

What's happening in Year Two?



During this half term we will be exploring the theme 'Castles'



What was it like to live in a medieval castle?

English

During English lessons, we will be focussing on the settings of different stories and learning what makes an effective setting description. We will be learning about powerful adjectives, similes, prepositions and adverbs to create amazing descriptive paragraphs.

Geography

We will be developing our geographical and fieldwork skills by learning to use simple compass directions to study routes on a map and put their directional map skills into real life practise with a scavenger hunt!

Science

We will be learning about the life cycles of animals, including humans, the stages of life from infancy to adulthood and how genes can affect offspring.

History

In history we will be learning about the features of a castle and how they have changed over time. We will look into castle defences and medieval jobs while comparing different time periods.

Art and Design

This half term we will learn painting techniques and skills such as layering and using different washes. Our art will be inspired by Joseph Turner and our theme of castles.

Maths

In Maths, we will be learning about measure. The children will explore length, height, mass, capacity and temperature using practical activities. They will estimate, measure and compare using standard units, record results with symbols, and develop accuracy while building curiosity through hands-on investigations and challenges.

Remember, **talk** is a great tool for learning so please encourage your child to talk about what they have done each day.

Phonics & Spelling

In Phonics, the children will continue to develop their reading and spelling skills through our Little Wandle programme. They will be learning important spelling rules and exploring alternative digraphs.



Reading

This half term we will continue reading 'The boy who grew dragons' during our guided reading lessons, which is a fun, adventure story.

We ask that you support your child by continuing to hear them read each day at home and ask them questions about what they have read to ensure they have understood as well as signing and dating their reading log. Your child will bring home a book of their choice matched to their accelerated reader level and can complete an online quiz at home or school.



Important Dates:

Medieval Dress Up Day:
2nd July

Arundel Castle:
25th June

Sports Day:
10th July