



# Year 4 Newsletter



Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017

## Mmmmmm Chocolate!

We have already been eating the delicious home learning some children have brought it - but please don't worry, we have also been discussing the importance of healthy eating and looking at nutritional information on packaging! Amongst other things, we have been finding out how and where chocolate is grown and manufactured. We have learnt all about tropical climates and have compared countries such as Peru, Ghana and The Ivory Coast.

We will also investigate why chocolate melts and what happens when it changes temperature. We are really enjoying this topic! Next week we are all being Willy Wonka and creating our own scrumdiddlyumptious chocolates, complete with packaging! As part of our story time we have been reading Roald Dahl's classic - 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' which has provided a rich context for our own writing.

## Maths

Over the last few weeks the children have been learning about subtraction of money amounts and using addition as a method of checking their work. Next week we are starting to learn about weight (this will help when we are measuring ingredients for our chocolate recipes!) Speed tables, speed addition and Reach for the Stars continue - keep practising those times tables and addition facts. Some children are already on their silver medal! Well done!

## English

The children have completed their learning about adventure stories. The hot task was a fantastic chance for the children to show off all of their learning, including speech, action and ambitious vocabulary. We also wrote non-chronological reports, with children writing their own report about chocolate. Over the rest of term they will be persuasive writers, describing and selling their chocolate creations!

## **Class assembly**

Lilac class are looking forward to welcoming their families to their class assembly on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30pm in the Large Hall.

## **Swimming**

The children will continue their swimming lessons at Mote Park all through Term 4. The children are working hard to achieve badges and are growing in water confidence - we are very proud of all of them.

## **TLCs**

We are looking forward to sharing the children's learning with you all the week after next.  
Lime Class: Monday/Wednesday and Lilac Class: Tuesday/Thursday

*The year 4 team would like to thank you for your continued support and your children's hard work.*

*Mrs Birtchnell, Mrs Hyder, Ms Bromley, Mrs James and Mrs Rogers.*