

Our theme this term is...

TURRETS & TIARAS



As scientists we will:

Continue with the theme of materials we will explore how the shapes of solid objects can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. The children will explore material properties making model houses for the 3 Little Pigs! We will revisit our work on seasonal change and compare Autumn and Winter with Spring .

As geographers we will:

- Develop our geographical skills and fieldwork.
- Use world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the capital cities and surrounding seas and oceans.

As writers we will:

- Be looking at and performing a range of Spring poems and use these as inspiration to create our own poems.
- Developing our ability to write 'Golden Sentences' using full stops, capital letters, finger spaces and correct grammar (e.g. ran not runned)
- We will write a recount about our class trip to Mountfitchet Castle using time adverbs to sequence key events. (First, next, then, after that, finally etc.)

As mathematicians we will:

Explore measure (length, height, weight and mass) and solve problems related to this.
Calculate and solve addition and subtraction problems mentally, using number facts to support quick recall.
Learn to tell the time (o'clock, half past)

As programmers we will:

Developing our skills as digital artists through exploring and using a range of tools such as the different brushes, shapes and lines within a Paint package.

As artists we will:

- Complete our photo self-portraits, showing our character and what interests us.
- Design, make and evaluate our own castle in groups.

TRIP Mountfitchet Castle (Friday March 29th.) Packed Lunch and raincoat needed!

RE: We will be investigating and developing our understanding of the Christian Easter story to help us to consider the following; 'Why does Easter Matter to Christians?'

P.E: Outdoor we will be practising out throwing and catching skills with a range of equipment. Indoors we will be working on developing rolls in gymnastics.

PSHE: The PSHE unit this half term is 'me and my emotions.' Children will be learning to explore and talk about different feelings and we will share stories and have class discussions linked to this.

MUSIC: The children will be developing their thinking voice and keeping a pulse. They will learn to recognise the sounds of a range of instruments and learning to play percussion musically.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please do have a look at our curriculum objectives for this half term. We are continuing our topic work linked to castles and this term have named this half term; 'Turrets and Tiaras.' We are looking in detail at a number of stories which feature castles such as The Paper Bag Princess and will use these to plan and write our own versions.

Next week is our Grove READING AND WRITING WEEK! Thank you to those who have sent in egg boxes for our craft activity, if you do manage to empty one over the weekend please send it in on Monday. There is lots going on so please do read the memo relating to this. Also, don't forget Thursday is World Book Day and so we would love the children to come to school dressed as their favourite storybook character. Remember it doesn't have to be a purchased outfit!

For our trip to Mountfitchet Castle in March we are looking for a limited number of parental volunteers to support us. This will be an all day trip, running during school time. If you would like to help and would be available on this date please speak to one of the class teachers.

Thank you in advance for your support with reading, spellings and the other tasks that feature on our homework menu. It would be lovely to receive homework from more of you next term as last half term many children did not bring in anything to share.

Key Dates

Reading Café - Wednesday 16th March

Wren Class Assembly – Thursday 21st March

Trip to Montfichet Castle– Friday 29th March

Reading Café - Wednesday 3rd April

Yours sincerely,