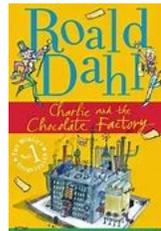


Year Two Newsletter

Happy New Year and welcome back to the Spring Term. We hope you have had a restful break. We are looking forward to a busy, fun term where we will be finding out all about our home city of Birmingham and the wonderful world of chocolate. On Wednesday 26th February we will be visiting Cadbury World. More information will follow soon.

English

This term we will be finding out all about Birmingham. We will be looking at landmarks, famous people and special events that have occurred in our city. Our English work will be building on the skills we have been learning during the Autumn term. We will be describing, fact finding, story writing, persuading and advertisement writing. After half term we will be visiting Cadbury World and writing an account of our visit. We will also be reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl and creating our own chocolate adventures.



Mathematics

Children will be building on their mental maths skills, knowing rapid recall of number bonds to 10, 20 and 100. They will also be building on their knowledge of 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables. This term we will also be looking at geometry and fractions.

Art

In Art children will be exploring Birmingham landmarks. We will be looking at how buildings differ in style and comparing old and new. Children will then have the opportunity to create their own replica of a famous Birmingham landmark using a range of materials.



Science

We will be investigating which type of chocolate melts the quickest dark, milk or white. We will also be thinking about the importance for humans of exercise and eating the right amounts different types of food. We will also be having Science and Technology week which will begin on March 9th.



History

In History we will be finding out about the Cadbury family and how they influenced the local area of Bournville. We will be thinking about how the Cadbury family and their influence fit in History.



Geography



We will begin by finding out about the city of Birmingham. We will be finding out about the difference between a city, a town and a village.

We will be exploring maps and planning routes. Children will be finding out about different modes of transport in Birmingham and planning their journey to Cadbury World.

After our trip to Cadbury World we will be locating where in the world the main ingredient of chocolate comes from and finding out what 'Fairtrade' means. We will also be making a comparison of life in Ghana compared with life here in England.

Computing

In computing we will be using technology to be researches and photographers.

RE

In RE children will be looking at what makes them similar and different to each other. We will be asking the question how can we create unity and harmony.

Music

Children will be creating advertising jingles to promote their chocolate bar. They will be using instruments and performing to an audience.

PSHE

Children will be thinking about their part within the community that they live. We will also be considering the rights of a child and how the lives of children in other countries differ to theirs.

The week beginning the 9th March will be Science and Technology week. More information about this week will follow shortly.

PE

This term PE continues to be with Chris on a Wednesday afternoon and a Thursday morning. We will be doing gymnastics and tennis.

Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate in speaking to your child's class teacher if you have any questions or concerns.