

Reading is great at Cavendish Close Junior Academy!

It is great to see huge competition between classes each week for our percentages of engagement with **Accelerated Reader** and **Myon** word counts. Classes are battling for the **top spot** each week and we cannot wait to announce the overall winners for this term before we break up for Christmas.

So many children have been working hard to **read at home**, as well as in school, and we'd like to thank everyone for supporting this by signing diaries and helping children to learn their **spellings** each week too.

Children have enjoyed **Reciprocal Reading** sessions in school and have said "I really like the way we do reading now, I learn so much," and "Reciprocal Reading lessons help me to learn more information about my topic." We are very proud of the way children are learning and **remembering new vocabulary** through these lessons too. Well done everyone!

Read, Achieve, Succeed

Children enjoyed a fantastic **Read, Achieve, Succeed** event on 4th November. Everyone looked great in their pyjamas and it was fabulous to see the children enjoying choosing their books, which were **kindly donated** by The Harmony Trust. This is a yearly event, so children will be able to add a book to their home reading bookshelves each year. We were joined by Mr Hughes (Harmony Trust CEO), on screen, for our special Read, Achieve, Succeed **Assembly**, in which all classes did very well on the reading quiz. Here are some reading facts and poems that were shared with everyone.

Books to the Ceiling Arnold Lobel

Books to the ceiling,
Books to the sky,
My piles of books are a
mile high.
How I love them!
How I need them!
I'll have a long beard by
the time I read them.



Read **20 minutes** a
day and you'll read
1,800,000 words
per year.

When children have a
home library, as little as
20 books of their own,
they achieve **3 more years**
of schooling than children
who don't have any
books at home.

Children learn
4,000 to 12,000
words per year
through reading.

READING FOR
6 MINUTES A DAY
REDUCES STRESS
BY 68%.

Open A Book By Jane Baskwill

Open a book
And you will find
People and places of every kind;
Open a book
And you can be
Anything that you want to be;
Open a book
And you can share
Wondrous worlds you find in
there;
Open a book
And I will too
You read to me
And I'll read to you.



Meet one of our Year 3 authors



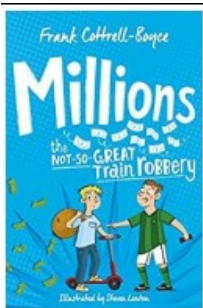
Francesca Simon

Francesca is one of the nation's most popular authors and has written over fifty books for children of all ages. When she is not writing, Francesca is often encouraging and inspiring young writers and has judged many writing competitions for schools. She has also been awarded a Gold Blue Peter badge!

It was reading so many stories to her son Joshua, that encouraged her to start writing children's books and many of Francesca's stories have been inspired by real life situations. One of Francesca's most successful creations has been Horrid Henry, who first appeared in 1994.



Why not try a mystery book? Here are some recommendations...



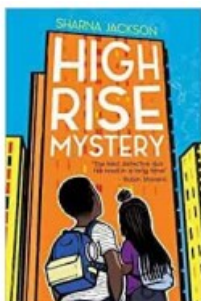
Millions by Frank Cottrell Boyce Aimed at Year 4, 5 & 6

Brothers Damian and Anthony didn't mean to get caught up in a botched train robbery. But what would you do if a massive bag of cash dropped from the sky and you had only a few days to spend it before it became worthless? Buy a million pizzas? End world poverty? Not such an easy decision, is it? The boys soon find out that being rich is a mug's game. Not only is the clock ticking, the bank robbers want their money back . . .



Mr Penguin by Alex T Smith Aimed at Years 3 & 4

Mr Penguin and Colin (a spider and Mr Penguin's silent right hand man) are called in to find the missing treasure somewhere in the Museum of Extraordinary Objects. The quest finds them solving secret codes, fighting ferocious beasts, eating fish finger sandwiches and travelling deep below the museum to a lost jungle...



High Rise Mystery by Sharna Jackson Aimed at Years 5 & 6

The detective duo everyone is dying to meet! Summer in London is hot, the hottest on record, and there's been a murder in The Tri: the high-rise home to resident know-it-alls, Nik and Norva. Who better to solve the case? Armed with curiosity, home-turf knowledge and unlimited time - until the end of the summer holidays anyway. The first whodunnit in a new mystery series by Sharna Jackson.

Children, remember to...

- **Read your reading book(s) 3 times a week** and get your diary signed—make sure you talk about your book with an adult in school or at home—you will move up your chart and be in with a chance of winning a book!
- **Complete an Accelerated Reading Quiz after every book you read**—will your class be the winning class?
- Choose some books to **read on Myon**—will your class win?