

## ENGLISH

In Year 2 English this term, students will focus on writing instructions and narrative texts. They will begin by learning how to write clear, step-by-step instructions through the process of making a chocolate milkshake, before creating and writing their own unique recipes to make at the end of the unit. Students will then explore *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, analysing characters, settings and key story elements. Building on this, they will use their imagination to plan and write their own creative stories.

## TOPIC

This term in Topic, we will be revisiting the seven continents and oceans as well as learning about different climates around the world. Children will locate and name the Northern and Southern Hemisphere and the Equator. We will use globes and atlases to look at different areas of the world and their climates. The children will use this knowledge to discover the journey of chocolate, learning about

## THE JOURNEY OF CHOCOLATE TERM 1A

## SOCIAL STUDIES – CHANGING?



## MATHS

In Mathematics, we will be focusing on Place Value, Addition and Subtraction. The children will learn what each digit represents within a two-digit number and represent numbers using dienes, numicon and pictorial methods. We will look at part whole models and how to add and subtract numbers up to 100. We will learn a variety of methods to solve these and will discuss a range of reasoning style

### **PERFORMING ARTS**

In music, pupils will be exploring the key musical concepts of beat and rhythm. They will have the opportunity to use a variety of percussion instruments, including the boomwhackers, to develop their understanding through hands-on activities. As part of their learning, children will begin to read simple musical notation and rhythms, gradually building confidence in recognising and performing different rhythmic patterns. They will also be introduced to the notes of the C scale and will learn to play simple songs in C Major using the boomwhackers. In addition, pupils will have the opportunity to compose their own rhythms and will perform them using the percussion instruments.

### **FOREST SCHOOL**

This half-term, our Forest School topic is Nature Explorers. Children will begin by learning how to stay safe and respect the forest environment. They will explore what plants need to grow, take part in planting activities, and learn how to care for the earth by reducing waste. We'll discover where chocolate comes from, link it to the cocoa plant, and create natural clay bowls. Children will also be introduced to basic knots and use them with purpose. To finish, they'll become nature detectives, observing, identifying, and describing the plants and creatures that live in our environment.

### **SCIENCE**

This term, we are going to build on our knowledge of 'Animals including Humans! We will be learning about how animals have offspring that can look like them or look completely different! We will take a look at the life cycle of three animals. Next, we will focus on how to keep our bodies healthy through a healthy, balanced diet and exercise. We will conduct an investigation to see which exercise impacts on our heart rate the most.