



AVANTI COURT

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Dear Families, this term as part of our International Primary Curriculum (IPC) we will be studying the unit 'Chocolate' We be exploring the history of chocolate, including ancient civilizations such as the Mayans. The children will be reading Charlie & The Chocolate Factory in English and an exciting visit to The Chocolate Museum awaits our children.

Homework:

We hand out homework every Friday, to be returned to the class teacher by the following Wednesday.

Children will receive a spelling list and Maths homework. There will also be a home learning project this term.

**Year 3
Spring 2
(2016-2017)
Topic:
Chocolate**



Our value this term is:

Integrity

Our Educational Visit:

This term, we have two exciting visits booked. One is a workshop at The Chocolate Museum and the other is a visit to a local synagogue.

Physical Education (PE) and Yoga:

We have PE every Thursday and Yoga is on a Monday. Please make sure your child has the correct PE kit as shown on our school website and that all kit is clearly labeled.

English:

This term, we are studying Charlie & The Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl. We will be writing some character description, narrative with an alternative ending. To help your child at home, you could:

Read regularly with and to your child including a selection of adventure stories and non-fiction books. E.g. Newspapers and websites are a good source of information.

A reading record will be sent home daily with your child's reading book. Please listen to your child read on a daily basis for at least fifteen minutes.

Encourage your child to practise their handwriting.

Science:

In Science this term the children will learn about different parts of the flowering plants and their requirements for healthy growth. They will also learn about how objects move on different surfaces and their properties, as well as magnetism. The children will learn investigative skills by carrying out investigations which are cross curricular to make it exciting.

In order for your child to get the best out of the topics, you could:

Discuss what a plant needs to survive. Perhaps take the children to forests/woods to observe plants in different stages of growth. Encourage your children to observe different materials around them, their uses and properties.

Computing:

The computing topic for this term is: i-Programming and iAlgorithms. We will continue using sequences, selection and repetition and sorting and splitting. We will also be using a programming software called Scratch. You may choose to download this on your home computer as it is free to install. It can be found at

https://scratch.mit.edu/scratch_1.4/

Philosophy, Religious and Ethics (PRE):

In PRE this term children will learn about Krishna's Avatars. Pupils will begin to explore the nature of god in the material world, and learn about the difference between the spiritual and material worlds.

Pupils will also develop an understanding of the importance and value of charitable acts.

Maths:

There are key facts that are essential for your child to know. In order to support your child with the acquisition of these, you could:

Support your child to learn the multiplication facts so that they can recall them rapidly. Ask quick fire questions e.g. 10×9 , 5×12 etc.

In Year 3 children are growing in confidence using their multiplication and division facts for 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 10 times tables. They should practise these regularly and understand the inverse relation with division e.g.

$4 \times 5 = 20$ so $20 \div 5 = 4$.