

'Learning, Achieving, Aspiring Together'

Overview: In Year 4 in this half term, we will be travelling across the United Kingdom and the globe exploring castles and asking 'Why were castles essential during the medieval era?'

Reading

Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone
by J.K. Rowling

We will be focusing on retrieval and prediction questions whilst immersing ourselves in the adventures of Harry Potter.

Writing

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We will be writing a diary from the point of view of a character from our book and then we will be using our senses to write a setting description from a scene in our book.

Maths



Through questioning and problem solving and reasoning we will be learning about:

- Place Value and the number system
- Addition and subtraction
- Multiplication tables from 2 – 12.

Science



In a State! (States of Matter)
During our chemistry topic we will be exploring solids, liquids and gases and how we can differentiate between the properties of each.

Computing



Software Development
We will be using Scratch and exploring how to develop quizzes and interactive games.

Religious Education



Question: How special is the relationship between the people of the Jewish faith have with God?
Religion: Judaism

Languages – French

In French we will be learning how to say parts of the body, food and drinks. We will be sentence building using simple verbs and nouns and using our phonic knowledge when learning about the sounds "a" and "ai."



PSHE

Our aims in P.S.H.E. this half term:

- Being part of a class team
- Being a school citizen
- Rights, responsibilities and democracy (school council)
- Rewards and consequences
- Group decision-making
- Having a voice
- What motivates behaviour



History



Questions we aim to answer this half term.
Why were castles essential in the Medieval Era?
What are the features of a castle and what is their purpose?
What were the different types of castles?
What reliable sources can I use to research a castle?

Art



Castles

We will be using various techniques to design and make a coat of arms.

Design Technology



Castles

We will be using various stitching techniques to create our coat of arms.
During Baking this half term we will be making flapjack using ingredients that you would have found in a medieval castle.

Physical Education

Football



Music

Composers



Geography

Why were castles essential in the Medieval era?
Where are some of the UK's castles located?
Were castles unique to the United Kingdom?



Useful websites:

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary>