



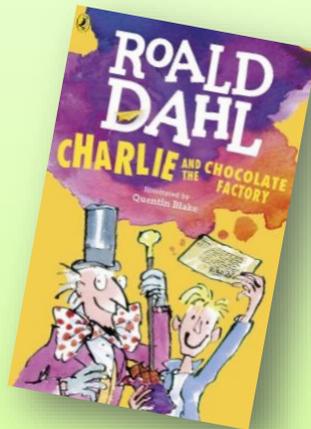
What is my child learning next half term?

Literacy

The children will focus on spelling common words correctly and learning spelling patterns. During handwriting sessions, they will work on joined up handwriting with consistent letter size.

The children will be using our Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory topic to inspire their writing. They will explore the different characters and their traits. The focus will be on accurate sentence construction.

You could help your child by sharing the story 'Charlie and The Chocolate Factory' by Roald Dahl. If there is a rainy day in the holiday you could even watch the movies – there are two versions to this story, why not watch them both and discuss the similarities and differences?



Role Play Area

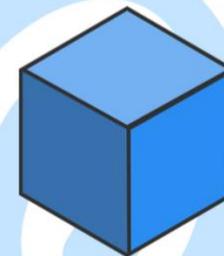
The role play area will be Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory. The children will dress as Charlie Bucket, Willy Wonka and the Oompa Loompas. They will re-enact the story and carry out chocolate factory tasks.

Maths

The children will be continuing to work with Numicon. They will focus on Calculation, both addition and subtraction, and the recording of these calculations. They will use this knowledge to solve 'real life' number problems. They will further their understanding of 2 digit numbers and order these on a number line.

In Geometry, the children will revise their knowledge of 2d and 3d shapes and will be encouraged to use the terms 'sides', 'edges', 'vertices' (corners) and 'faces'. You could support your child by helping them to notice the different shapes in your home and using this vocabulary when talking about them.

Cube



- Cubes have:
- 6 faces
 - 12 edges
 - 8 vertices
 - All edges are the **same**.

RE and Collective Worship

The children will build on their learning from Year 1 as they dig deeper into the question 'Why does Christmas matter to Christians?'. They will consider the visit made by the Wise Men and how their three gifts showed that Jesus was a King – even though he only looked like a baby. They will also explore the idea of 'giving', thinking about God's gift of Jesus to the world and how Christians try to give to others who are in need.

Science

Next half term's focus will be 'Shaping Materials'. In this module the children will be introduced to different ways of changing the shapes of objects made from different materials. They will identify materials that can be changed by the actions of squashing, bending, twisting and stretching, and link these actions with the properties of the materials that allow them to be changed. Key vocabulary for this topic will be 'flexible', 'rigid', 'stretchy', 'squashy', 'elastic' and 'stiff'. It would be helpful if you could emphasize this vocabulary at home too.

PSHE

The PSHE topic is 'Keeping Safe and Managing Risk'. The children will be looking at potential hazards and dangers in the home e.g. sharp objects. They will learn who to call in an emergency, 999. They will also discuss how they can stay safe when they are playing outside; look at road safety and how to be safe on the pavement.

DT

The focus for next half term is making chocolate bars. The children will 'taste-test' a range of chocolate bars, then design and make their own bar of chocolate. They will evaluate existing chocolate bar wrappers then design and produce their own.

You could discuss the different packaging used for chocolate bars and confectionary – what attracts you to buy a certain product? What font, colours are used? etc.



PE (Physical Education)

In PE, the children will be continuing their focus of Gymnastics. 2K will enjoy the specialist teaching from the Hunslet Club and 2C will build on their skills they learned this half term.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. We hope you will find the information helpful. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

If you have any comments or suggestions for future newsletters please let me know.

*Thanks again,
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