

Case Study

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About CENMAC

- We are an education advisory service, providing support, training and assistive technology to pupils with physical disabilities in London schools.
- We have been able to buy some eye gaze devices which we loan for up to two terms, usually because we are not sure whether or not it is the right device or because the pupil is waiting for their own.

About Myzat

- Myzat is 6 years old and is in Year 2 in a mainstream primary school.
- She has Spinal Muscular Atrophy Type 2. She is ventilator dependant.



About Myzat

- She attends Southwark Park Primary School in Bermondsey. This is an inner city school with above average numbers of pupils with English as an additional language, pupils who receive pupil premium funding and pupils with Education, Health and Care Plans.

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- She was assessed by CENMAC in 2016, in Reception (aged 4).
- She was given a switch access computer with Clicker 7 and put on the waiting list for an eye gaze loan.
- The eye gaze was delivered in June 2016.

About Myzat

- She did the best eye gaze assessment I have seen! Just drove up and got on with it.
- As she has speech, she does not qualify for an AAC device.
- Then.....

About Myzat

- I bumped into Daisy from Smartbox!



About Myzat

- Daisy told me about Caitlin who, after raising enough money for her own eye gaze, went on to raise enough for four other people before her death in November 2016.
- I immediately volunteered Myzat.

About Myzat

- Myzat got her eye gaze in December 2016. She is a phenomenal user and is able to do almost all her school work on it.



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About Myzat



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Once upon a time there was a old women and a old man they lif on a farm.
One fine march morning the old man went out sid and plated a smoll carrot
seed.

Late one september evening the man went to chek on the carrot

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Late one september evening the old man went to chek on the carrot. The old
man trid to pull the humugous carrot but he codent pull it out. The carrot was
to heve so the old man needed help he colld the old women. They pulled and
tugged but they codent get it out.

The old man looked arand and sor a pink pot-bellied pig. The pig held on to
the old women the old women held on to the old man and they pulled and
tugged but the carrot didt move.

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The old man looked arand and sor a woole sheep. The sheep held on to the
pink pot- bellied pig the pot- bellied pig held on to the old women the old
women held on to the old man and they pulled and tugged but the but the
carrot coodt cum out .

A fat mouse came and held on to the woole sheep. The woole sheep held on
to the pink pot-belled pig. The pink pot - bellied pig held on to the old
women. The old women held on to the old man and they

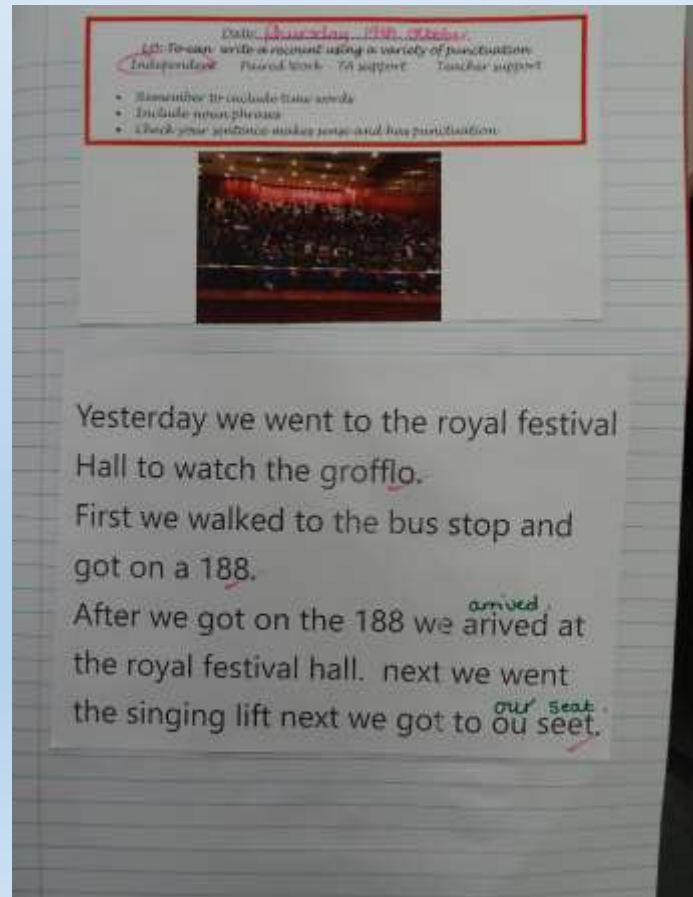
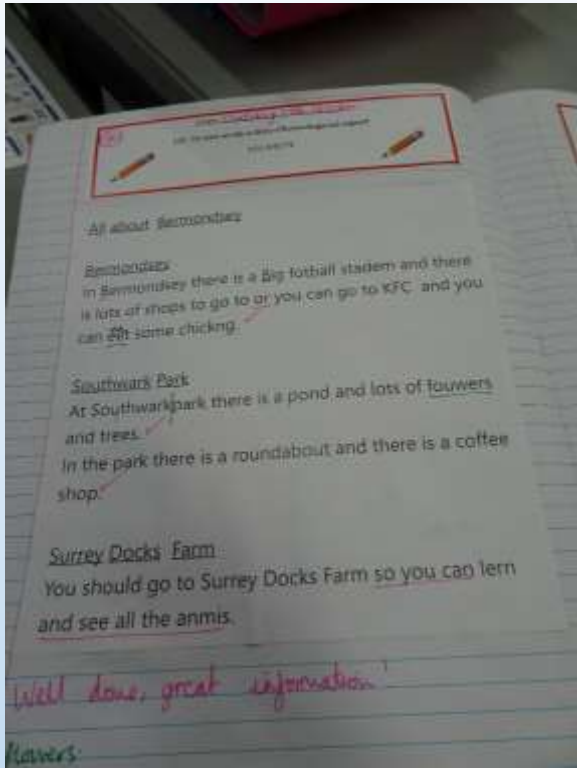
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pulled and tugged pop the carrot came out.

Evrone fell on the gren wet grass and lafd.

That nite the old women made a delous carrot cake and the mouse ate the
most of all

Written on eye gaze
before she was 6.



Written this term.

ELEPHANT AND CASTLE

Prince Harry hands award to young Myzat

By Owen Sheppard

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A LITTLE girl who has coped throughout her short life with a rare spinal disease has been celebrated with an award given to her by Prince Harry.

Five-year-old Myzat Mugomba was last week picked from hundreds of poorly children to receive the 2016 WellChild Award at the Dorchester Hotel.

Though her family live in Peckham, tiny Myzat has spent months of her life in the care of nurses at the Evelina Hospital.

Since birth she has suffered from Spinal Muscular Atrophy type-2 and breathes with the aid of a tra-

cheostomy. Myzat relies on a wheelchair, has little muscle tone, and needs to be ventilated 24 hours a day to maintain her breathing.

Myzat was nominated for the award by her nurse, Laura Duffell, who said: "Every single professional who comes into contact with Myzat is struck by her strength of character and positive attitude.

"I am so proud to know her and to witness how she takes on each challenge that comes her way.

"I hope winning a WellChild Award will help her to understand how very proud we all are of her and her achievements."

Myzat was selected from hundreds of nominees from around the country by a panel of leading health

professionals and others with an interest in children's health and includes children and young people who face serious illness themselves.

With her parents and three older sisters at her side, Myzat was introduced to Prince Harry, who gave a speech at the ceremony.

"The stories we have heard tonight are moving beyond words," Harry said.

"They remind us of the utter insignificance of our everyday worries. Yet, one of the things that always stands out is the positivity shown by those in the most difficult and testing circumstances.

"It is heartening to hear so many stories of happiness and hope, even through the dark times."



Myzat Mugomba and dad Peter with Prince Harry

She's met Prince Harry

Cenmac has given me some independence. I have a computer called an eye gaze. I use my eyes to do all of my school subjects.. My eye gaze has helped me to write sentences and write stories.

I can also go on you tube and watch my favourite barbie videos.

I love to use the camera to take pictures of myself.

Myzat

She has written about us.

Name: Myzat

My achievements this year.

My best piece of work this year...

My best piece of work was my story I wrote about The Ghanaian Goldilocks. I am very proud of myself.



My favourite topic.....

My favourite topic was Africa. I really enjoyed Africa Day. I found out lots about Africa.

My achievements this year....

I feel more confident on my eye gaze. I am getting quicker.



Next year, I am going to try to improve.....

I will try to improve on my homework and reading at home. I will also try to improve on my maths.

And she is able to talk about her achievements at school.
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