursery & Reception classes 9.30am
Mon 23 - Fri 27 Oct	Half term break
Tues 19 Dec	Last day of Autumn Term - early close for children at 1.30pm