

English:

This term we will continue with our daily supported reading sessions, phonics lessons and we will also be working hard on our handwriting. We will be finding out some very interesting facts about Kings, Queens and Castles using non-fiction books and our exciting Shakespeare project will give us lots to write about. We are also looking forward to reading various versions of the Jack and the Beanstalk story and writing our own in the second half of the term.

Maths:

This term we will continue to develop our understanding of number and explore how to manipulate number in a variety of ways using concrete materials. We will find doubles and halves of quantities. We will also begin to understand multiplication and division by grouping and sharing and we will use counting strategies to carry out repeated addition of twos, fives and tens. We will also revisit our subtraction and addition skills and apply our strategies to solve problems.

Science: Our main science topics this term are **Materials** and **Plants**. We will investigate which materials will be most suitable for building a castle and why. We will identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants. We will grow our own individual plants in class, observing the changes day by day, labelling the main parts of a plant and discussing special features of different plants.

History/Geography

Our Kings, Queens and Castles topic will allow us to embark on a journey through history, learning about the different Kings and Queens. Our visit to Buckingham Palace will give us a greater understanding of royalty and historical palaces. In geography we will learn about the locations of where castles were built and why, considering the landscapes and physical features.

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**First Half Term – Kings, Queens
and Castles**

**Second Half – Jack and the
Beanstalk**

PSHCE: This term we will learn more about how to manage our feelings and how this impacts on our relationships. We will be focusing on how to care for our environment and celebrating World Environment Day. Later, we will be learning about personal safety and thinking about how to keep ourselves safe at home, at school, outside and on the way to school.

RE: This term we cover the theme Books and Stories. We will think about which books are special to us. We will then explore and discuss why special religious books like the Bible, the Torah and the Qur'an are important in each of those different religions and we will listen to and talk about which stories are important to different religious groups?

Art and DT:

In Art we will be looking closely at the Castle and Sun picture by artist Paul Klee and using this to inspire our own collage castle and sun pictures. We will also create still life paintings of spring and summer plants.

In DT we will build our own castles using a range of recycled materials.

Music:

This term we will continue to **change and combine sounds** and to explore **beat and rhythm**. We will also be learning about **pitch**, performing melodies and using graphic notation. In singing we will focus on sound-shapers and expression.

PE:

We will continue to develop our **'Functional Movement'** including: bending, stretching, rotating and balance. In **Dance** and **Gymnastics** we will learn about direction, dynamics, flow and rhythm. **Games** lessons will focus on catching, releasing and dribbling.

Computing:

Our topic "Kings, Queens and Castles" will enable us to use the internet purposefully to research Queen Elizabeth II, and Henry V as well as Buckingham Palace and Hampton Court Palace.