



KINGSMEAD NEWS

SPRING TERM 2019

1st half of term	07/01/19 - 15/02/19
Half term break	18/02/19 - 22/02/19
2nd half of term	25/02/19 - 05/04/19

Monday 14th January 2019

SPANISH PHRASE

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SCHOOL LUNCHES

£1.60 per day	£8 per week
£48.00 for first half of term	
£48.00 for second half of term	

WELCOME BACK!

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a well-deserved rest and an enjoyable break over the holidays. It's wonderful to see all the children so happy to be back at school, well rested, in school uniform and ready for the challenges this term. We are all looking forward to a busy Spring term ahead with lots of exciting events and proud, memorable achievements. Amongst other things we have Nursery & Reception's Chinese New Year assembly, World Book Day and Creativity Week to look forward to this term.

YEAR 6 GO ICE SKATING

'It was a real pleasure and treat for me to be invited to accompany the Year 6 children Ice-skating at Somerset House. I don't often get the opportunity to go on trips, however I got first-hand experience of how Kingsmead children conduct themselves outside of school and how they appreciate being rewarded for good behaviour. The children were so grateful for the chance to ice-skate in such a beautiful environment. They presented excellent behaviour and a positive attitude at all times. We also made this trip a Geography learning experience by exploring the iconic landmarks across the Southbank and River Thames. Thank you Year 6 for making me and Kingsmead very proud!'



Evelyn - Associate Headteacher

BAT OUT OF HACKNEY OPERA

Some talented drummers and dancers from all three LEAP schools (Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville), are working hard rehearsing for their upcoming performance in an exciting contemporary opera being developed by the East London Metropolitan Opera (ELMO). The opera, **Bat out of Hackney**, will feature the Hackney Empire Community Choir, Hackney's Youth Choir and LEAP pupils alongside high calibre opera soloists. The final performance to the public is on Friday 25th January from 6 - 7.30pm at Hackney Empire 2.

CYCLING WORLD CUP

At the very end of last term Year 6 were very lucky to get tickets for the whole class to see the Cycling World Cup races at the Velodrome in Queen Elizabeth's Park. The children walked to the venue and were thrilled to see some of the races.



"They cycled so fast! Some of the racers had a connected bike with 2 riders (a tandem) & they were cycling at exactly the same speed....and they just got faster and faster. I'm in the school cycle racing team and the whole trip was really inspiring to me" - Isabelle (year 6).

HACKNEY MUSEUM WORKSHOP

Just before the holidays Years 4 & 6 took part in African & Caribbean Music workshops at the Hackney Museum run by rap artist Bad Lay-Dee. The workshop gave the children a chance to express their thoughts and feelings. They really enjoyed learning about all the different types of music such as Jazz, Reggae, Hip Hop, R&B etc. They could identify with the types of music they were played and were interested to realize how similar they are to the music they listen to and how it relates to their cultures and beliefs. Here are a few lines from **Raiza's** (Year 4) rap:



"I like chilling with my family and my friends, with them the fun never ends. The food we eat and the games we play, I hope it never, ever, ever goes away...."

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 25th January 6 - 7.30pm

LEAP drummers & dancers perform in Bat Out of Hackney Opera at Hackney Empire 2

Wednesday 6th February

Photographer in school for individual & sibling photos

Wednesday 13th February

Year 3 class portrait for Tate Briton project

Monday 18th - Friday 22nd February

Half Term break

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day

Thursday 28th March

Parent/Carers' consultation evening -
school closes early at 1.30pm

Tuesday 2nd April

End of term Drumming & Dance performance 2pm

Friday 5th April

Last day of Spring Term -
children finish at 1.30pm

EVERYONE HEALTH

Everyone Health are delivering a FREE 12 week weight management programme to all young people (aged 5 -19) and their families across Hackney. The programme offers support on healthy eating, physical activity and wellbeing. Families are able to self-refer to this programme up until the programme start date.

If you are worried about your child's weight and are interested in self-referring please complete the online form asap:

<http://www.everyonehealth.co.uk/online-form-hackney-2/> or call 0333 3214 773

The programme closest to our school will be running on Saturdays (from 19/01/19 to 06/04/19) @ HBC Community Centre, Barnabas Road, E9 5SD.



Artist & filmmaker Steve McQueen

YEAR 3 & TATE BRITAIN

We are happy to announce that our Year 3 class will be taking part in an exciting art project run by Turner Prize-winning artist and Oscar-winning filmmaker

Steve McQueen and Tate Britain. The project is one of the world's most ambitious contemporary art projects: a portrait of an entire age group of Londoners, capturing tens of thousands of Year 3 schoolchildren from across the capital. Kingsmead's Year 3 have their class portrait booked in for Wednesday 13th February. The final artwork will be exhibited across London in Autumn 2019.

OUR NEW DISPLAYS

We have some wonderful new display up around school. Each class has been looking at British painters from the past 400 years.

They have explored where they worked to see if this influenced the way they worked or what they liked to paint (Geography link). Each class has focused on a specific painting skill (Art link).



Nursery looked at Peter Doig



Yr 2 looked at William Morris

The displays are presented in the form of a timeline (History link) which starts outside the Year 5 class room and travels all the way down the corridor, to the Year 1 classroom. The children and teachers have worked very hard to create these amazing displays, and they are a real testament to the creativity that happens here at Kingsmead.

Daniel (yr 6), one of our Art Ambassadors, had the following to say about the new displays: *"The children seem to really know what they were doing and have taken their time and worked really hard on their paintings. I have learnt about different painting styles and techniques by looking at these displays"*



Yr 3 looked at Turner



Yr 4 looked at Hogarth



Yr 5 looked at John Michael Wright

SWIMMING & CYCLING

This term it's Year 4's turn to have weekly swimming lessons, which take place on Wednesday afternoon. Please make sure your child remembers to bring their swimming kit every Wednesday.

It will be Year 5's turn to have small group cycling lessons this term, which will take place on Fridays.

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