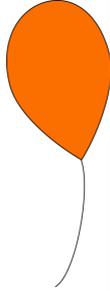
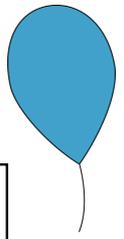


Autumn Term Newsletter



Autumn Term at Evelina Hospital School got off to a flying start in September when we hosted the launch of Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler's new book **Zog and the Flying Doctors**. Having set the tone for a creative and literary term we were then busy in school learning through many cross curricular projects. For more detailed reports and photographs do make sure you keep up to date by regularly visiting our website at www.evelina.southwark.sch.uk

Zog comes to the Evelina!

In partnership with Readathon, a charity which provides books and stories to children in hospitals; children's author Julia Donaldson and illustrator Axel Scheffler launched their new book, **Zog and the Flying Doctors** at the Evelina Hospital



The book launch was celebrated by many, including children, families, staff and Zog himself! The event was full of excitement and laughs as Julia Donaldson and her company of actors performed the story of **Zog and the Flying Doctors**, with some catchy songs. Axel Scheffler drew live for the audience and to wrap it all up everyone received an exclusive signed copy of the book by the duo themselves!

Adinkra printing workshop

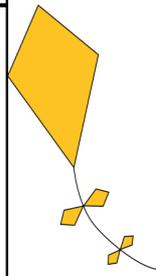
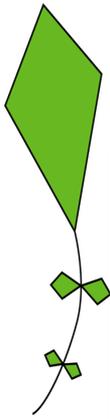
Anna Katama, from Africa Experience UK took us on a journey through the African continent to show us a rich variety of quality fabrics from its different countries. We focused on "talking Fabrics" and Adinkra print symbols. It was an opportunity for the children to express their inner feelings and create symbols for their own Adinkra printing. The children discussed



children's rights, and each chose a symbol that they felt represented something that children are entitled to. After they all got together to produce this amazing blanket.

Author visit by Alan Gibbons

We were lucky enough to have the children's author Alan Gibbons come to the school in November. He is a very prolific writer and has written no less than 63 books for children to date! Alan talked about his love of stories (and football!) to the children in our school rooms and on our wards. He encouraged everyone to enjoy a good book and pick up our pens and keyboards to start to write our own stories. Perhaps there was a budding author who was inspired by Alan that morning...



Science Museum Extravaganza

We have recently been treated to a workshop with a twist—a science twist! Our students had a chance to be involved with a science workshop run by the Science Museum. The children got their hands dirty making colourful slime. We had the chance to learn about different materials. We also learnt about some odd substances that can work as both solids and liquids. These substances are called non-Newtonian substances and their slime is an example of this. The bubble show made us all feel like young kids again. We got to see some pretty huge bubbles and even got to be inside a bubble!



Cartoonist Richy Chandler's visit to the Evelina

We were lucky enough to have a well known cartoonist, Richy Chandler visiting us this term. The children were mesmerised, Richy showed how he started with drawing stick people to capture movement and position and then how he “fleshed it up”. To spur them on the children were given a cartoon strip with 2 frames done for them and they had to use their own ideas for the end. They also had lots of visuals to give them ideas, and of course they could create their own cartoon too. Richy worked in all areas of the school and on all the wards. Every young person was able to create something, even those who felt they couldn't draw!



Child Safety Week

As part of Child Safety Week we were delighted to welcome two community support officers who provided expert advice on keeping safe when out and about. For younger children, the focus was on the practicalities of crossing the road safely, and for secondary pupils there was some good advice about not allowing your mobile technology to stop you from concentrating on the roads.

Advice about keeping children safe when they are online can be found on the website www.thinkuknow.co.uk

Spring Term

Spring Term at Evelina Hospital School looks like being a very busy one. We are planning **International Poetry and Storytelling Days**, involving all our families. Spring Term also has **World Book Day** on 2 March including book-making workshops with author Jane Porter.

Our Science teacher is organising an **Animal Day** for the school and our Art teacher is in talks with the nearby **Hayward Gallery**, keep an eye on our website for more details.

