



St Brigid's
PRIMARY SCHOOL, BALLYMONEY

Curriculum Newsletter P6 Term II

Food Glorious Food



Our World Around Us [WAU] theme for Term 2 is Food Glorious Food
This study will include.....



Geography

The children will investigate a range of commonly available foods grown in Ireland and abroad. They will examine factors affecting their production including climate, economics and education. This will involve mapping where these foods come from (eg. rice, coffee, tea, sugar). and the processes involved in bringing the food from field to plate. The children will explore the range of people who participate in this process and the process of 'Fairtrade'.

Science

Children will carry out a range of investigations related to food. Eg: testing the density of certain liquids, creating chemical reactions using food ingredients, making homemade butter, separating egg whites from yolks using air pressure etc. We will also be examining healthy eating habits and how to establish a balanced diet. Pupils will learn about Food Chains in nature and how the delicate balance of one species can be affected by the removal or decrease of another.

Technology

Children will have opportunities to design and create their own food packaging. They will examine how advertising and food packaging can influence our shopping habits. The children will use their food product to create a short advertisement.

Art and Design

We will look at the work of a number of artists who have painted or drawn pictures of food and copy their styles. (Eg. Cezanne, Floris Van Dyke). Children will have opportunities to design food nutrition posters.

Religion

As part of Catholic Schools' Week the children will focus on the theme 'Catholic Schools: Communities of Service'. They will talk about their family and friends how we can spread love to those around us. The children will also learn about the stories and traditions associated with St. Brigid's Day.

What else is happening in the curriculum?

ICT

Children will produce posters related to WAU advertising nutritious food groups and look at the power of advertising through food packaging and television adverts. The children will use 'coding' to create an animation based on the topic of 'FOOD'.

Maths

In Number the children will work on long multiplication, fractions (simplifying & ordering fractions), decimals and percentages this term. They will explore shape including the area and perimeter of 2D shapes, as well as being introduced to 3D shapes, their properties and nets.

They will continue work on all areas of measure - using and converting all units in weight, volume and capacity. Data- handling this term will involve food surveys and the interpretation of this data using graphing programmes.

Literacy

Children are encouraged to read widely and regularly using the Accelerated Reader and their Guided Readers. The children have been set a new AR Target for this term and it is recommended that the children should spend 20 - 30 minutes a day reading their book to reach their individual target. The children's AR Level from January to February is recorded at the back of their homework diary.

In Writing the children will focus on persuasive writing. They will examine the features of persuasive text and complete a piece of persuasive writing on the importance of drinking water and wearing/not wearing school uniform.

What's going on?

Mathletics/Teams activities will continue to be set this term.

This term the children will have swimming lessons in the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre on Tuesday (£3.50).

Please ensure that your child has full PE kit for Wednesday and Thursday. Hurling training for P6 will take place on Wednesday morning.

Football training will take place on Friday afternoon 2pm - 3pm for those who wish to take part. There is a £1 charge for this each week.