

**Year 2**  
**Spring Term**

# This term our Learning Journey is

## Castles and Crowns



Where possible, our learning in each subject will have links to our learning journey.

### Geography

We will be identifying the 4 countries of the UK and the surrounding seas and looking at what makes them similar and different.

### Science

We will look at materials and how solid objects can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. Then we will find out how we can stay strong, fit and healthy.

### Computing

Using an iPad, we will be creating voice recordings of our powerful persuasive speeches and then using Junior Scratch to programme a solution to protect our castles.

### Music

We will be creating clapping patterns and exploring pulse and rhythm – using djembes, percussion and our voices.

### RE – in last 2 weeks of the term

Who is a Muslim and what do they believe?  
What do Christians do at Easter and why is it important?



### English

#### Texts we are focusing on:

The King who banned the dark by Emily Hayworth-Both  
Paper Bag Princess by Robert Munsch  
There was once a queen by Michael Forman and Michael Morpurgo

### Maths

#### Topics we'll be covering:

Money  
Multiplication and Division  
Length and Height  
Mass, capacity and temperature

### History

We'll be looking at monarchy and changes over time – with a focus on the Queen Elizabeth I and II. We will then look at castles and find out how they've been used over time.

### Art

Through portraits of monarchs through the ages, we will be finding how we can convey power through line and composition and make our own royal portraits.

### DT

We are looking at structures and strengthening and designing and making a prototype of our own castle.

### RSHCE

Topics covered:  
Our body and how to keep private  
Royalty and British values  
Hygiene

### PE

In outdoor games, we will be exploring dribbling, kicking and hitting. In Gymnastics, we will be spinning, turning and twisting. For dance, we will be learning medieval-style dance.

### Learning Beyond the Classroom

#### Reading

Find a list at this [link](#)

#### Watching

[Clips of QE1 and QEII](#)  
[Inside the Coronation](#)

#### Listening

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/watch/monarchs-song-2023>  
[Tudor music](#)

#### Talking

##### Ask:

What features have you included on your castle design?  
What were castles used for and how are they used now?