

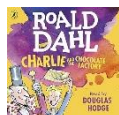
Year 2 Newsletter



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Autumn Term

English



This term we will write;

- A Character Description (Willy Wonka)
- A setting description (Sweet Room)
- A set of instructions (How to make a chocolate bar)
- Diary (Florence Nightengale)
- Narrative (The Very Hungry Caterpillar)
- Poetry (Linked to Christmas)

Maths



We will start the Autumn Term with a Place Value unit. The children will learn about numbers to 100, exploring how many tens and ones each number has, allowing them to order and compare numbers correctly. After that, we will move onto Addition and Subtraction and will then explore 2D and 3D shapes. Throughout the term we will begin to learn our 2s, 5s and 10s.

Science

Spring 1 – Uses of Materials. We will learn about a variety of different materials and their properties. We will also do experiments to see which materials are best to cushion an egg.

Spring 2 – Keeping Healthy. We will explore the 'Eat Well Plate' and what contributes towards a healthy lifestyle.



Wider Curriculum

History – Our topic is The life of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. We will explore the important events that led to key changes in healthcare.

Geography - Our topic is Jamaica. We will learn about what it is like to live in Jamaica and make comparisons to our local area.

PSHE – We will be learning our feelings, settling into a new class and the differences between bullying and teasing.

RE - Our Key Questions is: Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time? We will be exploring some Christian stories relating to this.

Music - We will explore beat and pitch linking to music from around the world.

Art – We will explore Jamaican Art and the artist Brendan Hoyes. We will look at primary colours and how we use those to make different tones of secondary colours.

DT – This half term we will design and make our own chocolate bars!



PE

In PE, we will be working on our footwork and balancing skills. PE will be on a Wednesday, and children are to come to school in their PE kit.

How can you help at home?

Reading – please promote reading as much as possible by engaging with the book your child brings home and other books they may enjoy. This can be them reading to you, or you reading to them.

Times Tables – Revise times tables. Our favourite game is Hit the Button, which can be found on Top Marks. There are also some great games on Purple Mash.

[Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds](#)

[Purple Mash by 2Simple](#)

Dojo – please engage with dojo. The children love seeing when parents have liked and commented on posts.



Key Dates

Monday 14th September- Individual Photos

Monday 28th September (all week) – Harvest Collection

Friday 9th October – Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day

Thursday 15th October – Autumn Term Discos

Friday 16th October – Show Racism the Red Card