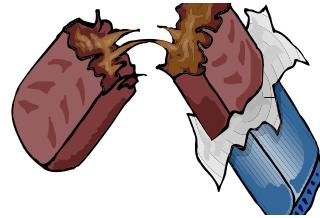


Year 3 & 4 Spring Term

Chocolate!



English

This term we will be reading and analysing a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry linked to our 'Chocolate' topic. The children will be using them to plan, compose and edit their own writing. This will include recipes, adverts and stories set in imaginary worlds. We will also be reading and performing poems in preparation for the Poetry Speech Festival. The children will work on developing their understanding of the grammatical structure of sentences and focus on increasing the range of punctuation they apply in their writing, including speech marks,

Geography/History

We will learn about the history of chocolate and find out where chocolate comes from and how it is made. We will learn about the journey from 'Bean to Bar'. We will find out who first made chocolate, discover where cocoa beans are grown and why specific climates are required. We will be using maps, atlases, globes and digital and computer mapping to locate these countries and describe their physical features. We will be communicating our understanding in different ways including maps and IT.

Year 3 Maths

We will continue to work on the place value of each digit in a 3-digit number up to 1000. We will further develop efficient mental methods for addition and subtraction and learn how to record our workings out using formal written methods. We will continue to learn and practice the 3, 4 and 8 times tables in order to apply them in problem-solving. We will also focus this term on fractions. We will learn how to recognise and count up and down in tenths, learn how to recognise, find and write fractions of a set of objects, as well as recognise and use fractions as numbers. We will add and subtract fractions with the same denominator and compare and order unit fractions.

Narrative

Our cross-curricular topic this term is 'Chocolate'. Our curriculum highlight will be designing, making and marketing our very own chocolate bars. Alongside this, we will be exploring a range of texts to inspire our creative writing including Roald Dahl's 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' and poems like 'Chocolate' by

Science

This term our focus in Science is 'States of Matter'. We will be using a range of practical experiments to explore solids, liquids and gases. The children will be developing their questioning skills and applying their scientific knowledge in different contexts. There will be opportunities for the children to explore the processes of heating and cooling, make careful observations during different experiments and record their results in tables

Music

We will compose and perform jingles for marketing our own chocolate bars using our voices and a range of percussion. Year 3 will continue their music lessons with Mr Draycott

Art and DT

We will be learning about Impressionism and the life and work of the great French artist Claude Monet, focusing on painting techniques for landscapes.

Computing

We will review the different ways children can ensure they are safe when they are online and how they can report any concerns. We will learn how to use search technologies effectively in order to select relevant information about our topic. We will then learn how to present this

PSHE / RE

Our values for this term are 'Peace' and 'Creativity'. We will encourage discussion and reflection around these themes in assemblies and in our class reflection areas. In RE we will be focusing on Hindu beliefs about God and on the significance of the coming of the Holy Spirit

PE

PE this term will be aerobics and then country dancing. Games will be taught by either Mr Pickett or the class teacher and will include tag-rugby and hockey.

MFL - French

This term we will be learning new vocabulary through stories. Year 3 will be learning and performing a French adaptation of 'The Enormous Turnip', and Year 4 will write an alternative version in French of 'The Very Hungry