

CHOCOLATE







THEMED PROGRAMME



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Everyone loves chocolate, so this themed programme is sure to be very popular. Within this programme are opportunities to find hidden chocolates, invent your own mouth-watering creations, pray using smarties, thank important people with a tasty treat, and of course... eat some chocolate!

ACTIVITIES

-  **Chocolate Inventors**
-  **Chocolate Tasters**
-  **Chocolate Wrapper Hunt**
-  **'That Sounds Like Chocolate' Matching Game**
-  **Thanks a Choco-lot!**
-  **Smarties Prayer**

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» INTRODUCTION

Chocolate is a sweet, made from cocoa beans. Cocoa beans grow in humid tropical climates, usually found around the equator.

Whilst originally used as a drink thousands of years ago by the Aztecs, these days chocolate can usually be found in solid bars.

In the UK the biggest producer of chocolate is Cadburys, who make over 350 million bars of Dairy Milk each year. That's a lot of chocolate!

? DID YOU KNOW?

- The first chocolate bar was made in 1847.
- The smell of chocolate increases the brain waves which make you feel relaxed.
- In the UK people eat on average 11kg of chocolate every year. This is the about 3 bars a week, or 156 bars every year!
- So many Toblerone are sold every year that if you laid them out end to end, they would stretch further than the whole circumference of the world!

GET CREATIVE: IN THE KITCHEN CHOCOLATE INVENTORS

Become a chocolate inventor, like Willy Wonka, and use your creative skills to come up with a brand new chocolate bar bursting with exciting flavours.

- 1 Melt chocolate until it becomes liquid. Place a small amount of melted chocolate in a bowl for each child.
- 2 Provide the group with a mixture of ingredients such as Rice Krispies, jelly beans, sprinkles, mini marshmallows, popping candy, smarties and so on. Encourage them to add some of the ingredients into their chocolate and mix them together.
- 3 Spoon the mixture into cupcake cases and allow them to set.

Whilst the exciting chocolate creations are setting, encourage the group to come up with a name for their new chocolate bar and a wrapper design. Children can use our 'Design a Chocolate Bar' activity sheet or create their own. Once designed let each child share their product with the group and explain the new creation.

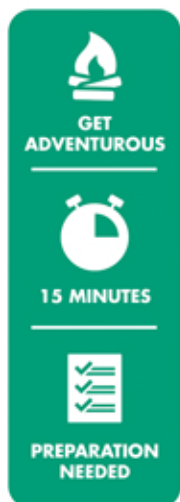
 Download and print the 'Design a Chocolate Bar' activity sheet.

GET LEARNING: MY SKILLS FOR LIFE CHOCOLATE TASTERS

 Download and print the 'Chocolate Tasters' score sheet.

Put the group's taste buds to the test, by tasting and scoring different brands of chocolate. Which milk chocolate bar will come out on top? For this activity you will need 5 different brands of milk chocolate (i.e. Dairy Milk, Galaxy, Green & Black, Lindt, Supermarket own brand etc). You'll also need a copy of the 'Chocolate Tasters' score sheet or you could create your own version and scoring system. Complete this activity as one group, to allow for discussion before deciding on the ranks.

Rank the chocolate bars based on taste, size, look, price and wrapper design. Add up the score and reveal the overall winner.



GET ADVENTUROUS: EXPLORING THE WORLD AROUND ME CHOCOLATE WRAPPER HUNT



Download and print the 'Chocolate Wrapper Hunt' activity sheet. Alternatively, you could use real chocolate bars or chocolate coins. The wrapper images / chocolate bars will need to be hidden around your meeting space before children arrive. This activity could be played in a few different ways.

Team Hunt Relay: Split into teams and give each team a copy of the master sheet (the sheet with all 14 bars on). A set of wrappers will need to be hidden for each team. One child from each team can go looking for a chocolate bar and return it once found, before the next team member goes. Keep going, with the first team to find all 14 bars being the winner.

I Spy: Stick the 14 chocolate bars around your meeting space, high and low (under chairs, back of doors, inside cupboards etc). Give small groups of children the master sheet and send them out looking for the bars. Once found they can tick the chocolate bar off their sheet and carry on (not removing the chocolate from its hiding space). The first group to find all 14 bars wins.

Individual: Hide a number of wrappers / chocolate bars around your meeting space. On go, all children should be looking high and low for a chocolate. Set a rule that they can only find x amount each, before they have to start helping others.



GET ACTIVE: PLAYING GAMES 'THAT SOUNDS LIKE CHOCOLATE' MATCHING GAME



Download and print the 'That Sounds Like Chocolate' leader's sheet. You'll also need the 14 wrapper images from the Chocolate Wrapper Hunt activity.

- 1 Split into teams. Each team will need their own set of chocolate wrappers for this game. These should be placed at one end of the room, with the teams sat at the opposite end.
- 2 Before each round, one person from each team should be nominated to play. They should stand up.
- 3 A leader should read out one of the chocolate bar descriptions from the leader's sheet. Once the leader has finished the nominated child from each team can run to the chocolate wrappers and collect the chocolate bar they think is being described. The first team to return the correct chocolate bar first gains a point. Continue playing, going through all the descriptions. The team with the most points at the end wins.

Make the game more difficult by turning all the bars upside down (so children have to sort through the pile) and returning the bar to the pile after each round (so there are always 14 bars to look through).

Example: A delicious, yet intensely chocolatey rush of the tiniest bubbles with the biggest taste, covered in smooth Cadbury milk chocolate! (Answer = Wispa Bar)



GET INVOLVED: HELPING OTHERS THANKS A CHOCO-LOT!

Celebrate an important person by thanking them with chocolate. A great way to show some love and appreciate those who deserve it.



Download and print the 'Thanks a Choco-Lot' activity sheet.

- 1 Start by having a group discussion about people who deserve a thank you. This might be people we know such as our parents, teachers, grandparents, or it might be people in jobs such as police, doctors, nurses etc. Why is it important to say thank you and show appreciation?
- 2 Explain that each child will have the opportunity to say thank you in one of the best ways you can ... with chocolate! Hand out the 'Thanks a Choco-Lot!' activity sheets or alternatively design your own versions or create thank you cards using craft materials. Encourage the children to colour in the words, add extra pictures to the page or attach stickers / stars etc.
- 3 Stick a chocolate bar to the sheet / thank you card using double sided tape. Fill in the lines at the bottom, including a short message to the person you wish to thank.
- 4 Children can then take the thank you messages home, if they are for someone they know, or a leader can arrange for the thank you messages to be delivered if for a profession (police, doctors, fire etc).



GET INTO THE BIBLE: PRAYER SMARTIES PRAYER

Thinking about what to pray for can sometimes be hard work. Use the smarties prayer, to help show the group how we can structure a prayer to include lots of different things.

Give each child all 8 coloured smarties. Ask them not to eat them yet. Explain that each colour can represent a different thing we can pray for. Go through each colour and encourage the group to pray for each of the topics. This might be in their heads, or you could encourage children to share their prayers with the group or write them down. After each topic, let the children eat that coloured smartie.

Finish by reminding the group that God is always there to listen to our prayer – whether we have chocolate or not! Encourage the children to try and find some time in the week to say another prayer.

Red: Family. Thank God for giving family to you and ask him to look after them.

Orange: Friends. Thank God for something you've enjoyed doing with your friends.

Blue: The World. Pray for another part of the World that might be struggling.

Pink: The Sick. Pray for someone you know who might be sick or unwell.

Violet: Worry. Tell God your worries and ask for his help with them.

Green: Sorry God. Ask for forgiveness for things you might have done wrong recently.

Yellow: Thank you God. Thank God for something good that has happened. Give God praise.

Brown: Amen. Thank God for always being there to listen and let him know you'll be back soon.

DESIGN A CHOCOLATE BAR



Designed By _____

CHOCOLATE TASTERS

We all have our favourite milk chocolate bars, but is it really the best tasting chocolate bar around? Use the below table to finally find out which milk chocolate bar is the best.

For each category order each bar from 1 to 5, with 1 being the best. The chocolate bar with the least points at the end is the winner.

	Chocolate Bar 1	Chocolate Bar 2	Chocolate Bar 3	Chocolate Bar 4	Chocolate Bar 5
Taste					
Serving Size					
How it Looks					
Price					
Wrapper Design					
Total Points					
Overall Position					

The winning chocolate bar is _____

CHOCOLATE WRAPPER HUNT

Can you find all 14 wrappers hidden around your meeting space?









THAT SOUNDS LIKE CHOCOLATE!

MATCHING GAME

LEADER'S SHEET

Crunchie - A chunky bar of delicious honeycomb, smothered in thick Cadbury milk chocolate that shatters into mouth-watering pieces.

Flake - The Crumbliest, flakiest chocolate bar around.

Boost - A taste-bud-boosting blast of biscuit in a soft, cocoa centre, encased in chewy caramel and Cadbury milk chocolate, packing a punch in every layer!

Curly Wurly - A swirly ladder of golden caramel, draped in Cadbury milk chocolate – everyone's favourite twisty treat.

Double Decker - A contrasting combination of crispy cereal and soft, pillowy nougat, layered up and coated in smooth Cadbury milk chocolate, giving you two bars in one!

Picnic - A nobbly creation of crispy wafer, chewy caramel, crunchy peanuts and juicy dried grapes, all contained in a layer of Cadbury milk chocolate!

Starbar - Delicious Cadbury milk chocolate, surrounding a chewy cosmos of golden caramel and a blast of peanut that's out of this world!

Twirl - Bars of indulgent chocolatey swirls, wrapped in smooth Cadbury milk chocolate that melt in your mouth

Wispa - A delicious, yet intensely chocolatey rush of the tiniest bubbles with the biggest taste, covered in smooth Cadbury milk chocolate!

Caramel Bar - A soft, gooey centre of golden caramel, wrapped in Cadbury Dairy Milk chocolate for a chocolatey sensation that's oh-so-smooth!

Fruit and Nut - A mouth-watering combination of crunchy almonds and delicious dried grapes all engulfed in Cadbury Dairy Milk chocolate

Wispa Gold - Tonnes of delightful tiny chocolatey bubbles, layered with golden caramel and covered in smooth Cadbury milk chocolate!

Fudge - A finger of irresistibly scrumptious soft fudge, wrapped in smooth Cadbury milk chocolate

Marvellous Creations (Jelly Popping Candy) - A scrumptious combination of fruit flavour jellies, crispy coated cocoa bites, a crackle of popping candy, and Cadbury Dairy Milk chocolate.

THANKS A CHOCO-LOT!

Stick a chocolate bar here

To ... _____

Thank you for ... _____

From ... _____