

LEAP NEWS

Friday 22 March 2024

SPANISH PHRASE of the week
Me gusta comer chocolate.... I like eating chocolate

Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership

SCHOOL COUNCIL PROJECT

This week the school councillors across LEAP have continued to work on the Definition of Nature campaign. The joint project has been gathering momentum, with the children sharing their own definitions for the joint project and encouraging others to take part through an assembly in each school.

'I think nature is about everything that is made naturally, and that's humans too!' **Alvin, Y4, Mandeville**

'I love to watch beautiful views and sunsets.' **Michael, Y6 Mandeville**

'It is sad humans weren't included in the definition because we are definitely part of it.' **Phoebe, Y6, Mandeville**

The school councils will meet after the Easter break to collate all the ideas and share with Lawyers for Nature. They will be working with a videographer to bring the story to life and share their thoughts. The deadline for sending in your definition is Tuesday 16th April. Please give your definition to **Jacqueline (Gayhurst), Latisha (Kingsmead) and Ellie (Mandeville)**. It can be in the form of a poem, a poster, a rap song or a few lines of text.

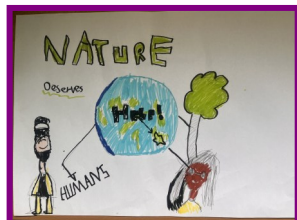
Mandeville school councillors working on their posters



Gayhurst councillors delivery a school assembly about the project



Some posters created by Asha and Manuela in Year 3

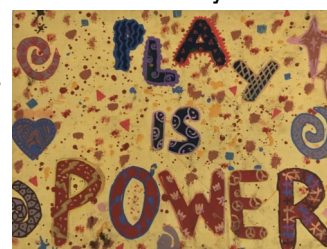


FREE HOLIDAY FUN AT HACKNEY MUSEUM

Celebrating Hackney's Adventure Playgrounds

During the Easter holidays the Hackney Museum will be running activities inspired by the new Celebrating Hackney's Adventure Playgrounds exhibition. Come and create placards, signs and pictures to show how you feel about adventure playgrounds. You can also have fun in the exhibition with our loose parts play.

Free drop-in craft activity sessions will run from
Tuesday 2nd – Saturday 13th
April 10am to 1pm



All children must be supervised by a responsible adult

APPEAL FOR PARENT HELP

Do you work in PR or marketing or fundraising and would you be willing to help and advise the LEAP federation? If so, please get in touch at

parenthelp@leapfederation.org

SPRING HOLIDAY CAMPS

Don't forget to sign up for the Spring Holiday camp if you haven't already.

All three LEAP schools are offering Spring Holiday camps from **Tuesday 2 April to Friday 5 April from 10am to 2pm**, with lots of sports and physical activities on offer as well as art sessions and cooking at the School of Food.

Gayhurst's camp will be at Gayhurst school and the Kingsmead and Mandeville camp will be at Kingsmead school. The camps are open to children in Reception class through to Year 6.





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	68	River 96.8% Mars 98.6%
Phase 2	River	109	
Phase 3	Mercury	68	



WEEKLY CLASS AWARDS

Jaguar class	Andre
Lion class	Nemar
Panther class	Ahmet & Zeme
Ocean class	Millie & Io

River class	Nana & Husseyin
Forest class	Yusuf & Labelle
Mercury class	Taeyah-Mae & Armani
Mars class	Mohsen & Kylie
Venus class	David & Phoebe

MILLFIELDS PARK TRIPS

Children in Years 3 & 4 helped to plant some wild meadows in Millfields Park to provide lots of food for the local pollinating insects. Hackney Parks department are on a mission to plant flowers that will sustain the local bees, moth & butterflies. The children are looking forward to visiting the fields again when they are full of flowers and enjoyed trying to guess the colours and shapes of the flowers that would attract the most insects.



YR 6 KAYAKING TRIP

The Hackney Schools Kayak Sprint competition provided an incredible experience for the Year 6 children involved. It enabled them to push their limits by participating in an event that pushed them beyond their comfort zones. They had to work together in pairs to race 50m in their kayaks, facing some tough competition. A few of the children achieved third place in their contest. Congratulations to all participants for their commendable efforts!

"I was really surprised on how the whole event was so calm and relaxed. This is by far the best trip I've been to this year. I want to say a massive thank you to the organisers." - **Freddy, PE teacher**

"We tried our best. It is the taking part that counts." - **Princess**

"I liked that they gave us training beforehand, so we knew what to expect. It was a fun day." - **Neriah**

"Some of the children in the competition looked like professionals! I did well with my partner to get close to them." - **Jerome**



YR 6 KAYAKING TRIP CONTINUED...



EARLY CLOSING REMINDERS

Don't forget next week **school closes early at 1.30pm for children** on:

Tuesday 27th March - for our parent consultations

Thursday 29th March - which is the last day of term

FAMILY GARDENING SESSION AT SCHOOL OF FOOD

Join the Hackney School of Food for a FREE group gardening session **Monday 25th March 3:30pm-5:30pm**. Come and explore the garden, learn how we grow our food and practice some gardening skills.

This is our first family gardening session and we want to hear what people would like from our garden space, so come along and tell us over some delicious food & snacks. This is a family session so kids and carers of all ages are welcome & remember to bring outdoor clothing that can get dirty!

FAMILY GARDENING

At Hackney School of Food

When? 25th March 3.30-5.30pm

Food Provided

Join us for a FREE afternoon in the garden at Hackney School of Food!

Learn practical skills in food growing and gardening, with food provided.

This is an open session for children and adults, everyone welcome!

How do I sign up?
We'd love to know if you are coming
Text us on 0751512177 or email us at hello@hackneyschooloffood.com

Where to find us:
Hackney School of Food
Oswald St, Lower Clapton, London, E5 0BT

KEY DATES THIS TERM

Mon 25 March	Drumming & Dance performances 2.15pm Yrs 1,2,3,4 & 6 + Family Gardening session at Hackney School of Food 3.30pm
Tues 26 March	Parent/carer evening school finishes early at 1:30pm
Weds 27 March	Gymnastic performances 3pm Yrs 3 & 4
Thurs 28 March	Last day of term school finishes early at 1:30pm