



Learning Preview Year 2

Autumn Term 1

Cannonballs and Crenulations



Our Themed Learning:

- We will be learning about what life was like during 'castle times.' Identifying parts of a castle, people's livelihoods, the need for protection as well as learning about famous people such as William the Conqueror. Have you visited a castle before? Who do you think may have lived there? What can we learn from the past?

Learning in the Core Subjects

- In English we will be learning about traditional tales and refine our own story writing. Later we will be moving onto instructional writing and improving our use of conjunctions!
- In Maths we will be focusing on number, and gaining fluency with mental maths e.g. number bonds, doubles and halves, counting in 2s, 5s, 10s.
- In Science we will be looking closely at the use of materials, exploring, explaining, testing and observing.
- In Computing we will be saving and retrieving files, cutting and pasting and learning about the importance of internet safety.

Have you read?

- The Orchard Book of Magical Tales
- Snow White in New York
- The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs



Vocabulary



- Castle- fort built for protection.
- Battlement- very top of the castle wall.
- Portcullis- huge gate which slides down to keep away enemies
- Role Reversal - usual goodies and baddies swap roles.
- Conjunction - joining word e.g. and, but, so, because.

Key questions...



- Why were castles built?
- Who lived in castles?
- Who was William the Conqueror?
- Can you think of a funny role reversal?

If you would like more information on our learning this half term please see our 'Curriculum Mindmaps' on our website under the link 'Our School.'