

LEAP NEWS

Friday 19 January 2024

SPANISH PHRASE of the week
Está muy oscuro.... It is very dark....

Kingsmead, Gayhurst and Mandeville Primary Schools working in partnership

LEAP PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

Thank you to all the candidates who have put their names forward to become a Parent governor. We will be writing to each of you to ask you to ask for a statement of not more than 200 words about why you would like to be a parent governor and what you bring to the role to share with the rest of the parent community.

The next stage is that we will send every family a copy of each candidate's statement with instructions on how to vote. Every parent is entitled to vote but as we don't necessarily know who that might be in your household, we rely on you to tell us if there are additional parents/carers in your family. As we are a federation we ask that you look at all parents who are standing based on their statements not on which school their children attend. The successful candidate will be a governor for all three schools equally and will need to demonstrate that they understand that. For example, Kevin Tang is a parent at Kingsmead, parents at Gayhurst and Mandeville should consider his application equally with those from their own school. Kevin will be expected to attend events and meetings at all three schools.

Every family should receive an email with voting instructions once the candidate's information is released on **Friday 26th January** and that is when the voting period starts, and it finishes on **Tuesday 20th February at 5pm** and the votes will be counted by the electronic system to find out who has been elected.

Next week's newsletter will carry this information again and also texts and emails on how to vote will be sent so please keep an eye out for these. If after we have announced that we have sent out voting information you do not receive anything, please contact your school office. As always it is important that you read the weekly school newsletter, that is emailed to all parents on our system, for updates.



AUTISM EDUCATION TRUST TRAINING

Hackney's Family Coach Service have shared some information about upcoming Autism Education Trust Training workshops. This training is open to ALL families who have a child in a Hackney School! This is a completely FREE offer, families just have to send the Family Coach Service an email: familycoach@hackney.gov.uk confirming which of the three sessions they would like to attend to sign up!

Autism Education Trust Training

Are you waiting for assessment or does your child already have an Autism Diagnosis?

Are you curious and would you like to know more about Autism?

"Helping to develop good autism practice"

Parent Autism Education Trust Training

Thursday 8th of February 9:15 - 11:15 am @ Harrington Hill

Tuesday 19th of March 6 - 8 pm @ Online

Friday 19th of April 11:30 - 1:30 pm @ Online

Sign me up!

familycoach@hackney.gov.uk
 Let us know which session you'd like to attend. We look forward to working with you!

HACKNEY LUNAR NEW YEAR 2024

A community celebration of Hackney's East Asian communities and cultures is taking place on **Saturday 27th January between 1 - 4pm**, featuring spectacular performances and family craft workshops from arts organisation, Jun Mo Generation, plus delicious food stalls!

More information can be found [here](#).

Free and suitable for all ages. The event will be at Hackney Bridge, Units 1-28 Echo Lane Building, E Bay Lane, E15 2SJ. [Map](#).





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

CROWN WINNERS

Nursery	79	Year 3	91	EYFS & KS1	Lagan
Reception	87	Year 4	84		98.5%
Year 1	93	Year 5	88	KS2	Fowey
Year 2	118	Year 6	70		100%

TOP ATTENDANCE



GOLDEN AWARDS

Ouse class (Nur) Gourik
Lea class (Rec) Zhavi
Lagan class (Yr 1) Nuzaiaba
Tyne class (Yr 2) Yontan

Severn class (Yr 3) Kahleo
Ness class (Yr 4) Aisha
Fowey class (Yr 5) Oliver
Avon class (Yr 6) Princetina

V&A EAST WORKSHOP

The director of the new V & A East Museum brought in three valuable artefacts to share with year 5 & 6 in a workshop this week. One of the artefacts was a priceless gold necklace encrusted with diamonds, emeralds and rubies from Tamil Nadu! Another was a stainless-steel dog tag made by Kenny Zulu Whitmore, whilst in prison in 2014. The third was a 17th century silver pomander, which was worn around a person's neck filled with sweet smelling resin to deter the plague.

Gabriella said, 'I enjoyed the workshop as all the artefacts were filled with history and beauty'. **Stephanie**, said 'It was exciting to see all the artefacts so closely'.

Tahira added, 'It was very interesting to hear the back story about all of the artefacts.'

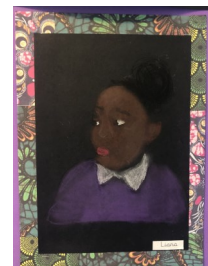
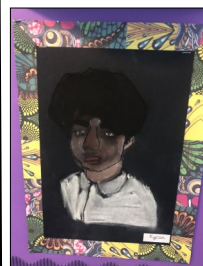
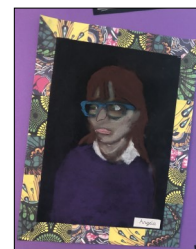


YEAR 4 CLASS ASSEMBLY

For their Year 4 assembly, which took place this week, they decided to showcase a little bit of everything from their learning. The children read some of the poems they had written, inspired by Benjamin Zephaniah's poem called 'Turkin' turtles.' They also showed a live demonstration of what happens to our food when we eat it using everyday household items and ingredients found in the cupboards. They then explained how particles behave in the three states of matter (solid, liquid and gas) through role play. The beautiful self portraits Year 4 have recently done are displayed outside Evelyn's office - do have a closer look next time you are inside the school. They are stunning!



YEAR 4 CLASS ASSEMBLY CONTINUED....



FAMILY GAMES EVENING

After school from 3.30 - 5pm on **Wednesday 31st January** Kingsmead will be hosting its very first **Family Games Evening**. Come along and have fun with your children! Learn how to play a range of board and card games old and new, including Snakes and Ladders, Ludo, Mancala, Dominoes and Uno. There will also be a chance to win a prize with our 'Guess the Amount' in the jar competition. Research has shown that playing board and card games with children greatly helps develop and support their Maths learning and numeracy skills. We look forward to seeing you there for what should be a very enjoyable few hours.



KEY DATES THIS TERM

Wed 24 Jan Year 6 RE assembly 3pm
Wed 31 Jan Family Games evening 3.30 - 5pm
Thurs 1 Feb Coffee Morning: share ideas about HSoF gardens & things you'd like to do there 9 -9.45am
w/c 5 Feb LEAP Creativity Week
Wed 7 Feb Coffee Morning: Supporting children's Mental Health & Wellbeing 9 - 10am +
Nur & Rec assembly - Chinese New Year 3pm
w/c 12 Feb Half term break