

# Weekly Curriculum News



#### **INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

Please note that there will be no CCAs next week, due to Project Week and staff being away. There will also be a change to Year 4 PE next week. The students will have a double PE lesson on Monday.

As the cold weather is approaching please make sure children are wearing the correct school uniform and have a warm coat and shoes.

Wednesday, 4th November - Year 4 Exit Point Trip to Zotter Chocolate Museum
Friday 6th November - School photo orders early-bird deadline (please order online using instructions on letter)
Saturday 7th November, 6-9pm - Bonfire Night
Thursday 12th November, 9am - Juniors Coffee Morning

Tuesday 17th November; 9am to 11am and then repeated from 5pm to 7pm - Assessment Workshops for Parents



### **ENGLISH**

In English we will be continuing at looking at preparing poems with a focus on reading aloud and performance. One of the poems that we will be working on is 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright. They will be adopting features of this poem to shape their own poetry writing. Through peer and self assessment they will be suggesting improvements to grammar and vocabulary as well as proofreading work for spelling and punctuation errors. Other things that we will be focusing on is the use of extended noun phrases, including prepositions and also discussing words and phrases which capture the reader's interest. We will also continue to reference back to the class novel of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'.



## **MATHEMATICS**

In Mathematics, our focus for next week will be Money. Students will be learning how to calculate in pounds and pence, dollars and cents as well as RMB. The focus will be on being able to solve word problems in a practical setting using money. An understanding of decimals will be necessary for understanding these sorts of problems.

At the mastery level, pupils will be working on solving problems such as 'What combination of teas and coffees could I buy to cost £5 exactly if tea costs 80p and coffee costs £1?' and extending their understanding through solving these types of problems.



## **TOPIC**

Next week marks the end of our topic on Chocolate and we will be going on an Exit Point trip to 'Zotter Chocolate Museum' in downtown Shanghai. An Exit Point is an event that will incorporate all the learning that students have been doing throughout this unit. Students will be able to draw on all their learning from the unit, reminding them of all the connections between subjects that they have made, and creating time and opportunity to build their understanding of their learning. The Zotter Chocolate Museum is an excellent opportunity for this to happen as it shows students the whole process of producing chocolate - from where it is farmed, how it is refined and produced to make a chocolate bar. It also touches on Fair Trade as it believes that its Cocoa beans should be sourced from a location which treats Cocoa farmers equitably. On top of this students will get to taste the many different types of chocolate that Zotter produces.

Throughout the week students will also be learning as Designers and Artists as they design their own chocolate bar wrapper based on the different flavours that they decide to incorporate into their own bar. I am sure that they will be inspired by their trip to Zotter Chocolate Factory!