

Year 2 – Curriculum Information – Knights and Castles

Literacy

- Read class text together. Make predictions about what might happen, explore characters thoughts and feelings through hot seating, express likes and dislikes.
- Develop use of conjunctions to sequence or add detail when writing a recount.
- Learn how formal letters are set out. Write a letter expressing an opinion.
- Write a story that includes some direct speech.

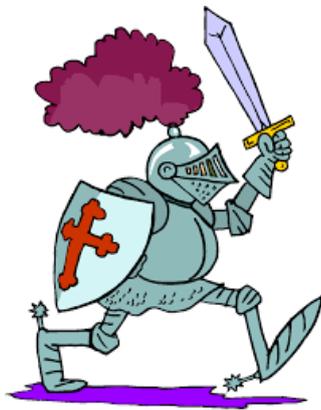


Non-Fiction Texts

- Identify the features of information texts such as headings, subheadings, captions, font types, contents pages etc.
- Research information about Knights and Castles, then use the information to complete tasks.
- Write a set of instructions for a science experiment and comment on what you find out.

Reading

- Read books at home three times each week and discuss what has been read.
- Read at school individually, in groups and as a class.
- Learn poems and Christmas songs.
- Research Castles using non-fiction books Sagas.



Numeracy

- Continue to develop recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables.
- Recognise the place value of each digit in a two digit or three-digit number (hundreds, tens, ones).
- Learn and recall number bonds to 10 and 20.
- Find half and double of numbers up to 20
- Learn about 2D and 3D shapes, including lines of symmetry.
- Continue to develop written methods for + and – .
- Solve number puzzles and word problems.
- Tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes.

Topic –Knights and Castles

- What is a castle and where are they located?
- Learn about castle life.
- Learn about how castles were attacked and defended.
- Find out about famous knights and their good deeds.
- Shade using pastels and chalk / Study printing techniques
- Map out locations of castle and understand what a good castle location would be.
- Make a castle themed bookmark and a catapult.

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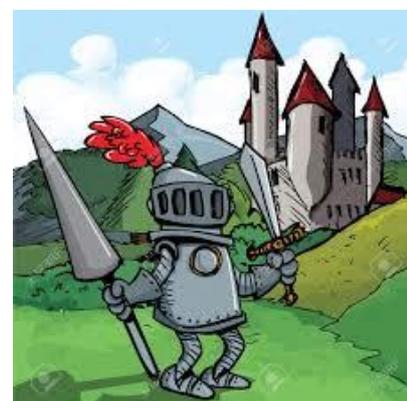
- Revise E-Safety and correct, safe use of equipment in school.
- Research about castles using iPads.
- Create an animation linked to Knights and Castles.

PE – Multi-Skills and Gym / Dance

- Use move over, along and around apparatus
- Improve core strength and balance
- Develop jumping and throwing skills
- Dance Led by a specialist teacher focusing on creative movements and use of space.

Science – Materials and their properties

- Identify different materials in nature and what they might be used for..
- Experiment to find how far elastic bands can be fired.
- Experiment with different materials to see which would help keep you warm.



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