

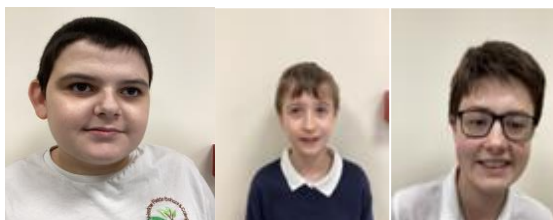
Avon Class

News

We had a great day at the President's Day event in Billericay and, as we go to press, we are looking forward to a visit to the Get To Know Animals Zoo on the last full school day of the year, which we expect will be a great trip, going on the experience of classes who have already been there this half-term.

As we come to the end of the school year it is, typically, a time of goodbyes and Avon is no exception. Cedric (Stort), Tae and Nathaniel (Orwell) will be continuing their learning journey at Harlow Fields in different classes from September – all their classmates in Avon wish them the very best for the future.

September will see several new faces in Avon, and Craig and Jo look forward greatly to giving them a warm welcome in the next academic year.



Literacy and Communication

Every week on Fridays we watch Newsround and topics from the current news and answer comprehension questions afterwards.

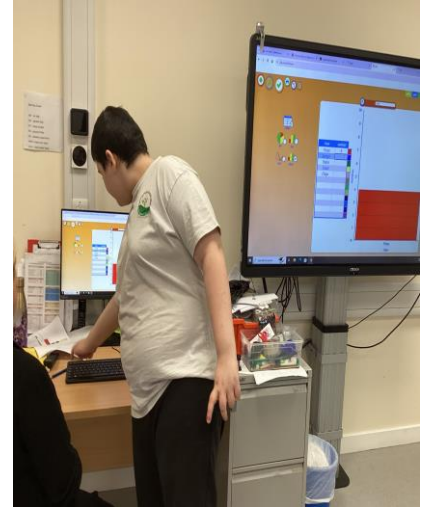
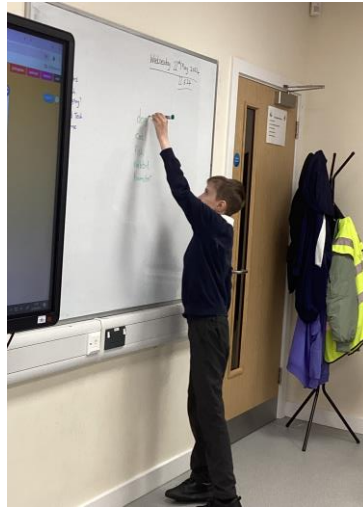
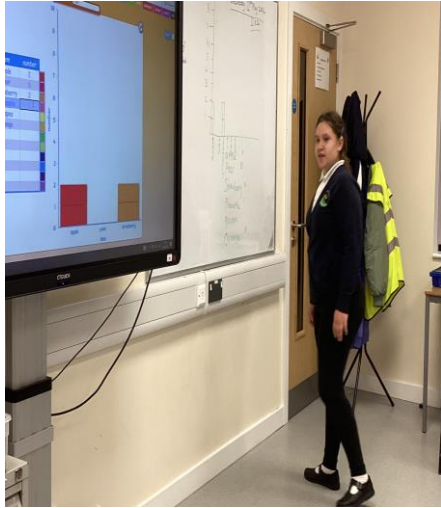
Avon Class have been continuing to learn more about our emotions, self-regulation and how we communicate with others. We acknowledge when we are good friends to one another on our "Wow board" display.

In our PSHE lessons, in addition to developing our emotional awareness, we have learnt about how people and charities help others, and thinking about how we can help others too – whether that's within our families, locally, nationally or internationally.



Maths

This term Avon Class has studied Number through Statistics - making choices and voting, counting quantities within given criteria, creating simple pictograms and tally charts. In Geometry, we have undertaken investigations into shapes – 2D and 3D; how we discern the difference between the two and naming simple polygons. We finished the term looking at money, where we familiarised ourselves with British coins and notes and responded to given problems involving combinations of coins and notes.



Science

In Science we have been learning about magnets and forces. We have had the opportunity to look at and use a range of magnets and test the levels of magnetism in everyday objects in various experiments.

We tested friction and gravity by using a car that climbs up walls, and navigating the car around the classroom emergency exit door to ensure it didn't fall off!

Avon have loved Science as we do lots of fun experiments and activities.



Topic

In **Music** we have learnt about Cartoon Music and Country Music, we have had lots of fun learning about how music is used in cartoons to help tell the stories and develop the characters and scenes. In Country music, we have listened to different singers – from the early pioneers all the way to Taylor Swift.

In **Food Tech** we have continued to become braver, smelling and tasting many things that we have never tried before. We have gone from cheese on toast and pizza to tapas this term. Some foods we now know that we **definitely** do not like (capers aren't high on the "love" list of any student in Avon).

We have looked at different aspects of the Roman Empire. In **Design and Technology** we investigated how the Romans armed themselves and the defensive tactics they used with their armour in battle. In **Humanities**, we compared Celtic Britain with Roman Britain and what life was like in the British Isles in Roman times.

In **R.E.** we have undertaken an investigation of Islam. Avon have considered the place of God (Allah), prayer, charity, fasting and pilgrimage in the life of a Muslim. We have also considered the place of the Qur'an, Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) and the Mosque in the life of a Muslim.



End of Year Message

As I prepare to move to Sixth Form as a form tutor, I would just like to thank my support staff: Deborah, Kelly and Mary. I learnt on them a great deal in my first year at Harlow Fields and they have been instrumental in the successful year all students in Avon have achieved. Their support has been invaluable.

Congratulations to all my amazing Avon students on a truly great year! Your determination, resilience, and hard work have been truly inspiring. I am incredibly proud of each and every one of you. Keep shining and reaching for the stars!