



Blackford Biweekly



This term our topic is 'Chocolate' We will be exploring chocolate in all of our subjects.

Reception



This week we have been very busy!

We made chocolate foot print

biscuits for the whole class after we read 'The Chocolate Shoes' story.

In Maths Makes Sense we have been counting pennies and playing dominoes. Next week, we will be writing numerals, counting objects and using positional language.

In Read Write Inc we have been working on recognising the letter sounds 'g' and 'o' and using those sounds to Fred talk different words. Next week we will be learning 'c', 'k' and 'u'

Years 1 & 2

This week in SPAG, we have been recapping letter names and looking at plural and singular nouns.

In Maths Makes Sense, we have been focusing on working independently. Year 1s have been acting out maths stories using addition. We have introduced 'I love what you are doing let's do the same thing lots of times' (x). Year 2s have started to look at vertical addition and multiplication stories.

We had a special visitor who worked with us for the afternoon. We listened to



stories and completed different activities linked to about road safety.

FS/KS1 whole-class

In Music, we made beautiful rain tunes with instruments. We videoed the outcome so next week we will be listening to our tunes.

In Science, we have been exploring different types of paper and we have tried to make our own paper! We are going to be learning about how to do investigations and how to make a fair test. We investigated which type of paper would make the best aeroplane.

During this Autumn term our topic is 'Chocolate'. In History we will be learning about the Maya and creating our own chocolates in D&T.

Years 3 & 4 Year 3 and 4 have had a busy week this week. In English, we have been learning how to write persuasively. We have been trying to persuade people to visit Mr Willy Wonka's chocolate factory. Next week, we are going to try to put it all together into our very own persuasive leaflet!



In Maths, we have been learning how to add and subtract 2 and 3 digit numbers. Some of us have been using vertical addition and 'carrying' to add while others have been drawing diagrams to help us. When subtracting, we have been learning about how we can count on from the smaller number to find the difference. Next week, we will be looking at symmetry and identifying, describing and sorting different 2D shapes.

Years 5 & 6

This week in English, we have been writing more of our 'warning' story. We have been practising punctuation of dialogue, use of adverbs and choosing better verbs. After each section, we have been reviewing and editing to improve our final version. Next week, we will be finishing off the story and practising using relative clauses in our sentences.

In maths, everyone is becoming much more confident with column subtraction and 'exchanging' digits. We have worked in the context of money and heights of different camps on Everest. We have also been using the inverse operation (addition) to check the answers to our subtractions. Next week, we will work on: 2D and 3D shapes; their properties; sorting them in different ways. This will include a focus on different quadrilaterals.

KS 2 whole-class In science this week, we have been finding out about the constellations and our star signs. We made constellation viewers and constellation pictures. We will be researching the planets in the solar system next week and seeing if we can find life on Mars! In Art, our chocolate wrapper designs have been coming on well; our next step is to paint our designs. In topic, we have created our own Maya gods and drawn Maya homes. We will be finding out about their food and fashion in the coming weeks.

