

Maths: We will continue working through our last few lessons on subtraction, then we will move our focus to length and perimeter. In this topic we will look at kilometres, perimeter on a grid, perimeter of a rectangle and of rectilinear shapes. After this, we will start on Multiplication and Division. We will learn about multiplying and dividing by 0, 1, 10 and 100. The Year 4 times tables to practise at the moment are 6, 7 and 9. We encourage the children to practise their times tables every week to be prepared for the Multiplication Tables Check in June (where all the times tables will be tested). It is important for the children to understand the relationship between multiplication and division.

English: Currently, we are looking at the book Gregory Cool. This book will cover text types such as fact files, poetry, instructions, character descriptions, narratives, diary entry and a biography. The grammar concepts we will look at within these lessons are relative clauses and fronted adverbials. The children should really focus on using correct punctuation when writing at home: () “ ” , . ‘ ’ They should also be able to use a possessive apostrophe correctly.

R.E: The first unit this half term is called ‘What are The Beatitudes and What Do They Mean For Christians?’. This unit teaches where The Beatitudes came from and what they are. It provides opportunities for the children to reflect about their own beliefs and perspectives on life. The next unit is called ‘Is peace the most important message at Christmas?’. This unit explores peace by finding out how we find peace within ourselves, what the Bible tells us about peace and how the Church lives out its message of peace at Christmas.

P.E: We will continue our Multiskills units this half term, before moving onto gymnastics. Due to timetable changes, Westminster’s PE lessons will now be on a Wednesday. We are happy for your child to take their PE kit home each week to be washed, or you can take it home each half term if you prefer.

How you can help at home: Encourage your child to edit their own writing. Going back through and checking for punctuation and capital letters, and also adding in words to make it even better.



Millbrook Park CE Primary School

Curriculum Overview

Year 4 Autumn Term 2

Chocolate



What's The Big Idea?

Wouldn't it be amazing if chocolate grew on trees? Well, it does! Wouldn't it be amazing if I said we were going to make some chocolate? Well, we are! And we're going to discover even more amazing things about chocolate...

As scientists we will be learning:

- About the ingredients in chocolate
- If chocolate causes tooth decay
- Why chocolate wrappers are made from special materials
- What the melting point of chocolate is

As technicians we will be learning:

- How to make chocolate
- What we can add to chocolate

In Geography we will be learning:

- Where cacao trees are found
- About the factors affecting the growth of cacao trees
- About other cash crops

As Historians we will be learning:

- Who first discovered chocolate
- Who took the first chocolate to Europe
- About the importance of cocoa beans for trade

As Artists we will be learning:

- How to design a wrapper for our chocolate bar

As International citizens we will be learning:

- What fair trade chocolate is
- What other fair trade products there are
- How important chocolate is