Cavendish Learning Newsletter

Welcome to the first Learning Newsletter of the school year! Take a look at the BRILLIANT learning that has gone on this half term. We are extremely proud of all of our BRILLIANT learners...a huge well done!

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Nursery & Reception

In the Bees and Ladybirds, we have been very busy settling into new routines and exploring our Nursery indoor and outdoor environment. We have been learning how to use, share and tidy the toys and equipment. The Nursery team are encouraging the children to be as independent as possible around the environment and are very pleased with the progress the children are making in this area.

Lots of new friendships are being made and the children are forming lovely relationships with all of the Nursery staff.

One of the most popular places for all classes has been the malleable area. The children have had the opportunity to make playdough and then all sorts of brilliant creations have followed!

The story focus has been 'The Gingerbread Man' and this has enabled the children to really start to use their imaginations and develop their communication and language skills through storytelling, role play and a hunt to finally find the Gingerbread Man!















We are already looking forward to seeing what next half term will bring!

Nursery & Reception

In Butterflies, Grasshoppers and Caterpillars, we have been learning all about autumn. We have been on autumnal walks to spot the signs of autumn. We collected lots of autumn bits to investigate in our investigation area. In design technology, we have been building models with junk! We did research, planning, building and evaluating. We had rockets, cars, castles and lots more! We visited the cooking room and followed a recipe to make gingerbread men, they were delicious! In art, we have been learning all about observational drawings and sketching. This week we have been drawing pumpkins and then using water colours to paint them.







And Caterpillars got ten class compliments so got rewarded with a pyjama movie afternoon!





Year 4

In swimming lessons, the children have shown a huge amount of courage and positivity - many children have had some, or all, of their arm bands removed, which already shows great progress. Those children who were already experienced swimmers have been developed even further by the brilliant coaches at Withington Baths.

The children have really enjoyed our rivers topic in geography, learning about many important features and information about rivers, culminating in our trip to Macclesfield Forest this week (4KE will be going there in November).

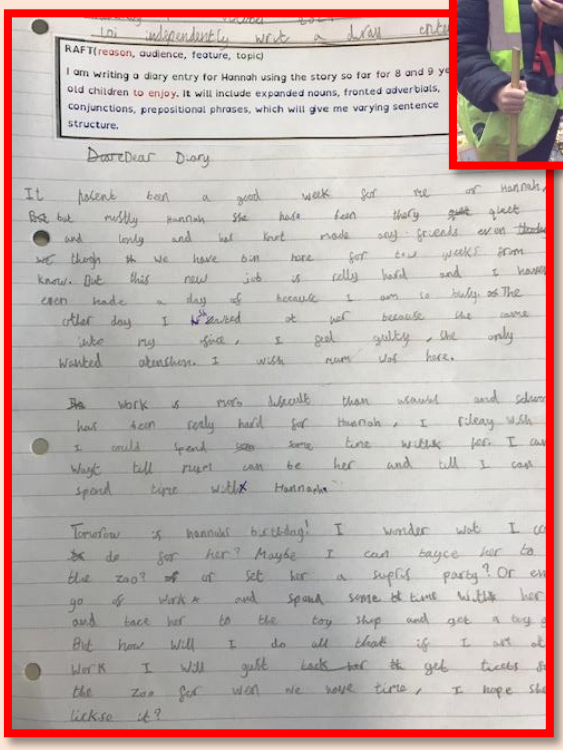
During literacy lessons, the classes have loved our new writing unit based around the book Gorilla by Anthony Browne. The children had some challenging diary entries to create, having to take on the role of different characters from the book, but they've done a fantastic job and showed a responsibility for their own learning.





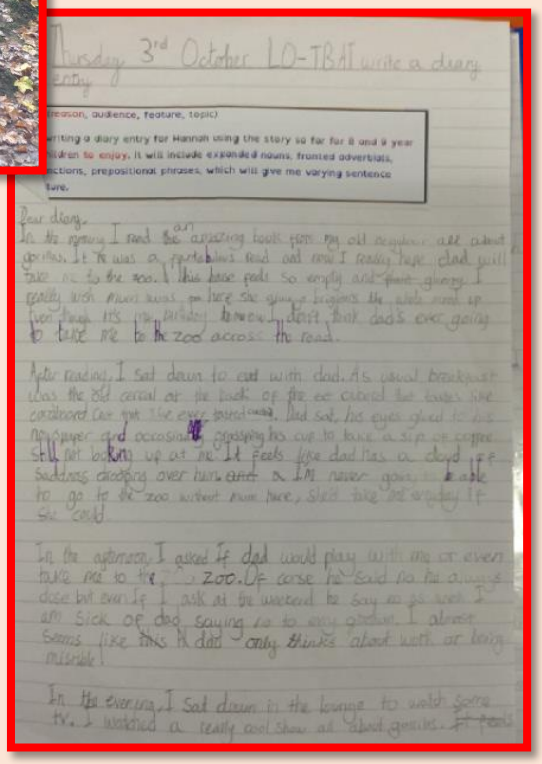





RAFT(reason, audience, feature, topic)

I am writing a diary entry for Hannah using the story so far for for 8 and 9 ye old children to enjoy. It will include expanded nouns, fronted adverbials, conjunctions, prepositional phrases, which will give me varying sentence structure.

Dear Diary


Thursday 3rd October LO-TBAT write a diary entry

Year 6

Y6 had great adventures on their residential trip to RobinWood – all the staff said how they showed such COURAGE and RESPECT. We are super proud of them!

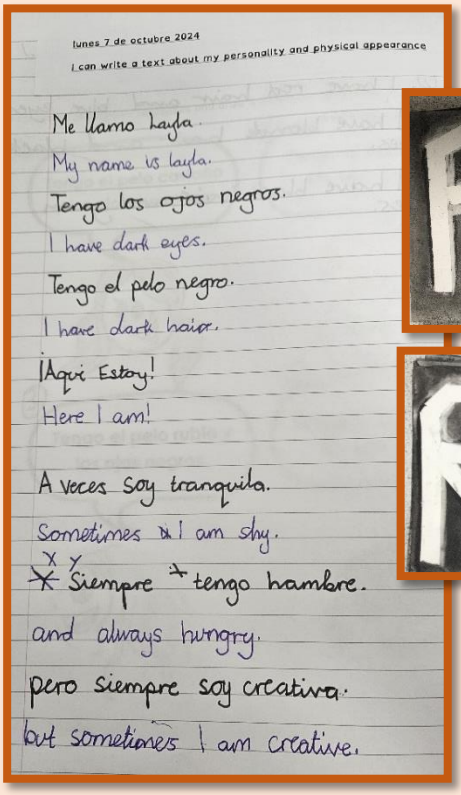








Year 6 have been learning about the circulatory system in science, exploring the heart. In art, we have been making our voices heard and used light and dark to created 3D effects. The children have also been writing raps in Spanish and then translating them.


lunes 7 de octubre 2024

I can write a text about my personality and physical appearance

Me llamo Layla.
My name is Layla.
Tengo los ojos negros.
I have dark eyes.
Tengo el pelo negro.
I have dark hair.
¡Aquí Estoy!
Here I am!

A veces soy tranquila.
Sometimes I am shy.
Siempre tengo hambre.
and always hungry.
pero siempre soy creativa.
but sometimes I am creative.









Year 3

The children have been working extremely hard in maths using apparatus to solve mathematical word problems.

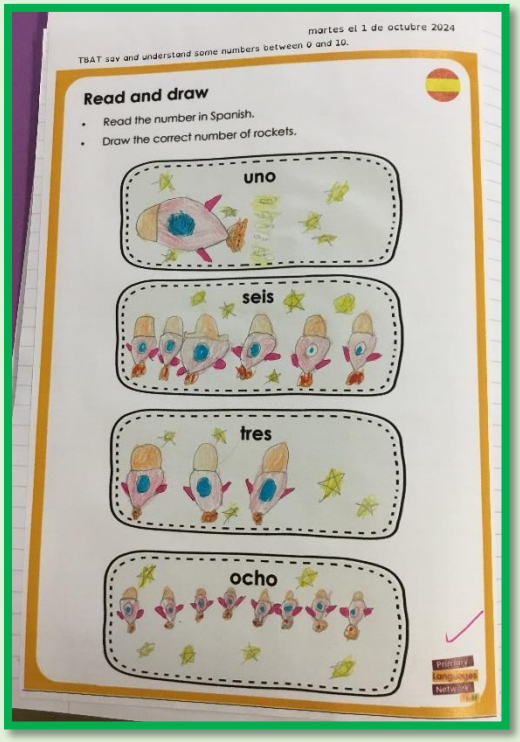






In design technology, our topic has been 'Seasonal Eating'. We have been busy exploring fruits and vegetables from around the word as well discovering which fruits and vegetables grow each season in Britain. The children designed and made their own vegetable tart using produce from a range of seasons grown in the UK.

The children have started their Spanish lessons! They have really enjoyed it so far. They are always very enthusiastic and have had lots of fun learning Spanish greetings and numbers to 10! We are very impressed with their progress.


martes el 1 de octubre 2024

TBAT say and understand some numbers between 0 and 10.

Read and draw

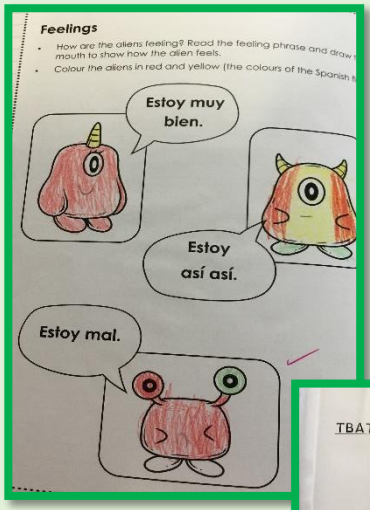
- Read the number in Spanish.
- Draw the correct number of rockets.

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Feelings

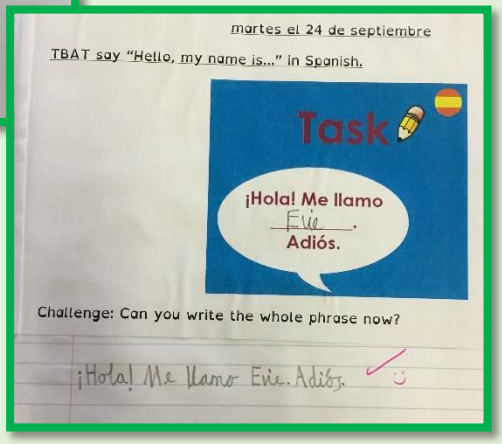
- How are the aliens feeling? Read the feeling phrase and draw mouth to show how the alien feels.
- Colour the aliens in red and yellow (the colours of the Spanish

Estoy muy bien.

Estoy así así.

Estoy mal.




martes el 24 de septiembre

TBAT say "Hello, my name is..." in Spanish.

Task

¡Hola! Me llamo Evie. Adiós.

Challenge: Can you write the whole phrase now?

¡Hola! Me llamo Evie. Adiós.

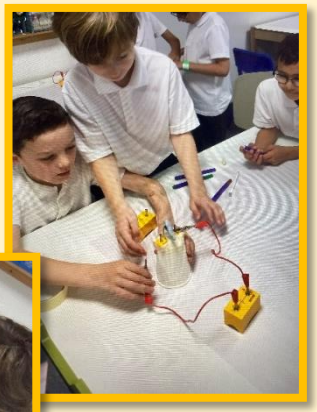
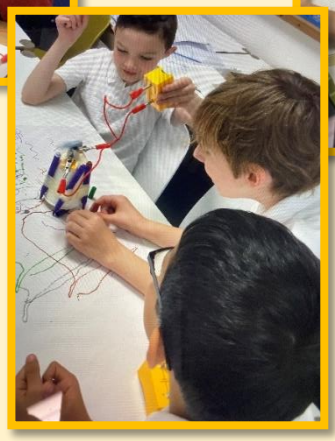
Year 5

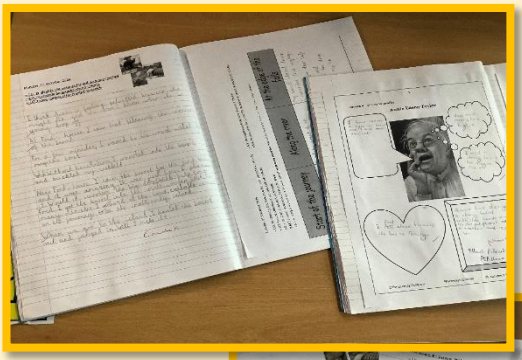
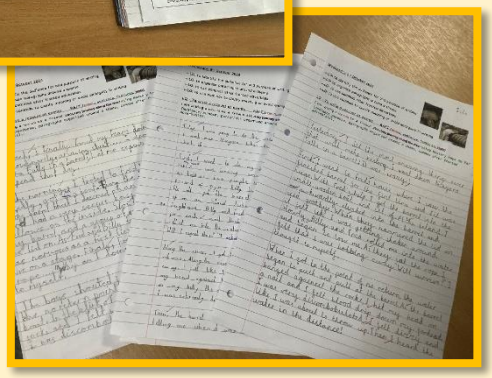
In Year 5 we made 'Doodlers' in design technology! We designed our own doodlers and then investigated the best ways to make one, how to keep it sturdy and how to ensure the circuit ensured the motor spun. The doodlers created patterns on the paper.

In writing, we have been reading the book 'Queen of the Falls' and learning about the daredevil feat of Annie Edson Taylor. We have put ourselves in her shoes and thought about the journey down Niagara Falls. We have written in first person and thought about how fronted adverbials and conjunctions make our writing more interesting for the reader.

In science, we have been investigating air resistance and how to help an egg defeat gravity! We learnt that the larger the parachute, the slower it would fall as there was more surface area for the air resistance to act upon. Some of the smaller parachutes fell so quickly the eggs were smashed, whereas the larger parachutes saved our eggs!




Year 1

This half-term, the children in Year 1 have enjoyed learning, we have been incredibly busy in all lessons. This half term in maths, we have been learning place value and addition and subtraction. The children have been showing their calculations with cubes, part-part whole models, tens frames and bar models.





In science, we have been learning all about our bodies and learning about the 5 different senses and what they all mean. The year 1 scientist explored taste and learned that we can taste 5 main flavours: sweet, sour, bitter, salty, and umami. We have done lots of investigations this half term, including learning all about height and if the oldest person is also the tallest! We have also been outside on a nature walk around the field to find signs of autumn, all the children loved it!



In history, we have been learning about toys over time. The children have looked at toys from the 1950s, 1980s, and 2020s. They have found it very interesting looking at toys in the past compared to the present. They also all got to bring in their favourite toy and tell their classes why it was their favourite.







Year 2

In Year 2 we have had a very busy first half term. In English we have been reading a story called Troll Swap. We have worked hard on writing our own versions using capital letters and full stops. We focussed on punctuation, expanded noun phrases and using conjunctions. We also worked hard on our spelling using the Jungle Club Spelling programme. In maths, we have worked on place value, addition and subtraction and multiplication and division. In art, we made our own concertina books. We illustrated them and added characters. As part of our geography topic, we also went on a trip into Manchester. We looked at the key features of a city and found some important buildings (Town Hall, library, cathedral) as well.





