



Year 5 Autumn Term 2021

Where does Chocolate
come from?



As geographers we will start by investigating where chocolate comes from. We will then look at Brazil in more detail and we will find out about the Amazon Rainforest. We will explore the climate and wildlife, and understand the key aspects of the Rainforest Biome. We will learn about the distribution of world resources and the impact of Fairtrade on the region.

As historians we will be finding out about the great Maya Civilization.

As artists and designers we will be using a range of media to create art inspired by the Rainforest. We will innovate recipes for chocolate truffles; we will design packaging and advertisements and evaluate the success of all parts of the project.

English

As a class we will be reading and discussing 'Journey to the River Sea' by Eva Ibbotson and 'Cloud Tea Monkeys' by Mal Peet & Elspeth Graham. In addition, Roald Dahl's 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' will be used in Science. We will also explore some descriptive poetry.

To develop non-fiction skills the children will be exploring and creating persuasive and information texts on the themes of chocolate and the rainforest.

Children will continue to practise and consolidate their understanding of accurate spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Maths

Children will be taught key aspects of :

- Place value
- Calculation using all four operations
- Fractions and decimals and percentages
- Time
- Reasoning
- Measurement
- Properties of shape, position and direction.
- Problem solving

R.E.

We will be learning about the Islamic faith, its practices and ways of life and comparing this particularly with the Christian faith. We will consider how beliefs and attitudes to 'God' act as a guide through life in both religions.

PE and Sport

Children will develop and practise their skills in team games such as football and netball as well as focussing on self –improvement in the areas of overall fitness and stamina.

Science

Children will be learning about Materials through the story of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. We will consider reversible and irreversible changes including mixing, dissolving and burning. We will compare everyday materials on the basis of their properties and find ways to separate mixtures.

Music

Children will learn about rhythm and co-ordinating beats through Samba percussion. They will play untuned percussion instruments using them to compose, improvise and read some notes.

French

We will learn vocabulary and phrases to explain about ourselves; - what we look like, how we are feeling and what we will do when we grow up.

Computing

Children will continue to code with increasing levels of sophistication and will research more effectively.

Well-being and Enrichment

We will share ideas of how to support each other when times are hard. We will explore gratitude, kindness, patience and optimism. We will investigate our school values of hope, respect and perseverance.

As a class we will focus on taking collective responsibility for each other and our outcomes.

We will encourage a 'growth mindset' in all areas of life.

We will visit the Living Rainforest and attend a London theatre