

# Classroom News



**Class Name:** Dover

**Term :** Autumn 1 2022

**Topic:** Explorers

## *What's been going on?*

We cannot believe that we are at the end of Autumn Term 1! Dover Class have settled into new routines well and have impressed staff with their maturity, enthusiasm, and positive attitudes towards learning. The class have really enjoyed getting to know each other and building relationships in the classroom.

In English we have been exploring the story, 'James and the Giant Peach.' We have listened to the story, answered questions about what we have read, retold parts of the story using descriptive sentences, and watched some of the film version.

In maths we have been using number lines to add and subtract 1 and 2-digit numbers. We have also been learning how to solve missing number problems such as  $34 = ? + 27$  and  $38 + ? = 42$ . Students have enjoyed playing team games to practise applying what they have learnt.

During our cooking sessions, students have been following simple recipes. They have made fairy cakes, pancakes, chocolate brownies, fajitas, and toad in the hole. Toad in the hole and chocolate brownies have been firm favourites!

The class has been fortunate enough to have two PE sessions each week. One with Ollie from MNR Coaching and the other with Averil as put of their inclusion with Colchester Class. Students have been learning multi-skills, rugby, and netball.

In their music sessions with Charles, Dover have been learning about music around the world. They particularly enjoyed African drumming! In drama with Anna, they have been miming and creating freeze frames of scenes from The Snowman.

During topic inclusion, students have been learning about exploring and explorers. So far they have explored the school, considered where they would like to explore and what they would pack to take with them when visiting different parts of the world. They have learned about Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong through a range of drama and multi-sensory activities.

Have a wonderful half term.

*The Dover Team*

## *Some photos of our learning*



## *Dates & Points to remember :*

- **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October** – End of half term
- **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November** - Vue Cinema Newbury – Clifford the Big Red Dog
- **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November** – Cineworld Didcot - The Croods 2
- **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November** – Corn Exchange - Jack and the Beanstalk panto
- **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – End of term