

COLOSSAL CASTLES
YEAR 2
AUTUMN TERM 2021



Sparkling Starter

If you could be King or Queen for the day, what would you do?



Fabulous Finish

We will finish by making a medieval soup for the King.

English

Class Text

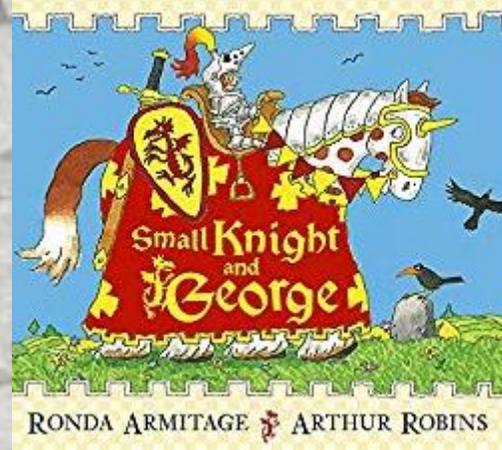
We will be using *Small Knight and George* by Ronda Armitage and the traditional story, *Jack and the Beanstalk*, as our stimulus for this term.

We will also be looking at what it would be like to be a knight for the day using a clip for the BBC to help us write a fictional recount.

How can you help?

Talk to your child about what they are reading. Ask them questions such as:
What do you like or dislike about it?
What are the themes of the story?
Which character do you like best and why?

Encourage them to use examples from the story itself. E.g. *"I liked when Small Knight met George because...."*



We will be:

- Writing an extended story with a beginning, middle and an end.
- Writing a recount in the role of a knight.
- Researching to write our own non-chronological report.
- Writing instructions on how to make a medieval soup.
- Performing a poem using expression, fluency, good pace, appropriate volume and actions.

We will also be using drama to ignite ideas for our writing.

Assessment

The children will sit a termly test in reading and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. This will inform future planning and teaching.

Maths

Overview

Number: Numbers 10 to 100

Number: Calculations within 20

Multiplication: Review counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and the 10 times tables

Number: Fluently add and subtract within 10

Number: Addition and subtraction of two-digit numbers

How can you help?

Please continue to encourage your child to learn their number bonds, 10 times tables and associated facts. For example:

$$7 + 13 = 20$$

$$20 - 7 = 13$$

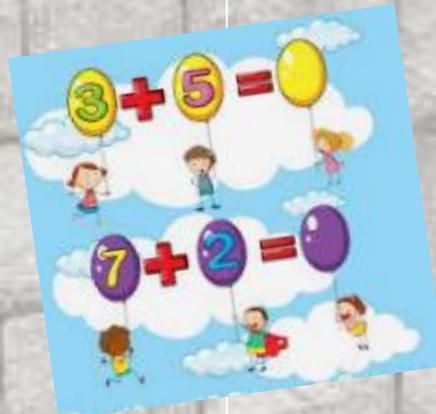
$$2 \times 10 = 20$$

$$20 \div 10 = 2$$

Why not visit these websites at home:

www.myminimaths.co.uk

<https://ttrockstars.com/>



How do we plan?

We use NCETM Scheme of Learning alongside other material.



Assessment

The children will sit a termly test in arithmetic and reasoning. This will inform future planning and teaching.

Science

In Science, we will be learning about materials. We will be identifying different types of materials and their properties as well as testing the suitability of the materials through a series of experiments.



We will use our scientific enquiry skills to:

- Make observations first hand
- Ask and answer questions

How can you help?

www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics

Computing

In Computing, we will be looking at effective searching when using the internet. We will learn the words associated with searching and with that, gain a better understanding of searching on the Internet. We will also create a leaflet to help someone search for information on the Internet.



History

In History, we will be looking at castles. During these lessons, we will be discussing the features of a castle and how they defended the King and Queen. We will also look at the different roles of people within a castle.

Through role play and fact finding, we will learn about famous William the Conqueror and the Battle of Hastings.



Art and DT

In Art, we will be looking closely at pictures to make observational drawings. We will use different grades of pencils and look at how to shade using the hatching method.

In DT, we will be looking at where food comes from and finish by making our own medieval soup.



Music

In Music, we follow the Charanga music scheme. This term, we will be looking at Hands, Feet and Heart. We will be performing a song to an audience.



RE

In RE will be looking at Christianity (kindness) and the Christmas story. We will be thinking about Jesus as a gift from God.



PE

In PE, we will be learning basic ball skills including sending and receiving and then applying these skills in invasion games.



PSHE

In PSHE, we will be looking at new beginnings and concentrating on rights, rules and responsibilities at school and at home. We will also be looking at my relationships focusing on our emotions and feelings.





General Information

Diary Dates

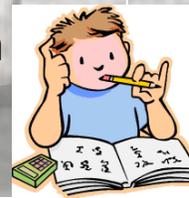
Homework

Autumn Term

Black History Month	October
Inset Day	01.11.2021
Outdoor Learning Day	04.11.2021
Parents Evening	w.c. 08.11.2021 and 15.11.2021
Armistice Day	11.11.2021
Children in Need	12.11.2021
St Andrew's Day	30.11.2021
Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day	10.12.2021

PE Days

The teaching of PE will be increased this year with there being no set day for PE. Your child's kit, including an outdoor one, should be in school at all times. This will be sent home each term to wash.



In Year 2, homework is given out weekly. This is on a Friday and it is due in the following Wednesday.

Homework consists of: a times tables activity, a spelling activity and a Maths task or reading comprehension. Your child will also receive a selection of topic activities that they can complete at home.

All homework is issued and submitted on Seesaw <https://web.seesaw.me/>.

If you need a paper copy, please ask your class teacher.

Alongside homework, we expect your child to read daily and log this in their reading journals.