



COOPERS LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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CHOCOLATE CAKE



It was lovely to be back in school after a few days away at the Lewisham Head Teachers' conference last week. One of the guest speakers at the conference was the author Michael Rosen and he gave an inspirational talk about writing. I returned to school with three of his wonderful books for our library, which he kindly signed for us. I'm looking forward to reading 'Chocolate Cake' with the children, as it's one of my favourites!

We had a few visitors in school this week. On Wednesday, we had a group of student teachers from Greenwich University visiting our Reception and Year 1 classes to see how our Continuous Provision works. Then on Thursday the school Governors spent the day with us, visiting classes across the school, talking to the children and staff. They gave great feedback about the rich, diverse curriculum on display and how engaged the children were in all areas of the curriculum.

The highlight of the week for me was rehearsing with some of the year 5 children for their production of The Snow Queen. Spending time with the children and seeing how much they enjoy performing is really wonderful.

Have a fantastic weekend.

PERFORMANCE DATES



NURSERY: Carols
5th December @ 9:00am



RECEPTION & YEAR 1: Barmy Bethlehem
Fri 15th, Mon 18th, Tue 19th Dec
@ 9:15am



YEAR 2 & 3: Straw & Order
Wed 6th, Thu 7th, Fri 8th Dec
@ 9:15am



YEAR 4 & 5: The Snow Queen
Tue 12th Dec @ 5:00pm
Wed 13th Dec @ 9:15am & 5:00pm



YEAR 6: Story of Christmas
St Augustine's Church
Thu 14th Dec @ 9:30am



BOOK YOUR TICKETS

Booking is now open for all of our Christmas Shows. Please remember that there is a limit of 2 tickets per family.

You **MUST** have a valid QR code to gain entry to any of the shows. Anyone booking additional tickets will have the additional tickets cancelled.

Please use the links below for all bookings:



NURSERY

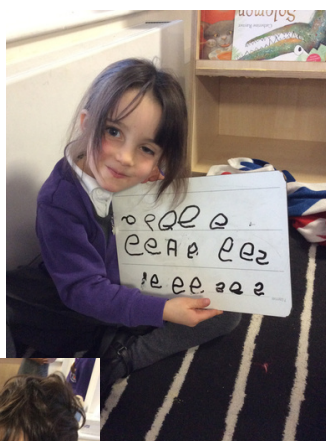
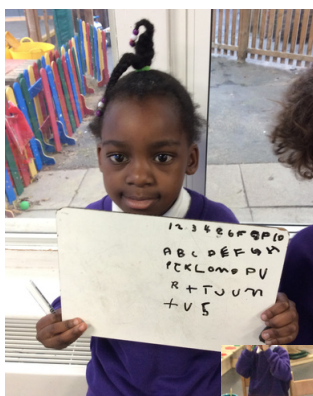
We have had an amazing week in Nursery. We read the story of The Gruffalo. The children have enjoyed making and wearing their Gruffalo headbands. Some children even made some other animals from the story. We would like to say a big thank you to our parents and carers for providing the food for our breakfast week.

The children have had a great time enjoying and tasting scrambled eggs on toast, baked beans on toast, pancakes, Weetabix, porridge and jam and marmalade on toast.



RECEPTION

This week in Reception we have been absolutely loving our numbers and letters! Turayo and Zoe were writing their letters. Theo wrote 100 on the whiteboard. At Forest School we have got our new bench and read lots of lovely stories.



YEAR 1

Year 1 have been working hard to improve their computing skills over the past few weeks. We have been using Chrome Canvas to create pictures linked to our Drawing Club texts and our mini topics. It has helped our fine motor skills too - our fingers and hands have definitely built up their muscles! Amaia loved it so much she continued to practice at home.

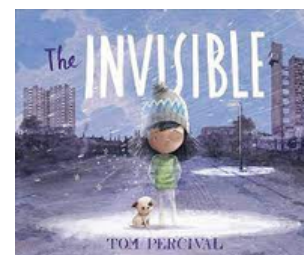
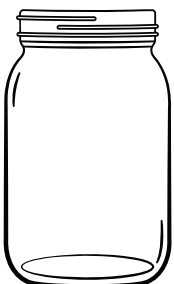


YEAR 2

In Year 2, we have started reading a new book called *The Invisible* by Tom Percival. We have looked at how the emotions changed throughout the story and acted different sections of the story using freeze frame. We also made our own gratitude jars and reflected on all the things in our lives that we are thankful for. In Computing, we are learning how to design and code our own game.

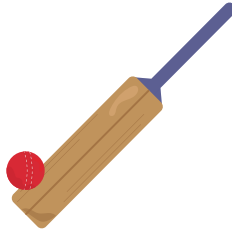


Gratitude



YEAR 3

This week Year 3 have been busy in their Art and PE lessons, finessing their cricket skills with Coach Nick and using a range of skills to complete cave art with Mrs Webb.



YEAR 4

Year 4 have started their learning this week on a most horrendous time in History... the plague! We related this to our History learning all about Charles II and discussed what the world was like all those years ago, ready to create gruesome setting descriptions!



YEAR 5

This week in Year 5, we started making volcanoes in our science lesson. We have heard in the news about the imminent volcanic eruption in Grindavík, Iceland. As this linked well to last half term's geography unit, we thought it would be a great opportunity to recap on our learning. We discussed how volcanic mountains (volcanoes) are formed and decided to make our own. We used recycled bottles, scrap paper, masking tape and newspaper to create the structures you see above. Check back next week to see how they progress.



YEAR 6

This week, Year 6 have been learning about renewable energy. We discussed the difference between renewable and non-renewable energy and why it is important for us to be moving towards using renewable energy as much as possible. Each of us became an expert in one type of renewable energy and made notes about our energy type. Next week we will work in teams to make posters using this information.

