

Consett Infant School

Year 2 Spring Term

Theme: Knights and Castles

English

Children will follow the National Curriculum Programme of Study for English in Year 2. This will be differentiated to meet the needs and abilities of children. As part of the Programme of Study, Children will learn to;

- Develop their spoken language through opportunities to ask and answer relevant questions, participate in discussions, describe and explain in different situations and for different purposes and speak clearly and audibly.
- Develop reading skills by developing phonic knowledge, reading common exception words, developing comprehension skills and a love of reading.
- Develop writing skills through opportunities to transcribe, compose ideas in a variety of styles of writing, develop spellings skills and handwriting.

It is envisaged that these skills will be supported and developed this term through the theme of Knights and Castles.

Mathematics

Children will follow the National Curriculum Programme of Study for Mathematics in Year 2. Where possible, effort will be made to link mathematical experiences to the theme being explored. In addition to this, children will learn to:

- Develop a secure understanding of number and place value including the ability to count, read, write and order Numbers.
- Develop calculation skills, and be able to find fractions of numbers, objects and quantities.
- Develop measurement skills in relation to length, mass, capacity and time.
- Develop recognition and understanding of the properties of common 2D and 3D shapes and explore position, direction and movement.
- Develop skills in interpreting, constructing and reading simple forms of handling data, asking and answering questions related to this.

Science

Children will learn to:

- Identify and compare the suitability of everyday materials for particular uses.
- Investigate how the shape of some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.
- Identify the suitability of materials used for different purposes.
- Compare the use of everyday materials found in different places.
- Observe closely
- Classify the use of different materials.
- Record observations.

History

Children will learn to :

- Explore similarities and differences between ways of life from now and long ago.
- Use time related vocabulary to describe events .
- Ask and answer questions about the past.
- Use different sources to find out about the past.
- Place events within a chronological framework

Geography

Children will learn to:

- Use key geographical to describe physical features of a locality. Determine the importance of the features for the purpose of building castles.
- Use key geographical language to describe the key human features of castles.
- Use maps and atlases to identify the position and location of features
- Devise simple maps using compass directions and basic keys.

Art and Design

Children will learn to:

- Use a range of materials to create and make products.
- Investigate textiles to design and make products.
- Explore weaving using different materials.
- Use sewing to create products
- Observe the work of artists and designers and describe the similarities and differences in their work.

Design Technology

Children will learn to:

- Design a purposeful product based on given criteria.
- Communicate ideas through talking, drawing and using ICT.
- Select and use a range of tools to cut, shape and join materials.
- Explore mechanisms such as levers and sliders.
- Develop skills in finishing products neatly and effectively.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of products.

Computing

Children will learn to:

- Use technology to create simple documents.
- Use a keyboard to create captions and compose simple documents.
- Import pictures into simple documents.
- Use the Internet safely.

Music

Children will learn to:

- Listen carefully to pieces of music.
- Describe sounds which can be heard in music
- Explore how sounds can be made and changed using a variety of instruments.
- Explore how sounds can be created and changed using voices.

PE

Children will learn to:

- Develop balance and coordination when supporting body weight.
- Transfer weight from one body part to another by rocking and rolling.
- Develop rolling and bowling skills and use these to participate in simple team games where attacking and defending are needed.
- Control a ball by bouncing .
- Develop movement patterns and perform these to others.

In addition to exploring Knights and Castles as a main theme, children will also be exploring different themes in RE

RE— Why Did Jesus Tell Stories

Children will learn :

- That Jesus told stories as a way of teaching people about God, how to behave and treat each other.
- That the stories Jesus told had messages.
- To recall some of the stories that Jesus told.
- To explain the meaning of a story.
- To respond sensitively to the experiences and feelings of others
- What a parable is.
- Make links between a story and the beliefs which underpin it.

PSHCE

Children will learn to:

- Identify what it means to be a good friend
- Listen to others and take turns.
- Give and receive compliments
- See things from another persons point of view
- Identify what happens when we feel angry.
- Find ways to calm down when feeling angry or overwhelmed.
- Take responsibility for the choices which are made and the behaviour which they demonstrate.
- Consider the consequences of behaviour.