

Classroom News



Class Name: Dover

Term : Autumn 1 2023

Topic: Me

What's been going on?

We cannot believe that we are at the end of Autumn Term !! Dover Class have settled into new routines well and have impressed staff with their maturity, enthusiasm, and positive attitudes towards learning.

In English we have been writing recipe instructions and explanations about our teeth and eyes.

In maths, students have been revisiting place value, comparing 2-digit and 3-digit numbers using integers (<,>,<=,>= signs), recalling number facts at increasing speed and learning how to use column addition to assist them with solving more complex calculations.

In our cooking sessions, students have been following simple recipes. They made cheese on toast, sausage rolls, chocolate brownies, flapjacks and pain au chocolat. We definitely have a class full of students with a sweet tooth - the brownies and pain au chocolats were firm favourites.

This term students were given the task of designing a house using Minecraft Education. They needed to be suitable for a human to live in! During the first session, students learned that their designs were not suitable because they had not included a kitchen, bathroom or bedroom! We then discussed what was needed in a house. Students were then provided with their own building plot in 'Dover Town' and were given very strict criteria to meet when building their houses. Students took it in turns to present their house to the class and explain how they had met the strict criteria.

During our topic sessions, students have been using Google Earth and the Visit London virtual tour website to find out more about the city, the famous landmarks and their uses/features. We have also learned about the Great Fire of London by looking closely at artefacts and reading an interactive story where fictional characters share their stories of the fire.

Back in September, students enjoyed a visit from the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra (RPO). The musicians were very good at encouraging students to conduct and sing. Some students 'composed' music by bouncing a ball to and from the conductor in different ways. Others enjoyed jumping on stepping stones to create a memory. It was a very entertaining and inclusive experience.

Have a wonderful half term.

The Dover Team

Some photos of our learning



Dates & Points to remember :

Last day of term: Thursday 19th October
First day back: Monday 30th October
Cinema Trip (Super Mario Bros): Thursday 9th November
Cinema Trip (Paddington): Thursday 16th November
Pantomime (Beauty & the Beast): Wednesday 6th December
Winchester Science Museum: Thursday 14th December