



# Year 2 - Spring Term 2nd Half Newsletter

Our topic for this half term is called 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.'

## Literacy

We will be reading 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' by Roald Dahl.

During our Literacy lessons we will be developing our skills in writing riddles and descriptive poetry based on the story.

**Ideas to support our Literacy work at home:** Practise writing descriptive sentences with capital letters and full stops. Read other Roald Dahl books together. Practise writing stories and riddles, and remember to bring them in to show us!

**Spelling, grammar and punctuation** - We will be revising contracted words such as I'm, didn't and he'll and beginning to learn about using apostrophes for possession (e.g. Murphy's ball). We will continue to practice correctly adding a range of different suffixes such as "ed" and "ing".

**Focus spellings for this half term:**

**Year 2:** people, sugar, whole, every, everybody, kind, find, mind, told, even,

**Year 1:** you, your, they, by, my, here, there, where

**Reading** - In our Guided Reading sessions we will focus on a range of reading and comprehension skills through different types of text. We will also be preparing the children for their end of key stage (NST) reading paper.

## Maths

During our Maths lessons we will be covering;

- Capacity and mass
- Money, including how to work out change
- Addition and subtraction using place value and written methods to solve problems involving measurement.
- Finding the difference between two numbers
- Recapping the properties of 2D and 3D shapes

**Ideas to support our Maths work at home:** Counting objects in twos, threes, fives or tens, learning 2,3,5, and 10 times tables, practise number bonds to 20 and 100, identifying and handling coins. Completing the MyMaths homework regularly.

## Science and ICT

In our science lessons we will be learning about materials and their properties. We will apply what we learn about different materials to help us in a mini-science project!

In ICT lessons we will be applying our literacy and maths skills.

## Geography/History

We will find out when chocolate was first invented and use maps of the world to find out where chocolate comes from.

## Art and DT

As we are reading about Willy Wonka's chocolate factory, in art we will work on creating our own pictures in the style of Quentin Blake. In DT we will design and make a 3D chocolate bar out of felt.

## P.E

During this half term we will still have **outside P.E on a Monday afternoon** and indoor P.E. will be on a **Thursday afternoon**. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear in school.

In outdoor Games, we will be developing our ball game skills. In indoor PE we will be doing gymnastics.

## R.E

During this half term we will be learning about Islam and the Easter story.

Many thanks,

The Year Two team