



Art/DT

We will have a big design and technology project! We will be designing, making and evaluating our own catapults. This will include using our drawing skills and thinking practically about how to use different materials. We will also study a famous artist Paul Klee and follow his style of painting.

Music

In Music, we will continue to play a range of music to the children, linking to our topic. The children will explore rhythm and, hopefully, play a variety of musical instruments.

ICT

Within our ICT lessons, this term we will be focusing on coding, a new and exciting area of the curriculum. We will also be learning how to stay safe online.

Science

In our science lessons this term, we will be learning about plants. We will be sorting different types of seeds and thinking about how these seeds disperse. Then, we will be looking at how these seeds grow into plants and what conditions seeds need to grow. We will be using the scientific skills of observing, comparing and monitoring. We welcome any home grown plants or pictures of gardening in school!



Castles and Catapults



English

Our English lessons will link to our topic, and give us a chance to apply our knowledge of castles. We are starting by reading King Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table recapping our core writing skills. We are writing a narrative tale about The Kiss that Missed. We will then move on to writing a non-chronological report all about the features of castles. This will help us answer our key question: *How do you invade a castle?* A step by step guide will be coming to you soon. After this our focus will return to fiction where we will be looking at twisted fairy tales!

Maths

We will begin the term with a unit on measuring length and height, after which we will work on position and direction. We will end the half term with a consolidation unit, where we address problem solving. The second half of the term will focus on measurement - time and capacity. We will use these units to revise the 4 operations in various ways

History/Geography

This term will be more of a historical focus including the features of a castle, why they were built, who lived there and how they fitted into Norman society. We will also be focusing on Reading Abbey for our local history study. Queen Elizabeth I will be our royal interest. We will also look at the physical geography of castle sites and the reasons for their strategic location.

PE/Games

In outside PE we will focus on multi-skills and athletics. This includes running, jumping and catching. Please ensure your child has the right kit as we will be on the field, regardless of weather.

RE

This term in RE we will be learning about Judaism. Our big question will be 'How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do?'

PSHE

This term's Jigsaw theme is called 'Relationships'. We will first learn that there are different types of families. Then we will be looking at friendships, learning how to resolve conflicts.