

LEAP NEWS

Friday 1 March 2024

SPANISH PHRASE of the week

Las flores están saliendo.... *The flowers are coming out.....*

Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership

LEAP SCHOOL COUNCILS

On Monday the School Councillors from Gayhurst, Kingsmead and Mandeville met to discuss an exciting joint project. The children met with Jessie Mond Wedd, a legal consultant for Lawyers for Nature. They found out about the 'We are Nature' project which wants to change the dictionary definition of 'Nature' to include humans.

The school council listened to why this was important, how humans are connected to nature, how we can protect it more and how we can get involved.

'I liked the idea of changing the definition of nature, because in the future I can tell my children that I helped to change this. It makes us humans more aware of nature' - Michael Y6.

'I like that Jessie loves nature because I do too. I love the trees that give us oxygen and they are helping the environment, keeping us alive.' - Amirah and Alvin Y4

The school councillors plan to deliver an assembly in their LEAP school, following a discussion with the Headteacher. They will be asking the children across LEAP, 'How do you define nature?' Children are able to respond to the question in the form of a drawing, a poster, a story, a poem, or by writing their own definition.

'I am amazed to be one of the children chosen to be a part of this amazing opportunity' Solene Y5

'Animals are part of nature, so humans are part of nature too. We should protect all nature because we are all living things.' Cody and Lara 3C



SPANISH TRANSLATION WORKSHOP CONTINUED.....

borough. They learnt about some of the difficulties translators face in their work and what makes a good translation. Each group produced their

own translation of the Colombian story 'Eloisa y los Bichos'. We loved the story and highly recommend it to Spanish learners to improve their reading skills!

The children demonstrated outstanding communication and teamwork skills and made us all very proud. ¡Un trabajo bien hecho!

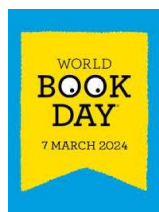


SPRING HOLIDAY CAMPS

All three LEAP schools will be offering Spring Holiday camps from **Tuesday 2 April to Friday 5 April from 10am to 2pm**. Gayhurst's camp will be at Gayhurst school and the Kingsmead and Mandeville camp will be at Kingsmead school. More information and how to sign up in next week's newsletter.

WORLD BOOK DAY REMINDER

NEXT WEEK ON THURSDAY 7 MARCH



Gayhurst, Kingsmead and Mandeville schools will be celebrating World Book Day next week on **Thurs 7 March**. World Book Day is a special day when children and staff come to school dressed as a character from a favourite book or comic. So start planning your costume!

Please don't feel you have to buy a costume - we are hoping to see lots of homemade creations. You could make your costume using cardboard boxes, tin foil, an old sheet that you could draw on, face paints....whatever you have to hand at home! Get creative! Prizes will be given out at each school to the best home-made costumes.

If you need help with ideas here's a link to some very easy homemade costumes linked to lovely children's books
<https://www.theschoolrun.com/cheap-and-easy-ideas-last-minute-world-book-day-costumes>

SPANISH TRANSLATION WORKSHOP

A group of children from each LEAP school took part in a Spanish Translation Skills workshop run by the University of Oxford with Hackney Council at Parkwood Primary School. The children worked in translation teams with children from other schools across the



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	92	River 97,1% Venus 98%
Phase 2	River	256	
Phase 3	Mercury	107	



WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

Jaguar class Isabella
Lion class John Christopher
Panther class Whole Class
Ocean class Jah'khel & Lulu

River class Malu & Masuma
Forest class Jayden & Kara
Mercury class Zeylan & Ayaan
Mars class Tidiane & Malakai
Venus class Aila & Esra

MANDEVILLE'S INTERNATIONAL EVENING



Next **Thursday 7 March** is our International Evening. The event starts at **4:30pm and will run until 7pm**. You can purchase tickets from the office £2 for an adult and £1 per child. If your child is performing, they will not need a ticket. If you are donating food, you will receive a free ticket. All hot food should be delivered at 2:30pm to the glass doors along with your chef pack. You can collect chef packs from the office with all the information you will need to provide. Thank you to all those who have contributed already. If you would like to contribute food or your time, please speak to

Meret or Natalie. We look forward to celebrating with you all!

RECEPTION CLASS YOGA SESSION

The Reception class multisport activity club, led by Kaltum, introduces children to a variety of physical activities, recently focusing on yoga for stretching, breathing, and movement. The children eagerly anticipate each weekly session, displaying high levels of enthusiasm and enjoyment throughout. Occasionally, there are guest appearances by other staff members, which the children look forward to. The club takes place every **Tuesday from 3:30 to 4:30pm**. Please ensure your child brings in a water bottle and wears trainers or plimsolls for comfort and safety. We look forward to the next session!" *Yoga is so much fun because I can bend and stretch my body.* - Salma

RECEPTION YOGA CONTINUED...



RECEPTION CLASS VISIT HACKNEY MARSHES

The reception children have been exploring woodland animals this week. They took a stroll over to the marshes to find some woodland animals.

Paddy - 'I saw a squirrel'

Zeme - 'I saw a duck and squirrel'

Henry - 'I saw a two birds' nest'

Hamid - 'I saw a worm and some birds'



KEY DATES THIS TERM

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