

LEAP NEWS

Monday 16th October 2023

SPANISH PHRASE of the week
Llueve mucho en otoño.... *It rains a lot in Autumn...*

Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership

HACKNEY SCHOOL OF FOOD NEWS

Lots has been happening over the last few weeks at the School of Food....

New chicks and a naming competition!

Exciting news...as Cinnamon (one of HSoF's chickens) successfully hatched 4 chicks last week, our first in house breeding success at the School of Food! Visitors this week have been treated to sighting of our 4 little fluff balls who are learning new things every day.



The new chicks need names, so we are holding a name competition.

As with our other chickens' names we have **Cinnamon, Pepper** and **Berry** already, we would like to keep the **food name theme**. Each school will name one chicken and the School of Food staff have named one **Poppy** already.



Poppy



Mandeville's chick



Gayhurst's chick



Kingsmead's chick

The child who suggests the winning name for their schools' chick will win a free 'family' ticket (2 adults &

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2 children) for the Autumn Trail pumpkin light event on November 2nd - (tickets on sale [here](#).)

There will be a box by each Reception desk in each school to put your suggested chick name entries in (with the child's name and class) - any piece of paper will do. The school councillors of each school will choose the winning name for their school's chick.

Welcome Zoe

We are delighted to announce the new General Manager has started at Hackney School of Food last week and is already getting going on leading the HSoF into new developments and projects. Zoe will be ensuring that we can deliver cookery lessons to thousands of school children and will also be helping to raise vital funds and building on our social prescribing, community, team building, adult cookery classes and corporate events. Zoe joins the School of Food from The Food Foundation where she was the national advocacy manager, promoting food and healthy eating for children and led on the Feed the Future Campaign. Zoe will be leaping straight into organising the Autumn Trail on Nov 2nd, the biggest community event in our annual calendar



Investec Award

In September, the HSoF directors, Marc, headteacher of Mandeville, Louise, our Executive Headteacher and Naomi Duncan CEO of Chefs in Schools, travelled into the City and pitched to a panel of Investment banking Dragons as to why they should fund additional capacity HSoF going forward. **Investec Beyond Business** is an award winning programme, offering training and support for emerging social enterprises in east London. We are delighted to announce that they were successful and the HSoF will be supported to develop by Investec over the next few years. Here is a picture of Marc on the day of the Dragons den entering a competition to guess the weight of the pewter trophy!



FREE PARENT WORKSHOP DAY

Morningside Community centre (Cresset Rd, E9) are offering a day of free parent workshops run by Hackney Council including safeguarding training, online safety, parenting techniques, resources and support on **Tuesday 17 Oct.** Book your place [here](#)

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FREE PARENT WORKSHOPS FROM HACKNEY'S MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM



Every month Hackney's Mental Health Support team run a series of helpful workshops for parents on a range of topics. Below are links to sessions coming up in November around

supporting challenging behaviour at home, body positivity and support with issues around sleep. Just click the Eventbrite link if you would like to sign up for any of them.

6-week in person parent group: Managing behaviour that challenges (in person) from 9:30 - 11am (1 hr workshop, 30 mins for Q&A/Discussion), Wednesday mornings from **8th November 2023 - 13th December 2023** at a school based in the Hackney borough. | [Eventbrite](#)

Online Parent Workshop: Supporting young people to be body positive Tickets, **Thu 9 Nov 2023 at 17:00** | [Eventbrite](#)

Online Sleep workshop for parents of primary school children Tickets, **Thu 9 Nov 2023 at 10:00** | [Eventbrite](#)

HALF TERM: FREE LIBRARY ACTIVITIES & EVENT



This half term there are some fun free family activities and events linked to Black History taking place in Hackney's libraries. Find out more [here](#).

Celebrating our Sisters! Family Workshops

Sat 21st October 2 - 3 pm at Clapton Library

Mon 23rd October 2 - 3pm at Homerton Library

Fri 27th October 2 - 3pm at Dalston CLR James Library

Sat 28th October 11-12pm Hackney Central Library

**Stories with Ken Wilson Max for
Ages 5+**

Thurs 26 October 2- 3pm at
Stamford Hill Library



LEAP FOOTBALL NEWS

This week **Mandeville**, **Kingsmead** and **Gayhurst** all took part in the **Hackney 7 a-side Boys Football tournament**. Freddy, Mandeville's Specialist Sports teacher would like to say a huge thank you and well done to all three LEAP schools' teams, for their excellent teamwork and their great discipline!

We are very proud of all the boys who came and played - what an asset they are to LEAP federation!

LEAP FOOTBALL NEWS CONTINUED.....

Out of the 32 schools that competed, all three schools progressed to the final 16. There was a very tense quarter final match between Mandeville and Kingsmead which ended in Kingsmead's victory after a superb individual effort from **Ronel**.

Despite their best efforts and amazing sportsmanship, Gayhurst and Mandeville were unable to progress to the semi-final but they deserve congratulating nonetheless for representing their schools so well!

Kingsmead got to the semi-finals and lost on penalties, coming **3rd place** which is a huge achievement.

Well done to everybody who took part and thank you to all coaches for their great support and efforts.



EU CODE WEEK



Last week and this week we have been celebrating EU Code Week across LEAP! Code week is a grass-roots movement that promotes creativity, problem solving and

collaboration through programming and other tech activities. The idea is to make programming more visible, to show young, adults and elderly how you bring ideas to life with code, to demystify these skills and bring motivated people together to learn.

Last year, around 4 million people in more than 80 countries around the world took part in EU Code Week. At LEAP, teachers have been using online coding apps, as well as PurpleMash to explore and celebrate coding. Be sure to login at home too, so you can make the most of EU Code Week!

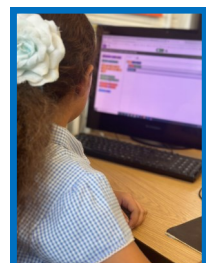
'I found Code Week amazing! I love coding!' - **Trae 6J**



'It is really easy to follow and fun!' - **Mia, Yr 5**
'When you get onto higher levels, it gets more challenging but the more you do it, the more you improve' - **Cindy, Yr 5**



'Coding is fun! I can't believe how easy it was to make a game!' - **Yasmeen Yr 5**





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	95	River 98% Mars 97.6%
Phase 2	Forest	342	
Phase 3	Venus	390	



WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

Last week's

Jaguar class Aariyan
Lion class Abdulbasit
Panther class Derick & Safwan
Ocean class Phoebe & Taylor

River class Ruben & Mischa
Forest class Pheobe & Labelle
Mercury class Ayaan & Courage
Mars class Bilal & Sofia
Venus class Aila & Esra

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

On Tuesday 10th October we marked World Mental Health day by supporting the Young Minds #helloyellow campaign. The theme this year was 'Mental health is a human right.'

Lots of children and staff came to school wearing something yellow and the children took part in mindfulness activities throughout the day.



Our Mental Health and Wellbeing ambassadors launched The Five Ways to wellbeing in assembly alongside Dr Natalie Bailey our WAMHS counselling psychologist, who works and supports children and families at Mandeville.



The whole school including Nursery took part in an outdoor Wellbeing session led by Headteacher Marc. The session consisted of stretching, Wing Chun Kung Fu and Qigong (pronounced 'chi gong') breathing techniques. Everybody had a blast and found the session very relaxing and beneficial.

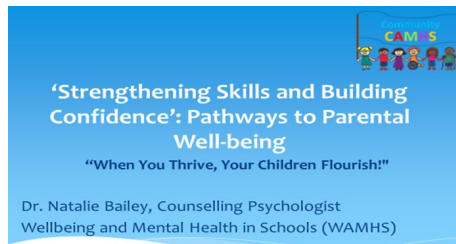


COFFEE MORNING

We will be holding a coffee morning on **Friday 20th Oct** at **9:15am** to provide more information about the upcoming **Strengthening Skills & Building**

COFFEE MORNING CONTINUED.....

Confidence series of workshops This series is carefully designed for all parents and is delivered by Dr Natalie Bailey, who is our Wellbeing and Mental Health in Schools Counselling Psychologist. The aim is to empower you with tools and strategies that will enable you to support your child's journey in understanding their emotions, navigating their behaviours, and mastering essential life skills. We welcome you come & find out more information & ask Dr Natalie Bailey any questions you might have



PHONICS & EARLY READING PARENT WORKSHOP

Last week we invited parents & carers to take part in a phonics and early reading workshop. During the session, we went through the structure of our phonics and reading lessons here at school and explored different ways in which parents and carers are able to help at home. Here are some of the things our parents and carers had to say.



'It was really useful I learnt lots about how to help them at home.' - **Amelia's mum.**
'I can't remember how I was taught to read so this is very helpful.' - **Issa's mum.**
'I've learned so many strategies I can now use at home.' - **Taylor's mum**



KEY DATES THIS TERM

Wed 18 Oct Teddy Bear's Picnic tour of Nursery & Reception classes 9.30am
Thurs 19 Oct Mars class (5D) assembly 3.10pm
Fri 20 Oct Coffee Morning 9.15am with Dr Natalie Bailey + David Lammy MP, Shadow Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Affairs visiting Mandeville
Mon 23 - Fri 27 Oct Half term break
Thurs 2 Nov HSoF Autumn Trail 4.30—7pm
Wed 15 Nov Teddy Bear's Picnic tour of Nursery & Reception classes 9.30am
Tues 19 Dec Last day of Autumn Term -
early close for children at 1.30pm