Science

Thursday 28th January 2021

WALT: Observe a change in state

S2S: I can

- Plan a fair test
- Identify when a change is happening
- Measure temperature
- Discuss findings

Key Learning

- Melting is a change of state from solid to liquid. Freezing is a change of state from liquid to solid.
- The temperature a liquid freezes at is called its freezing point. The freezing point of water is 0°C.
- Different substances have different freezing points.

Talk or think about these questions:

- Can you name some substances that melt easily?
- What does 'melting point' mean?





What are freezing and melting?

Melting is a change of state. A solid material is heated and becomes a liquid.

- Ice melts at zero degrees Celsius (0°C). This is the melting point.
- Chocolate melts at about 30°C.
- Iron melts at about 1500°C!



Freezing is also a change of state. A liquid is cooled down and changes to a solid.



Investigation: Do different types of chocolate melt in the same way?

- For this experiment you will need 1 piece of three different types of chocolate, I suggest milk, white and dark. You will also need a bowl, some hot water (make sure an adult is with you), stopwatch and a thermometer (if you have one!)
- Make your prediction which type of chocolate do you think will melt the quickest? Why?
- Choose the piece of chocolate that you are going to start with.
- Carefully place it into bowl so that it floats on the surface of the hot water and start your timer.
- Time how long it takes for the chocolate to start melting.
- Once you can see a change of state happening, record the temperature of the water (if you don't have a thermometer don't worry about this).
- Complete for the 2 remaining pieces.
- Top tip: when you move on to the next piece of chocolate, change the water but make sure that you are starting with the same amount and at the same temperature.
- Record your results.
- What did you find out? You can send your teacher a written message or a video message through dojo to tell them!