

Farnborough Primary School

TERM ONE— 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.

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



FAIRTRADE

Dates for your diary:

Monday 2nd September - Children return to school

Tuesday 17th September 2:30 pm – Meet the Teacher

Monday 30th September - Individual School Photographs

Wednesday 16th October 3:30 - 7:00 pm – Parents' evening

Thursday 17th October 3:30 - 6:00 pm – Parents' evening

Monday 21st - Friday 25th October – Half Term

Monday 28th October - children return to school

Monday 16th December – Elf Day


Thursday 19th December – End of Term

Reading

Children will read independently on a daily basis. They will also read 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 writers, 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, non-chronological reports, newspaper articles and poems. The key skills we will be focussing on are: use of paragraphs, using exciting language and editing.</p>	<p>As mathematicians, we will practise addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Our times table focus will be on the 3 and 4 tables and we will continue to consolidate 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We will develop our knowledge of fractions, measure, time, shape and statistics (graphs). Problem solving and reasoning activities will be running throughout all of these concepts. We will continue to have weekly times table tests.</p>	<p>As Scientists, we will be looking at teeth and healthy eating. We will be learning about different food groups and digestion. We will be looking at different types of teeth and their functions and investigating the affect of different materials on teeth.</p>	<p>As programmers, 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. We will be using the internet for research.</p>
Music	PSHE	RE	PE
<p>As musicians, we will be learning different songs and focusing on changing the tempo and pitch.</p> 	<p>As members of our community, we will be considering our similarities and differences. We will also be setting ourselves goals and how our role in the community is important.</p>	<p>As good citizens will be finding out about different beliefs and religions and their key values. We will be learning about the festival of Harvest and Christmas.</p>	<p>As athletes 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 tennis 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>	