

Year 2 Summer Term

Time Travellers



Key dates:

23.04.18 William De Yaxley playtime experience
10:45

03.05.18 Warwick castle trip

28.05.18 Half Term

02.07.18 Transition afternoons TBC

06.07.18 open pm

17.07.18 and 18.07.16 Leavers' Assembly
Performance

19.07.18 Leavers' Treat Day

24.07.18 Final Assembly

National Curriculum

As historians we will be exploring the world of castles. From discovering the different types of castles and when and why they were built, to making our own weapons to defend against the enemy, and acting out a day in the life of someone who might have lived inside a castle, thinking carefully about their role, what they ate and how they dressed. We will use non-fiction books and the kidrex search engine to find out answers to our questions and find out about significant historical events.

As Geographers we will be using a map of the United Kingdom to plot where castles were or where they still are today. We will also look further afield to the different types of castles around the world, looking at similarities and differences.

As scientists we will be investigating the use of materials around the castle. We will find answers to our questions such as 'Why did they change to stone castles?', 'Why was the portcullis made of metal?' We will test different materials to see which ones are most suitable for different features of the castle. As designers, we will follow this up by making our own trebuchets, choosing materials to fit the criteria, as well as investigating the effects of different forces. We will also need to look into sources of light, because they had to use candles to see.

As artists we will be exploring sculpture and mark making. In our making sessions we will be constructing models and using basic tools to help us assemble and join frameworks.

As musicians we will listen to a range of medieval music. We will talk about what we like and dislike, and how it makes us feel. We will talk about the similarities and differences to the music we hear now. We learn lots of castle and knights songs in preparation for our end of term leaving assembly!

As authors and writers we will be reading a range of fiction and non-fiction books about knights, princesses and castles. We will write recounts about our castle trip, write diary entries and character profiles to show what it was like to be a knight, a maid, or any other person who may have lived in a castle.

As mathematicians we will recognise and use money to solve castle word problems. We will continue to focus on telling the time to five minute intervals. We will recap and continue to develop our understanding of addition and subtraction, mentally and showing our workings.