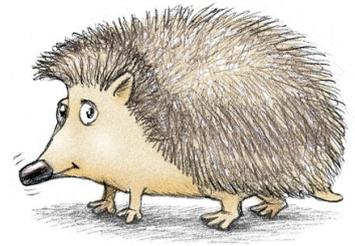


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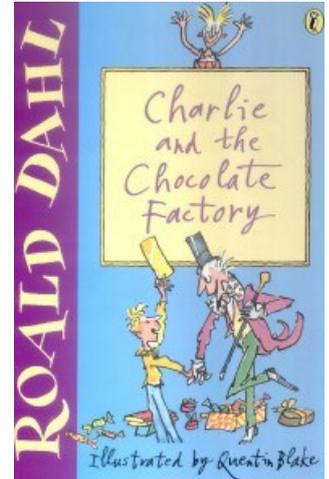


Happy New Year! I hope you all had a fantastic Christmas and enjoyed the festive break. Can I take this opportunity to thank you for all the lovely cards and gifts I received before Christmas, they were very much appreciated!

Our topic this half term is 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'.

Literacy

As Writers we will be . . . exploring a simplified version of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'. Children will predict what they think will happen in the story, explore the plot of the story through role play and discussions and compare the different characters. They will aim to plan and write their own complete story based on this story. We will also investigate and record the key features of explanation texts and how to organise stages in a process using conjunctions. After our trip to Cadbury World children will construct a pictorial flow chart showing how chocolate is made. Children will then aim to write their own explanation text explaining the process of how chocolate is made .



Numeracy

As Mathematicians we will be . . .

- Adding and subtracting using methods previously taught. Year 2's will move onto using column addition and subtraction. Children will use these strategies to solve real life word problems.
- Developing our knowledge of written multiplication and division methods. This will help with the rapid recall of multiplication and division facts.
- Doubling numbers
- Halving shapes and amounts
- Finding different fractions (halves, quarters, thirds) of different amounts and shapes
- Exploring equivalent fractions

We will continue to apply our learnt skills to problem solving and reasoning activities on a weekly basis.

Science

As Scientists we will be . . . exploring healthy eating and living and also carrying out a range of investigations. This will allow the children to develop their scientific skills in fair tests.

ICT

As computer scientists we will be . . . developing our typing skills to produce a piece of writing on the new laptops we have purchased. We will develop our skills on how to save and edit a piece of work whilst doing this. We will also use the internet to research Chocolate and Bourneville We will continually make sure we are using technology safely and respectfully.

Topic

As designers we will be . . . exploring the artist Sarah Graham and designing our own chocolate and wrapper.

As historians we will be . . . exploring the history of Bourneville.

As artists we will be . . . completing various art work for our Charlie and the Chocolate Factory display.

PE

As sportsmen and sportswomen we will be . . . developing our co-ordination and agility skills through dance lessons with an experienced dance teacher on a Thursday afternoon. Children will need their usual PE kit in school every day and could you please ensure it is clearly labelled. Earrings need to be removed on Thursdays for PE lessons please.

Music

As musicians we will be . . . exploring pitch using both our voices and instruments.

PSHE

This half term we will be exploring the values of Friendship and Respect.

MFL

Children will have a weekly French lesson with Mrs Roche. They will be comparing fairy stories in French and English.

Homework

The children will take home their reading books, Maths target boxes and records every day and are encouraged to read and practise their Maths targets regularly at home. We would ask you to comment in their reading and Maths records when they have read to you or practised their Maths target. They will have weekly spellings to learn which will be checked on Fridays. Homework will be given out every Thursday and handed in the following Monday. It is the children's responsibility to take their homework and spellings out of their folder and to put them into the appropriate tray in the classroom each week to be marked. The children are able to change their individual reading book every morning as they come into school and Maths targets will be checked on a regularly basis.

RE

In our RE lessons, children will explore the unit 'Salvation'. By the end of the unit children will recognise that Incarnation and Salvation are part of a 'big story' of the bible. Children will be able to tell stories of Holy Week and Easter from the Bible and recognise a link with the idea of salvation. Children will also recognise that Jesus gives instructions about how to behave.

If you have any queries please feel free to discuss them with me after school.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Manlove

