



# LEAP NEWS

## Friday 10th November 2023

### SPANISH PHRASE of the week

Me gusta jugar con mis amigos.... *I like to play with my friends...*

**Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership**

## COMIC RELIEF'S UNLOCK A SMILE ART COMPETITION

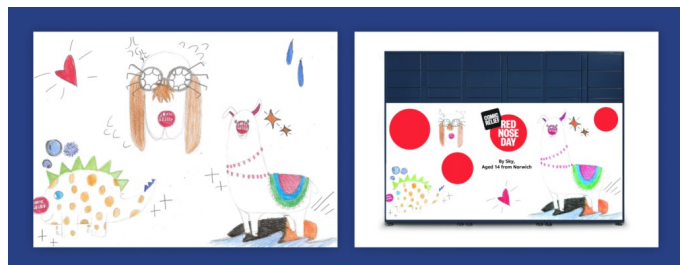
Thanks to Gayhurst parent Rebecca, (Frida's mum in class 2S), who works for Comic Relief and sent us information about a new drawing competition for schools that Comic Relief are running in partnership with Amazon pickup Lockers.

The competition is open until Friday 24 November and we'd love to see some entries from LEAP children !

The idea is for school-aged children (4-16 yrs) to design something eye-catching which will then be enlarged and wrapped round an Amazon pickup locker in their local area. Final designs will be judged by Lenny Henry in December .

Not only will a winning design from each age category\* appear on x2 Amazon Lockers (like Lenny's pic below), but the winning artist will receive a goody bag crammed full of Red Nose Day treats and their school will receive £1000 in Amazon Gift Cards!

Entrants can draw whatever they like, just on a plain white piece of A4 paper. Here's an example design to show you how it would work:



### DEADLINE IS MIDNIGHT ON FRIDAY 24 NOV

All the information about how to enter and send in your design can be found below:

<https://www.comicrelief.com/rednoseday/schools/amazon/unlockasmile>

\* Age categories are:  
4-7  
8-10  
11-13  
14-16



## ANTI - BULLYING WEEK



Next week, we will be celebrating Anti-bullying week in all of the LEAP schools. To launch this, we are asking for all children to wear odd socks on **Monday 13th Nov** to celebrate difference. We will be exploring

the definition and different types of bullying and how we can support each other to be kind in class discussions and or assemblies next week.

## CHILDREN IN NEED



Next **Friday 17th November**, across LEAP we are supporting Children in Need by **wearing Pyjamas to school!** We ask that children bring in a donation of coins and give them to their class

teacher, to raise funds for all that Children In Need does to make sure that every child has the support they need to thrive.

## FREE ONLINE COURSE FOR PARENTS: SUPPORTING AN ANXIOUS CHILD

Silvercloud are offering a free online course for parents on supporting an anxious child (primary school aged). This can be undertaken at any point that is convenient to you. The resource can be found here:

<https://chmhst.silvercloudhealth.com/onboard/cityhackneysupportteam/programs/144/details>



## 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	84	Year 3	80	EYFS & KS1	Lagan 99%
Reception	78	Year 4	93		
Year 1	95	Year 5	81	KS2	Avon 99.5%
Year 2	92	Year 6	110		

## TOP ATTENDANCE



## GOLDEN AWARDS

**Ouse class (Nur)** Emaan  
**Lea class (Rec)** Ayla B  
**Lagan class (Yr 1)** Carter  
**Tyne class (Yr 2)** Khalifa

**Severn class (Yr 3)** Kimarni  
**Ness class (Yr 4)** Lily  
**Fowey class (Yr 5)** Porsha  
**Avon class (Yr 6)** Eesa

## YEAR 2 VISIT SCHOOL OF FOOD GARDENS

Year 2 had a brilliant time at the HSOF garden. We met the Kingsmead chick, **Sunflower**, and the other chicks and hens. We got to see all the amazing pumpkins and we planted sweet pea seeds. We also helped Lidka separate sunflower seeds from the mulch so she can plant the seeds in the garden. It was a wonderful morning!

**Elena** "I loved the garden"

**George** "There was a huge pumpkin!"



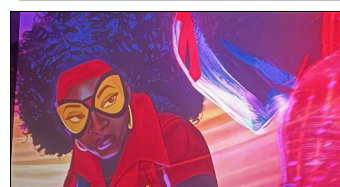
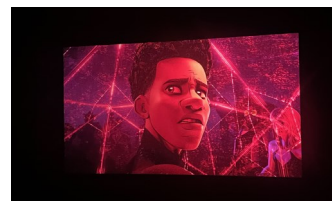
## YEAR 6 SEE SPIDERMAN FILM

Year 6 were very lucky to receive free tickets to watch the Into film cinema screening of "Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse" at the Stratford Picturehouse.

**Emryah** "The movie was very sci-fi, action filled and adventurous. I absolutely loved it and I would 100% watch it again!"

**Ahija** said "The ending of the movie was good because we are learning about writing using tension and suspense"

**Layla A** said "I was on the edge of my seat because it was so exciting and filled with surprise"



## KEY DATES THIS TERM

- Mon 13—Fri 17 Nov** Parent & Carer Come to School Week
- Mon 13 Nov** Wear Odd Socks today for start of Anti-Bullying Week
- Wed 15 Nov** Yr 2 class assembly 3pm
- Fri 17 Nov** Children in Need—wear PJs to school today
- Mon 20 Nov** Road Safety Awareness week
- 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 12 Dec** Wear a Festive Jumper day +  
Drumming & Dance performances 2.15pm
- Thurs 14 Dec** Yrs 2 & 3 Gymnastic performances 3pm
- Tues 19 Dec** Last day of Autumn Term -  
**early close for children at 1.30pm**

## PARENT CARER CONSULTATION REMINDER

Parent and Carer Consultations are on **Thursday 30th November**. School closes at 1.30pm on this day. An email will be sent out on Monday 13th November advising parents on how to book a slot.

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Please remember to inform the main office of any changes to your contact details i.e: home number, mobile phone number, address, or if your child has a medical condition.



### COFFEE MORNING ON LEAP EMPOWERMENT CURRICULUM

Parents attending this week's session on Wednesday were introduced to the Coffee Morning team with **Latisha** (our new Pastoral Support Manager) and **Hira** (a regular Coffee Morning parent but now a member of staff too!) and our ever reliable **Debs**!

Evelyn, our headteacher led a discussion about the strengths of the whole school community - and many parents commented on the family feel of the school and it's open door approachable culture..

Evelyn then gave a presentation about the LEAP Empowerment Curriculum, explaining how and why it came about. She explained our rich and relevant curriculum and how we have worked hard to make sure it represents our diverse community with a focus on children having high aspirations and role models. We discussed in length that black history is now incorporated into our History curriculum throughout the year (rather than just being a special focus month). You can find out more about the LEAP Empowerment Curriculum [here](#). Evelyn also shared Kingsmead's Enrichment offer with parents and emphasised the importance of maintaining free access to breakfast club, activity hour clubs, trips, workshops and many other enrichment experiences.

There was also a discussion about the wider school community and the school events that bring us all together, such International Evening and Summer Fair. There was lots of very positive feedback about our recent International Evening and how proud everyone feels about belonging to such a strong community.

We also had a good conversation about the importance of Parent Voice and asked those present to think about a Parent Group name for the Coffee Morning regulars and also what future workshop and coffee morning sessions they would like to have. Some of the things that were suggested were How to navigate the school website, Supporting Behaviour at Home, and Maths strategies to support children at home. If you have any other ideas for a Coffee Morning session focus please let Debs know.

Thank you to all those parents who attended - it was great to have your contributions.

*"The session was very informative with lots about the curriculum. Evelyn did it really well and it was great to get us thinking about what else we'd like for future sessions"* -

**Mustapha's mum**

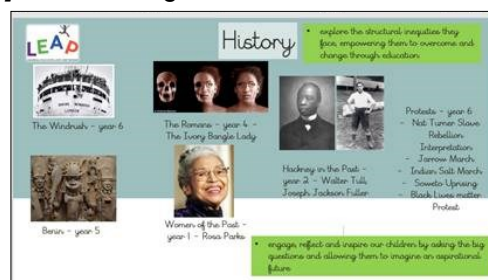
### COFFEE MORNING REPORT CONTINUED.....

*"It was an amazing presentation and covered so much about what is going on with regards to the curriculum. I found it very reassuring and great that Evelyn was so open. The sessions are a great resource for us to have as parents"* - **Marcel's dad.**

*"We discussed so many things about how the teachers and school help our children and us, the parents"* - **Meryem's mum.**

*"It felt really supportive & was great to share the curriculum and the changes that are being made to it to help our kids and widen their opportunities"* -

**Nyla Rae & Zhavia's mum**



### GIRLS STEM CLUB IN THE REAL WORLD!

This week our girls STEM Class took on a more practical focus when we changed the front wheel of Shenaz's car! Shenaz had arrived at school to find her front right tyre flat with a large nail through it and we thought that this would be an excellent opportunity to learn some engineering related skill. Under careful supervision the girls learned how to use a 'jack' to raise the car off the ground before undoing all the bolts on the wheel and replacing the damaged wheel with the spare one. The nuts were difficult to undo and took a lot of force and it was a real team effort. Maybe we'll set up our own 'Kingsmead Garage' for any future repairs.

**Hue** (Year 6) - *"We had to lift up the car with a tool but there was only one part where we could lift because if we lifted up another part the car would break."*

**Kinza** (Year 5) - *"It was very exciting because we didn't expect such a big job."*

**Niovi** (Year 4) - *"I liked it when we had to jump up and down on the lever."*

