

Year 2, Terms 4-5 CHOCOLATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a good week. Our topic for the next two terms will have a 'Chocolate' theme, but we are starting by growing plants and looking at how to keep healthy.

During the next five weeks we will :-

- Observe how seeds and bulbs grow into plants.
- Find out what plants need to grow and stay healthy.
- Learn what constitutes a balanced diet.
- Learn about the importance of eating fruit and vegetables.
- Draw fruit and vegetables using a range of media.
- Investigate where our food comes from.
- Plan and make a fruit-based dessert.
- Begin to look at chocolate through writing poetry.
- Discover what chocolate is and what it is made of.
- Use map work to find out where cacao is produced.



We will then explore geographical and historical themes around chocolate after Easter. Guided Reading will focus on comprehension skills and you can help at home by reading and discussing a range of texts including factual books. Our class reader will be 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'. English will continue to focus on the use of conjunctions such as 'but', 'so', 'when' and 'because', together with proof reading to check punctuation and spelling.



The final week of term will be Christ Church STEM week, during which we will be involved in activities related to Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

Multiplication Tables

Thank you for all your support in helping the children to count in 10s, 2s and 5s. They have made good progress already and will now be learning to chant those tables in order. Any help you can give at home will be greatly appreciated. We check progress each Friday.

Counting sets of 2p, 5p and 10p pieces is a useful way for your child to learn tables while also counting coins.



Reading and Spelling

We have a weekly plan to ensure the children read on a regular basis, so we will be expecting your child to bring his/her reading book and blue log book into school **every day**.

All spelling books are due in every Thursday, as this is the day when we check their progress. Thank you for your support.

Dates

2nd March – Year 2 Cake Day

16th March – Rabbits Class Collective Worship