

Class 2

Autumn Term Topic Web

Castles, Dragons, Fairy Tales.



History and Geography

We will be learning about castles; exploring the history, what life was like in a castle, looking at the different jobs people had in a castle, how to defend a castle, acting out battles, where castles were located in terms of settlement and map making creating a bird's eye view map of a castle. We will also be visiting a local castle, so that the children have the opportunity to see history in a practical setting, bringing it to life for them.



Grid learning

Computing to create a short animation to include a castle. Design and Technology to build a small igloo from sugar cubes. Hundertwasser an Austrian artist exploring spirals and colours. Drama-The Three Little Pigs. Geography to draw a map showing a castle, rivers, mountains, towns roads and coasts. Art and Design to design a coat of arms.

Mathematical Development

Following the scheme of work from Abacus the children will study the following Autumn programmes. Estimating and counting objects up to 100, comparing numbers and finding a number in between, revising number bonds to 10 and 20, doubling and halving numbers, addition and subtraction, placing numbers on a number line,



ordering numbers, recognising properties of 2/3D shapes sorting them using Venn and Carroll diagrams, measure lengths using uniform units and use coins to make given amounts of money.

English

Through the castle, dragon and fairy tale topic the children will experience: writing recounts, labelled diagrams, fact files, menus, invitations, recounts and fantasy stories. Phonics will be taught daily to Year 1 and grammar, spelling and punctuation to Year 2. Weekly handwriting lessons will focus on secure letter formation and joining of letters.

Science

Identify and compare the suitability of everyday materials including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses. Find out how the shapes of solid objects can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. We will also be focussing on investigative Science where the children will be involved with practical experiments.

Design and Technology

There will be a whole school focus on design and technology the children will be creating draw bridges with pulley systems, designing and making chariots, junk modelling dragons, charging knights making shields, sewing and cooking castle food.

Art

We will look at the Bayeux tapestry works of Pablo Picasso and Piet Mondrian



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will carry out activities that will promote trust and teamwork, respect and manners. We will also discuss any issues children need to share to help solve them.

Physical Education

We will be continuing with our Physical Fridays looking at developing the children's skills, co-ordination and balance using a range of apparatus and sports, in particular gymnastics. Children will take part in a range of team games to encourage tactics and rules. We will also experience medieval dance.



Religious Education

We will be focusing upon Christian stories in class collective Worships, celebrating Harvest, Advent and Christmas. Islam will also be studied with the story of Muhammad and children learning that Muslims study the Quran.



Music

Learn songs The Grand Old Duke of York, Hairy Scary Castle, create their own eerie castle music. Learn and perform Harvest and Christmas songs, play tuned and untuned instruments.

Computing

Children will use simple coding, Ipads for research word processing, taking digital images, using simple paint programs, net-books to support phonics work and they will be taught to use technology safely and respectfully.

Visits

To support our learning we will be visiting Kenilworth Castle and Compton Verney.

If you have any questions, please come in and speak to Mrs. Corrigan and Mrs. Mc.Kenzie.