

Weekly Learning Reflections



Week Beginning:

Update 20/10

It's been a busy week for Invincible as many of our first units of work draw to a close. In Geography on Monday, we used a Venn diagram to record similarities and differences between Fareham and Innsbruck, thinking not only about human and physical geography but also climate. Having explored the Alps region over the last six weeks we could begin to understand why people sometimes like to move from their origin country to somewhere else, which helped begin our debate topic on whether people should be allowed to do this freely. We have already thought a bit about this while reading the Boy at the Back of the Class this half term, in which children in a London school support a Syrian refugee who has lost his family.

To make our debate on the topic balanced, we also explored why countries have different immigration laws and how people 'qualify' to move countries. Having reflected, we thought a bit about what immigration laws we would have if we ran a country, and how we would prioritise them. The class discussed this quite complex topic well and the debate proved to be informative and interesting, with compassion certainly a key point.

In other lessons, we completed our short unit on addition and subtraction in Maths, as well as the materials unit we have been looking at in Science. Our topic there was evaporation, and so we have set up an experiment to run over half term to see if we can reclaim salt from salt water through natural drying processes. Something to look forward to when we return next week!

This week's class voted Star of the Week is Darcy. She was nominated for being a great friend and someone who is helpful and supportive, as well as showing perseverance in her work. My star this week is Maya, who has shown huge enthusiasm for everything we do and has been a great role model in our quest for excellent presentation.

Each week lots of children are nominated for the class star award, and while there is usually only one winner there are always lots of good reasons why children are nominated. Some of the other nominations this week included Charlie for making his friends laugh; Liberty for 'shining a lot of kindness'; Florence for being kind; Amie for showing determination in her work; Robyn for perfecting her writing; and Dylan T for helping his friends. It's nice to know there are so many highly thought of children in the class, working as a team for the betterment of us all.

Have a great half term break and we'll start again in a week's time.

Mr Self.