

Twizel Classroom News



Term: Spring 1 2026

What we have been doing this term:

Twizel have had a fabulous term in spite of the awful weather!

This term we are doing different activities each morning: on Mondays we have a check in, on Tuesdays we practise our spellings, Wednesdays are for times tables or for number bonds work, Thursdays are for Doodle Maths and on Fridays we catch up with any work missed due to work experience or other activities.

In Mathematics, students preparing for Entry Level 2 and 3 have been working on creating bar charts, using frequency tables, looking at the symmetry of 2D shapes and revising column addition, subtraction and multiplication as well as reviewing long division. Students preparing for Level 1 Maths have been looking at many of the same topics plus fractions, decimals, percentages, measuring angles, pie charts and percentage discount. In English, students taught by Emily have been working on adding extra information to make longer sentences (either by adding description or using connectives).

In our cooking sessions, we have gone back to basics, with students preparing meals that they ought to be able to cook independently at home. They have made some delicious omelettes, pitta bread pizzas and even a fry up. Their last meal of the term will be a stir fry. On the first Monday after half-term, our students will be doing a cookery workshop (more on that in the next newsletter), so we will not be cooking our own lunch.

In PSHE and Wellbeing, students have been exploring the role of emotions in their lives and how they impact our physical health. We have looked at the areas of regulation and begun forming a toolkit of strategies to help us regulate. In Life Skills, students have written thank you letters, sewed on buttons, written proposals and costed trips for next term (to the Newbury Fire Station, Mini-Golf and the cinema).

Talk about Work Experience

Twizel students gave a talk about their work experience to visiting students from Dover class. They talked about their responsibilities, their colleagues and their future plans. We were all so proud of them as speaking in front of an audience is not easy. They were fabulous!



Cricket with Berkshire Cricket

We have had a term of cricket with the wonderful Chris Baker. Ethan, Skylar and Olivia will be competing later this month in a table cricket tournament against other schools from the county. We wish them lots of luck!

Dates & Points to remember:

Last day of term: Friday 13th February
First day back: Monday 23rd February
Last day of term: Friday 27th March

The Twizel Team:
Maryjane, Siân, Ali and Laura.