

LEAP NEWS

Friday 9 February 2024

SPANISH PHRASE of the week
Me gusta la primavera.... It I like Spring.....

Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership

CREATIVITY WEEK AT LEAP

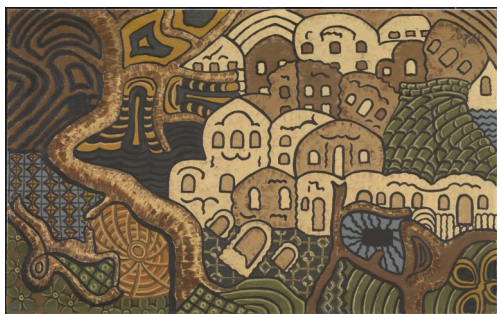
For creativity week this year schools across LEAP have been looking closely at two paintings. The first was chosen by The National Gallery as part of their Take One Picture project and it is called '**A Courtyard in Delft**' by **Pieter de Hooch**. The second is by Nigerian Artist **Uzo Egonu** titled '**Northern Nigerian Landscape**'. Through these two paintings pupils have been learning about architecture, pattern, contrast and the differences between homes, across cultures and through passages of time.

Pupils have been developing a range of skills, from observational drawing to printing and pattern design, collage and construction of 3D models. They have been learning about 'Dutch Golden Age Painting' which signified a time of prosperity and a break with monastic traditions, as well as the life of the artist Pieter de Hooch, who was fascinated by human stories, light and architecture. This is a painting which evokes lots of questions, such as: what is the woman in the background looking at? What is in the little girl's apron and who are the women in the picture? Children have enjoyed coming up with their own responses to these questions.



A Courtyard in Delft by Pieter de Hooch

The second painting by Egonu invites us to look at Nigerian landscape and the textures and patterns that exist within it. Some of the activities in response to this work have

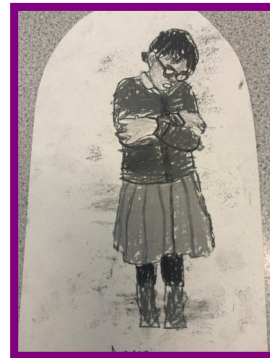
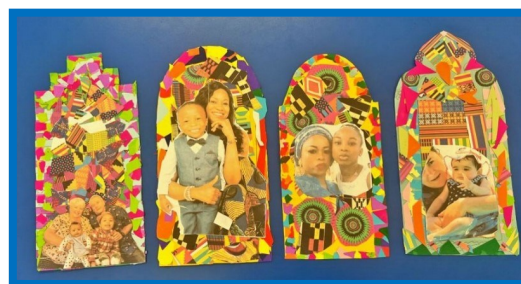


Northern Nigerian Landscape by Uzo Egonu

included frottage, stencilling and printing. The tree, which winds its way past the towering cityscape reminds us of nature's dominance. The way in which Egonu plays with perspective by stacking the houses and how he

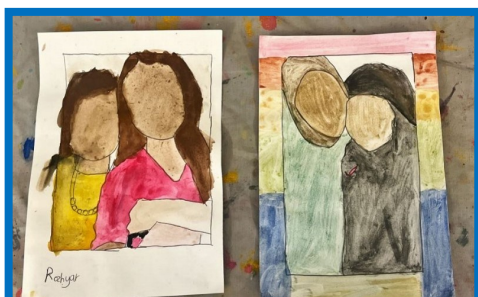
CREATIVITY WEEK AT LEAP CONTINUED.....

combines patterns, have inspired many of our class displays. Children across LEAP have had a fantastic week exploring these artworks and a range of artistic process inspired by them. We look forward to showing you all the incredible work that will be on display around the schools - watch this space!



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NETBALL NEWS

On Wednesday this week, Mandeville and Kingsmead schools participated in the **Hackney Netball**



Tournament. Both schools demonstrated their knowledge of the game and their skills during the matches. Kingsmead finished second just missing going through to the finals but congratulations to Mandeville who finished first and progress to the final.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION ONGOING - PLEASE VOTE!

The Parent election is still in process. Thank you to the people who have voted so far—please do make sure you vote if you have not yet done so. If you haven't received your voting form and instructions, please contact your school office.

Closing date for the election is **5pm Mon 19th February.**

SAFER INTERNET RESOURCES

Here are some excellent e-safety resources for parents and carers, from specialist Mary Rebelo who delivered some parent sessions across LEAP last year. Mary has developed the perfect one stop site for parents to get all the information they could ever need from what to look out for in the latest apps, to how to turn on parental controls on all of your devices. We thoroughly recommend the resources:

https://padlet.com/m_rebelo/parents-online-safety-updated-feb-2024-3rnqu3noo9e4ra23

In particular you might want to look at what is available on the ParentZone link

<https://parentzone.org.uk/library>



SPRING TERM 2024

1st half of term: 08.01.24 - 09.01.24

Half term: 12 - 16 Feb 2024

2nd half of term: 19.02.24 - 28.03.24

GREEN POINTS

Class

Points

TOP ATTENDANCE

Phase 1 (EYFS)

Panther

62

Phase 2

River

106

Phase 3

Venus

245

Ocean 96.8%

Mercury 98%



WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

Jaguar class Lenny
Lion class Findlay
Panther class Whole Class
Ocean class Azaria & Esila

River class Suri & Basma
Forest class Martin & Berat
Mercury class Christopher & Ayaan
Mars class Nana & Bilal
Venus class Harley & Mame

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK



Monday 5th February was the beginning of Children's Mental Health Awareness Week. This year's theme is 'My Voice Matters'. On Monday we had a whole school

assembly on Mental Health and Wellbeing and our ambassadors spoke about the activities planned for the week. They also shared the exciting news of the launch of the new Wellbeing Zones in the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 playgrounds.



During the week our wellbeing ambassadors received training from Jon our school counsellor.

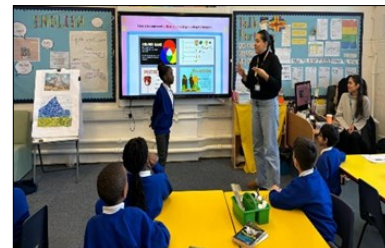


We had different wellbeing activities in the library every day this week led by different staff members. Here is Marc leading a mindfulness and breathing session.

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK CONTINUED.....

Pel, our EMHP delivered workshops to Years 3 - 6 on understanding your emotions.

Pel also delivered a parent workshop on managing behaviours that challenge. The workshop was well attended and some useful advice and tips were shared. If you would like to be sent the slides from the workshop please ask Natalie Richards our Mental Health and Wellbeing Lead.



COFFEE MORNING: ONLINE SAFETY



On Safer Internet Day (Tuesday 6th Feb) we held a coffee morning to share advice and resources about how to keep your child safe when they are online. Thank you to all those parents who attended. You should have now received an email with a list of useful

websites you can use with your child at home. We also encourage parents to use this link which will take you to a list of useful resources, including how to set up parental controls, adjust privacy settings and how to report any unwanted online behaviour: [Parent Toolkit](#) If you have any concerns about online safety, please let us know and we will be happy to support.

KEY DATES THIS TERM

w/c 12 Feb Half term break
Mon 19 Feb LEAP Parent Governor election closes 5pm
Thurs 7 March World Book Day +
Mandeville's International Evening 4.30 - 7pm
Fri 15 March Red Nose Day -wear something red
Tues 26 March Parent/carer evening
school finishes early at 1:30pm
Thurs 28 March Last day of term
school finishes early at 1:30pm

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RECEPTION CLASS ASSEMBLY

The children in Reception performed in their very own Lunar New Year Production! They celebrated the Chinese New Year (2024 is the Year of the Dragon), surprising the audience with an amazing dragon dance. They delivered their lines clearly and finished off their assembly with some beautiful singing. Well done Reception!



FAMILY COACH PARENT GROUP AT MANDEVILLE

The Family coach service are running a Parent Empowerment group consisting of 5 sessions at Mandeville Primary School with a focus on **Increasing Confidence and Reducing Stress**. These sessions are free and are for families with children who have special educational needs (in any of the 4 areas of SEN: sensory & physical, cognition & learning, communication & interaction or social, emotional and mental health). No formal diagnosis or EHCP required. The sessions will be on **Tuesdays from 9—10am** and the first session starts on **Tuesday 27th February 2024**.

Spaces are limited—only 10 available, To book your place please email familycoach@hackney.gov.uk or tell Natalie that you would like to attend.

FAMILY COACH PARENT GROUP CONTINUED.....



STARTING TUESDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2024

Increasing confidence and reducing stress
Parent Empowerment group - Delivered by the Family Coach Service
TUESDAYS 9- 10 AM @ MANDEVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Cognition & Learning **Communication & Interaction**
Social, Emotional & Mental Health **Sensory & Physical**

For families with children that have special educational needs (SEN).
In any of the 4 areas of SEN.
No formal diagnosis or EHCP required.

100% of parents recommend the groups

I feel more confident managing behaviour
I don't feel as alone

27TH OF FEBRUARY	5TH OF MARCH	12TH OF MARCH	19TH OF MARCH	26TH OF MARCH
Establishing your best hopes	Identifying your strengths	How to catch and change your thoughts in stressful situations	Exploring what supports you when you feel stressed	What would you do if you knew you couldn't fail?

10 spaces available. Please send us an email to book your place today familycoach@hackney.gov.uk

The Family Coach service are also running an online group you can book onto, if you can't make the Mandeville sessions. The online sessions can be done from home and will run on **Wednesdays from 1 - 2pm** starting **Wednesday 28th February**.

**WEDNESDAYS 1-2 PM
FROM 28TH OF FEBRUARY**

Online
From the comfort of your own home

GILPIN SQUARE COMMUNITY DAY

Don't forget to go along to the **FREE Community Day** being held in the Gilpin Square area taking place on **Thursday 15th February from 12pm to 4pm**. All are invited!

Hackney School of Food will provide **Jerk Chicken, Rice and Peas**.

They'll be lots of fun activities including the local police with some horses and dogs, the fire brigade will be outside with a fire engine and various stalls (gardening, arts and crafts) as well as a magician doing magic tricks and Leyton Orient talking to people about football. There will also be stalls sharing useful information about careers, health advice and what the council plans are for the development of the area.

Gilpin Square Community Day
15th February 2024 12pm-4pm
Venue: Pedro Youth Club

Free Food! Jerk, Rice, Candy Floss!

Come see a working Fire Truck, Police Horses, Close-up Magician, play board games and see our CCTV van in action.

Just turn up on the day. No tickets or admission fee

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