

# Farnborough Primary School

TERM TWO — YEAR THREE



## Topic– Chocolate

Our theme this term is 'Chocolate'. Geography, History, Art and DT skills will be covered using this theme. Some Science and English skills will also be covered.

We will be learning where cacao trees are found and the factors affecting the growth of cacao trees. We will be learning about cash crops. Also we will be finding out about the manufacturing and production of chocolate, who first discovered chocolate and who took the first chocolate to Europe. We will be learning about the importance of cocoa beans for trade, the ingredients in chocolate, if chocolate causes tooth decay, why chocolate wrappers are made from special material and what the melting point of chocolate is. In addition we will be making our own chocolate and designing a wrapper for our chocolate bar. We will also be learning what fair trade chocolate is, what other fair trade products there are and how important chocolate is.



## Dates for your diary:

- Thursday 25th January: E-Safety Workshop for parents
- Tuesday 30th January: Maths Workshop for parents
- Thursday 1st February: Jack and the Beanstalk (in school)
- Monday 12th - Friday 16th February: Half Term
- Wednesday 7th March: Parent's Evening
- Thursday 8th March: Parent's Evening
- Thursday 22nd March: Vista Class Photograph
- Thursday 29th March: End of Spring Term

We look forward to inviting you to our own chocolate factory!







FAIRTRADE

## Reading

Children will read independently on a daily basis. They will also read once a week during guided reading sessions. Follow up activities, comprehension and spelling based tasks will also occur weekly.

## Role Play and Speaking and Listening

Children will be rehearsing and performing their own poems. They will be evaluating their own poems and those of others.

English	Mathematics	Science	Computing
<p>As <b>writers</b>, we will look at a variety of genres, analysing their key features and writing our own versions. We will write diary entries, recounts and stories. We will also look at how to write instructions, explanations, newspaper articles and poems.</p> <p>The key skills we will be focussing on are: use of paragraphs, use of fronted adverbials, conjunctions, adverbs and using exciting language.</p>	<p>As <b>mathematicians</b>, we will practise addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Our times table focus will be on the 3, 4 and 8 times tables and we will continue to consolidate our knowledge of the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We will develop our knowledge of fractions, measure, time, shape and statistics (graphs). Problem solving activities will be running throughout all of these concepts. We will continue to have weekly times table tests.</p>	<p>As <b>Scientists</b>, we will focus on two different topics this term. In the first half of the term, we are learning about teeth and healthy eating. We will be learning about the different food groups and how digestion works. We will be looking at the different types of teeth we have and comparing them to animal teeth. Our second topic is magnets. We will be learning about how forces are pushes and pulls, how friction is a force that slows objects down and sort materials and objects into magnetic and non-magnetic.</p>	<p>As <b>programmers</b>, we will be looking at combining text and graphics in a variety of programs. We will be learning how to search for pictures on the Internet, and editing the position of these to make our work attractive. We will learn about editing text in a variety of ways.</p>
Music	PSHE	RE	PE
<p>As <b>musicians</b>, we will be continuing to learn djembe drumming with Mr Hughes.</p> 	<p>As <b>members of our community</b>, we will be considering dreams and goals. We will discuss how to stay motivated when doing something challenging and how to have a positive attitude.</p>	<p>As good citizens will be finding out about different beliefs and religions and their key values. We will be learning about why Easter is an important time for Christians.</p>	<p>As <b>athletes</b> we will be developing our gymnastics and dance skills and choreographing routines individually and in small groups. We will be developing our ball skills through playing basketball and hockey. Could you please ensure PE kit is in school everyday and that all items are clearly labelled.</p>
Support at Home			
<p>It would be fantastic if you could continue to support your child with daily reading, learning number bonds/multiplication tables. Reading books can be found in our class and school library. Board games involving counting and spellings are a fun way to support your child's understanding. Measuring and weighing objects is a fun way to engage the children in learning about units of measurements in Maths.</p>			