

Our PE this Half Term

This half term in P.E. we will be focusing on catching and throwing, looking at different ways to travel and building on agility, balance and co-ordination. PE for Year 2 is on a Thursday - All children to come to school dressed in their PE kit.

Our Religious Education and World Views this Half Term

This half term we will be learning about the concept of light as a symbol. We will be focusing on when we use light for reflection such as birthdays and special occasion. We will then look at two religions (Christianity and Judaism) and see how and why they use a light as a symbol for advent and Hanukkah as well as reflection.

How can you help at home?

Reading - Please continue to read with your child 3 times a week and don't forget to make sure it is logged on Go Read. Remember to ask your child lots of questions while they are reading to check their understanding.

Maths - To support with our learning of multiplication and division, please keep rehearsing the 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables. You can encourage the children to draw pictures to support this if they are not yet confident in recalling.

History - Explore Google Maps together. What castles can you see around the world? What castles can you find in the UK? What castles can you find near where you live?

Dates for your Diary

Week Commencing - Mon 7th Nov - Assessment Week

Wed 9th Nov 2022 - Spinnaker Tower trip.

Thurs 10th Nov 2022 - Cinema Trip

Fri 9th Dec 2022 - Helping Hands Christmas Fayre.

Wed 14th Dec - KS1 Christmas Play pm / **Thurs 15th Dec** - KS1 Christmas Play am.

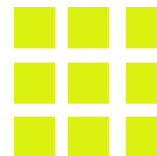
Thurs 15th Dec 2022 - Christmas Dinner Day.

Fri 16th Dec 2022 - Christmas Muffin Day.

Fri 16th Dec 2022 - Last day of Autumn Term.

Fri 16th Dec 2022 - Early closing at 1.00pm.

Mon 19th Dec - Mon 2nd Jan 2023 - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.



Nine Acres Primary School Autumn Term 2 2022

Year 2 Team

Miss Hayward



Mrs Gould



Mrs Barnes



Mrs Frampton



Miss Gardiner



Dear Families,

This half term our learning is focused on the History of Castles. We will be learning about how castles have changed over time and why.

We will look at different locations where castles are situated and what they were used for. We aim to take our learning further by exploring our local castle and being up close and personal to real life history!

We will be learning about the life of King Charles 1st and how he was an important figure in History.

What castles have you visited? Do you know the importance of Carisbrooke Castle to the Isle of Wight?

With thanks,

The Year 2 Team.



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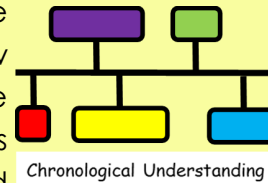
Year 2 - Autumn Term 2 2022 - Castles

Important facts to know by the end of this topic:

- Castles in the past were built either to protect or for royalty to live in.
- Castles are now used as museums for people to visit.
- Some older castles are now ruins.
- Some castles were used as prisons.
- Windsor and Balmoral are castles in England.
- Carisbrooke Castle is a castle on the Isle of Wight.
- Carisbrooke Castle is a motte and bailey castle.
- Charles I was an old King who started the English Civil War, He was imprisoned at Carisbrooke Castle before his execution.

Key Skills

Using words like then and now to compare how castles have changed over time.



Enquire about the use of castles and if they have remained the same over time.



Key Vocabulary

past - something that has already happened

present - something that is happening now

castle - a type of fortified structure that was built many years ago.

moat - a deep ditch dug around a castle, fort, or town for protection against enemies.

motte - a mound forming the site of a castle or camp

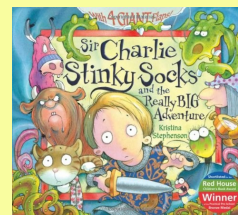
bailey - the courtyard within a strong wall.

keep - a fortified tower on the top of the motte

Our English this half term!

Have you ever wished you could be a knight and storm a castle that a dragon is guarding? Don't fear because this term in English we will be writing our own versions of 'Sir Charlie Stinky Socks' Great Big Adventure. The children will develop knowledge of using 'so' as a conjunction, expanded noun phrases to add description and commas to separate a list. The children will also focus on editing to improve their writing for the reader by making sure they haven't missed any words, the tense verbs are all correct and use a dictionary to check their spellings!

This term's exciting book!



Our Maths this half term!

During Early Bird Maths this half term, we will be looking at deepening our understanding of taught arithmetic skills and working hard to achieve our badges. In our everyday Maths learning, we will learn how to subtract two 2-digit numbers where we might need to borrow a ten! Also, we will develop our multiplication skills and division skills by multiplying and dividing by 2, 5, 10s and some of us 3s!