



# Cavalry Primary School Weekly newsletter

31st January 2025



- Obstacles and gingerbread
- Informative training for staff

# LEARNING IN ACTION...

Nursery

We are reading The Gingerbread Man. The children explored gingerbread gloop and have been busy making salt dough props for our Gingerbread cafe outside. In the garden the children have particularly enjoyed rolling tyre races and jumping along tyre obstacle courses!







# LEARNING IN ACTION...

Year 5


Our current art topic involves two-point perspective drawings of castles. After sketching out our outlines, we have been carefully layering paint onto the artwork and using different techniques to get paint on the paper (like using paper towels to make clouds!). We are looking forward to finishing them off next week.




This week, in our staff meeting, we were joined by Vik Measuria from Harrison Coley Opticians. He provided incredibly informative and very important training to help us to support our pupils who may have an undetected sight issue. Vik explained that by 2050, it is estimated that 50% of the population will suffer from myopia, or nearsightedness as it is more commonly known. It is estimated that already 25-35% of children experience this. Vik explained the top 5 conditions that affect children's sight, how a child with the condition may present in school and simple ways that we can check their sight if we suspect there is an issue, such as asking them to read a sign across the room with one eye closed. Of course, there is no substitute for taking your child to be

seen by a qualified eye specialist such as Vik and his team. Studies show early intervention can significantly improve academic performance and quality of life for affected children. All children must be having regular visual assessments including binocular vision at a minimum once every 12 months.


Huge thanks to Vik for giving his time and a fabulous training session!



**HARRISON COLEY OPTICIANS, 10A ELWYN RD, MARCH.**




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## Word Wizards:

This week the classes with the most '**words read**' in Y4/5/6 were:

Class - 9

Class - 12

Class - 14



## Have you read...?

Miss Boyd recommends...  
**Lost and Found** by Oliver Jeffers.

It's a lovely story with a very important message that we should never assume how others are feeling!



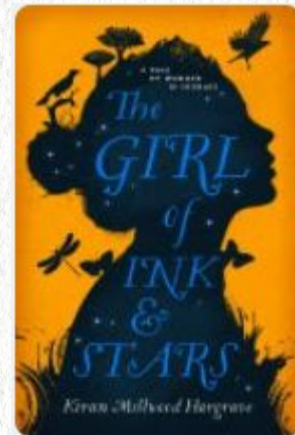
# Phonics!



Fred says 'well done' to Miss Deek's phonics group. This week she was impressed with their use of adjectives in their Big Write! Fabulous effort, well done!

BRILLIANT BOOKS

Mrs Megicks recommends



By Kiran Millwood Hargrave



Brilliant books...



# Attendance matters

We are aiming for 97% attendance.

This week, our classes with the highest attendance are...

KS1 - Class 3 96.79%

KS2 - Class 7 97.42%

**WELL DONE**

## Wales kit offer

Some of our year 5 pupils are off on an adventure to Wales soon. They will be taking part in outdoor activities including abseiling and hill walking.

If you have any outgrown outdoor clothing, including base layers, waterproof coats, walking boots or wellies to fit approx ages 8 - 12, then please send them into school ASAP.

If your child is due to go on the Wales trip then we would like to offer you the opportunity to access any kit we receive for FREE. You will be able to take items you need on Thursday 13th February from 3.15pm until the Key Stage 2 disco at 6.15pm.

## COATS FOR FREE!

If your child needs a new coat we have a selection of good quality, second hand coats for free in our school Reception area. Please just help yourself!



# Key dates and events

**13th Feb** - FREE Wales kit offer  
3.15pm

Valentines Disco KS1 5 - 6pm  
KS2 6.15-7.15

**17th - 21st Feb** - HALF TERM

**24th Feb**-PTFA meeting 5.15pm

**5th March** -

KS1 Books at Bedtime 5-6.pm  
KS2 Books after Dark 6.15-7.15

**7th March** - World Book Day  
dress up day at Cavalry

Thought for the week

"What's your best discovery?" asked the mole.



"That I'm enough as I am," said the boy.



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