

LEAP NEWS

Friday 6th October 2023

SPANISH PHRASE of the week
El otoño es muy bonito.... *Autumn is very pretty...*

Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership

HACKNEY SCHOOL OF FOOD AUTUMN TRAIL

The fabulous Hackney School of Food Autumn Trail is back on **Thursday 2nd November** from **4.30—7pm!** Don't miss getting a ticket—they are available to book on the link below:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/hackneyschooloffood>

Tickets are **£8 adults/ £4 children** which includes a bowl of pumpkin soup and bread.

This year we are offering **all LEAP families eligible for Free School Meals, FREE tickets to the event**, if they register for FSM in time. If you are registered for Free School Meals you can claim your free ticket at the School Office of your child's school.

HACKNEY
SCHOOL OF FOOD

OSWALD STREET
E5 0BT



Autumn Trail

Thursday 2nd November



4.30- 7pm



WANDER OUR PUMPKIN-LIT GARDENS,
ENJOY FAMILY FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES,
FILL UP ON DELICIOUS HOMEMADE FOOD,
KEEP WARM BY OUR FIREPITS

£8 Adult | £4 Child

including pumpkin soup & bread

TICKETS AVAILABLE VIA OUR WEBSITE
WWW.HACKNEYSCHOOLOFFOOD.COM
OR SCAN THE QR CODE



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WORLD HAIR DAY

Children and staff enjoyed celebrating World Hair Day on Monday this week with some very creative hairstyles arriving at school, as you can see from these photos!



WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY



On **Tuesday 10th October**, our LEAP schools are celebrating World Mental Health Day. The theme this year is **'mental health is a universal human right.'**

Children will take part in activities during the day and will hear from the schools Mental Health Champions too. They will have time to discuss what mental health is and ways we can all look after our mental health.

To promote this day as part of the Young Minds **#helloyellow2023** campaign, we are encouraging children to wear something yellow on Tuesday to mark the occasion, this could be a yellow top, hairband or socks.



NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER

Please note that next week's LEAP and school newsletter will be sent out to you on **Monday 16th October** (and not Friday 13th October as usual).



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

CROWN WINNERS

Nursery	82	Year 3	80	EYFS & KS1	Tyne
Reception	75	Year 4	93		
Year 1	102	Year 5	90	KS2	Fowey
Year 2	94	Year 6	88		98.5%

TOP ATTENDANCE



GOLDEN AWARDS

Ouse class (Nur) Lamiyah
Lea class (Rec) Ottavia
Lagan class (Yr 1) Margarissa
Tyne class (Yr 2) Believe

Severn class (Yr 3) Yaqoob
Ness class (Yr 4) Kyron
Fowey class (Yr 5) Cindy
Avon class (Yr 6) Abdullahi

BRITISH MUSEUM TRIPS

YEAR 5: We visited the British Museum last week to explore the Anglo-Saxon and Viking galleries. As part of our history lessons, we researched and learned about the amazing discovery made in Sutton Hoo. Sutton Hoo, Suffolk, is home to one of the greatest archaeological discoveries of all time! We found out that it was an ancient Anglo-Saxon burial ground with a 27-meter-long ship including a burial chamber located in the centre of the ship. Although the ship was no longer intact, the archaeologists were amazed by what they had found as it showed what life was like during the Anglo-Saxon times. We loved seeing all the artefacts that were found on the ship. We couldn't believe the items we were learning about was right in front of us!

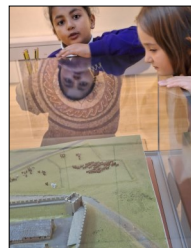
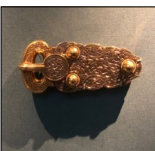
We became investigators and completed various tasks to find out more about the burial at Sutton Hoo. The most exciting was viewing the famous helmet that clearly belonged to someone important!

'The helmet was much bigger than I expected' - **Marquez**

'I loved seeing the intricate designs on the gold belt buckle' - **Cindy**

YEAR 4: We visited the British Museum to see the artefacts from the Ancient Egyptian galleries. The children have been learning about the mummification process and were fascinated to see real mummies! They also saw the Rosetta stone and saw hieroglyphics on many different artefact.

'I can't believe the mummies were real.' - **Angela**
'I enjoyed seeing the different types of mummification (sand) and also liked seeing the human remains.' - **Ali**



MATHS PARENT WORKSHOP

On Wednesday we held our second parents' workshop for **Reception and Year 1** parents and this time we were talking about Maths. It was lovely to see so many enthusiastic parents there and to explain how we teach maths at Kingsmead. We discussed how to help children at home and the importance of a parent & carer's enthusiasm for learning maths to the progress of a child. Parents were provided with a list of ideas of what to do at home including counting, number recognition, subitising and adding and subtracting small numbers. The list has been emailed out to all parents with children in Reception and Year 1, so don't worry if you weren't able to attend the workshop. We look forward to seeing you all again soon.

Zhavia's parents said *"The workshop was very informative. We learnt maths differently to how it is taught now. Songs and games are a great way for children to learn and remember things. We've come away with some good ideas"*



KEY DATES THIS TERM

- Tue 10 Oct** World Mental Health Day children are invited to wear something **yellow** +
Parent & Carer dance & drumming session 3 - 3.30pm
- Wed 11 Oct** **Yr 3** RE assembly 3pm
- Thurs 19 Oct** Kingsmead's International Evening 4 - 6.30pm
- Mon 23 - Fri 27 Oct** Half term break
- Wed 1 Nov** Coffee Morning: LEAP's Empowerment Curriculum 9 - 9.45am
- Thurs 2 Nov** HSoF Autumn Trail 4.30—7pm
- Wed 8 Nov** **Rec** class assembly 3pm
- Wed 13 Nov** **Yr 2** class assembly 3pm
- Wed 22 Nov** **Yr 6** RE assembly 3pm
- Thurs 30 Nov** Parent & Carer Consultation Evening—
school closes early for children at 1.30pm
- Wed 6 Dec** **Yr 1** Nativity Assembly
- Tues 19 Dec** Last day of Autumn Term -
early close for children at 1.30pm

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH & THE LEAP EMPOWERMENT CURRICULUM

October is Black History Month and this year's theme is **Celebrating Our Sisters** and highlights the crucial role black women have played in shaping history, inspiring change and building communities.



Rich, Relevant and Representative: The LEAP Empowerment Curriculum

At LEAP, we ensure that Black History is taught all year round and woven throughout the curriculum, not just during Black History month. Over the past couple of years we have analysed each unit of work across the curriculum to evaluate whether or not it meets our vision for a rich, relevant and representative curriculum. We have researched, discussed, questioned and looked at meaningful ways to develop each unit. From history, geography, art, music to our core reading texts we have changed the content, to reflect world culture and move away from a Eurocentric view, whilst ensuring we are still covering the National Curriculum expectations. We continue to analyse and assess the impact and value of these changes and welcome feedback from our school community. Our recent staircase murals at Gayhurst & Mandeville (and we hope soon to be at Kingsmead) reflect our commitment to ensuring we celebrate every culture and the story of the development of all humankind.



We would like to invite you to our **Empowerment Curriculum Coffee Morning on Wednesday 1st Nov at 9am**, where you will be able to find out more about our approach and what your children will be learning. You can find out more on the LEAP federation website [here](#).

PARENT DRUMMING & DANCE SESSION

On World Mental Health Day (next **Tuesday 10th**

October) we are holding a taster session for our parents and carers to come along and try some drumming and dance at **3pm to 3.30pm**, with our fabulous specialist teachers Ms Harley and Aaron. What better way to give a boost to your mental health than learning some simple drumming rhythms and having the chance to move your body with Ms Harley who will teach you a simple routine! Do come along.... All are welcome!



JUNIOR ROAD SAFETY OFFICERS

Exciting news! Kingsmead school have two new Junior road safety officers (JRSOs), **Jemima** and **Alex** from Year 5. On Tuesday this week they were invited to a special JRSO training session at the Tomlinson Centre to learn more about their new role, along with other children who are taking on the job of JRSO for their school. Their job is to increase road safety awareness in and around our school. At the training session Hackney's Speaker Anya Sizer addressed the children and encouraged them to think about what they can do to make a difference in their role. She said she is very proud of all the JRSOs and stressed the importance of their jobs



Jemima and Alex plan to encourage safer travel behaviour amongst their peers, parents and school staff. They might also help to organise safer travel activities and campaigns at Kingsmead school. It is a big job and they may need your help.

