

Fir Bank Primary  
School



Curriculum  
Overview  
White Class  
Spring , 2017  
Our topic is:  
Chocolate (The  
Maya)

What will we be  
learning this  
term

English

Our class novel for this term is 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' by Roald Dahl. Selected Non-Fiction texts linked to our Topic will also be studied.

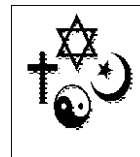
These texts will be used in the teaching of a variety of strategies to develop the children's writing of a selection of Fiction and Non-Fiction texts

The children will further develop their reading skills of retrieval, inference/ prediction and the ability to discuss the author's choice of language.

Spelling and handwriting practise will be taught daily. Children will be tested on spellings each Friday.

RE

This term the children will learn about Sikh stories and whether they are relevant in a modern world We will also learn about Christianity. The children will learn about Easter and the consequences of the events of Holy Week.



Maths

Children will learn:

- Number, place value and fractions
- Mental and Formal Written methods for calculations
- Measurement and Geometry
- Statistics
- Use all four operations to solve problems involving measure.

The children will also have weekly mental arithmetic testing.



ICT-E safety

Children will learn about E-Safety, effective and valid research. They will also learn basic coding skills.



Science

In Science in Spring 1 we will looking at Earth and Space.

In Spring 2 the children will learn about Forces.



### **Art and DT**

*This term children will:*

- Design, make and evaluate masks, using clay, inspired by the Mayan Topic.
- In Art the children will be studying landscapes inspired by Hockney and using their sketchbooks to collect, record, and review



### **History and Geography**

#### The Mayas

The children will learn about the ancient civilization of the Mayans, including lifestyle and key beliefs. Offer historical opinions as to why the Mayans disappeared. Use map skills to locate cities and countries of the world. Identify lines of latitude and longitude.

They will compare geographical features (human and physical) of Mexico and UK- inc climate/ size land use

**Rivers focus-** Locate rivers around the world.- countries and continents and key

### **PSHE**

*Children will be looking at:*

The themes of Freedom, Right and Wrong, Responsibility and Respect.

These will be discussed in P4C (Philosophy for children)



Fir Bank primary school is a school where everybody matters

Success is:

- Safe and Secure develops an Open mind
- Is Motivated and Smiles

### Homework

Each week your child will be set a piece of Homework.

This shall be sent home on a **Tuesday** and the hand-in date will be on the following **Monday**.

**Reading books** are changed **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**.

Please attempt to hear your child read as often as possible to help them progress in this area of their learning.

### PE

Your child will be expected to participate in two PE sessions per week. Could you please ensure that they have the correct kit in school all week as sessions may change due to hall demands, weather etc.

In the very unlikely circumstance that your child is unable to take part in their PE lesson, then a written note is required.



### FRENCH

**Topic** On the way to school

Children will revise numbers to 30 and greetings. They will also learn how to say the alphabet, give directions for places in the locality.

### Contact Details

Should you have a query, or need to contact school, please use the details below.

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*The primary points of contact for Fir Bank Primary School are Mrs Millar and Mrs Bunting.*