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Friends Select students venture "out to sea" without leaving the classroom



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On March 15, Friends Select middle- and upper school science and biology students used Skype with "Ocean Doctor" Dr. David E. Guggenheim, who was at sea completing the last leg of his 25-day ship expedition from Cape Horn, South America, to the Cape of Good Hope, South Africa. This unique opportunity

Friends Select middle and upper school science and biology students recently participated in a Skype conversation with "Ocean Doctor" Dr. David E. Guggenheim, who was at sea completing the last leg of his 25-day Cape to Cape ship expedition.

for the students to ask questions and interact with Guggenheim during his voyage was facilitated by eleventh grader Ben Behrend, who is Guggenheim's cousin.

Students from Christa sixth grade science class, who are studying the ocean and water, thought the Q-and-A Skype session was fascinating, stating, "It was cool to see him on the computer showing us the ocean and letting us listen to different sea sounds."

Natalie Mayer's eleventh and twelfth grade Advanced Biology class also participated. Before the session, students were asked to study a topic of interest they found on Guggenheim's Web site, www.oceandocor.org/capetocape, and then present it to the class. "The Skype session allowed students the chance to study marine biology with a world-renowned scientific expert," said Mayer.

Throughout the session, students asked Guggenheim questions about his travels and profession, such as what's the most beautiful thing he's seen (penguins), and what inspired him to become a marine biologist (his love for fishing and scuba diving as a boy). Guggenheim returns to the U.S. on March 25.