

Years 3 and 4 Spring Term – Chocolate

This term we have been busy finding out about the history of chocolate. We have researched where chocolate originates from, how it has evolved over time including global distribution, how the product is made and where the raw products come from. This includes trade links and exploring the difference between fair and unfair trade.

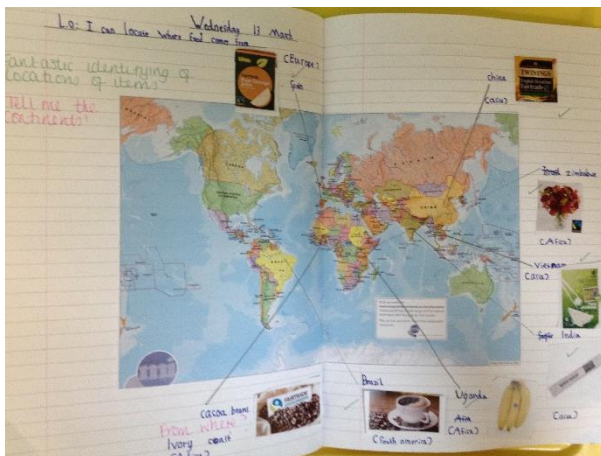
We were lucky enough to be able to visit Ilfracombe for a local trip to the Cholcoate Emporium. The children were highly engaged at seeing raw products, the physical process of making chocolate and how it is made from bean to bar in the shop ready to be sold. The children also enjoyed the museum and best of all chocolate tasting!



Within writing we focused on Roald Dahl's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory narrative where we created our own chapter with an imaginary room, in the style of the author. In addition to this text we have also written persuasive letters to Mr Wonka to persuade him to produce our chocolate bar, a diary for a day in the life of a fair trade worker and an explanation text about the process of making chocolate.

We have explored inspire education to help with the teaching of chocolate in topic which has included information about the Mayans to support history.

We have produced timelines of the development of chocolate and looked at unfair trade prices. We then explored where the raw products come from, the conditions of the workers and how the products are transported globally.



We have enjoyed creating artwork based on images of plantations, Aztec hieroglyphics and recycled packaging.

Within maths we are continuing to use white rose planning alongside our own arithmetic starters. We have developed secure knowledge in the 4 operations and are developing problem solving. The times tables challenge of weekly testing has raised the

profile of multiplication and there is a clear benefit of this.