

Sowerby Community Primary School
Home - School Partnership

CLASS: HG/CS

DATE: Summer 1 2017

OUR TOPIC IS... Castles

We will be learning about the structure of castles and how these buildings have changed over the years.

We will continue to develop our agility, balance, coordination, stamina and flexibility. We will be practising throwing and catching and applying these skills to simple invasion games.

We will look at a map of the UK and label the four countries, their capital cities and the surrounding seas. We will also create maps of castles.

We will look carefully at what we are going to draw and try to copy these features. We will use the correct colours.

We will build free standing castles and talk about how we can make sure it stands up on its own.

IN ENGLISH WE WILL BE...

- Recounting things that have happened in our own lives.
- Planning and writing our own recounts and information texts.
- Using question marks and exclamation marks accurately in our writing.
- Adding suffixes and prefixes to root words to alter the meaning or tense.
- Continuing to develop our reading, including exploring themes, predicting events and sequencing stories.
- Identifying features of non-fiction writing and applying these to our own writing.
- Making inferences about characters when we read.
- Talking about our own writing using grammatical language.

IN SCIENCE I WILL BE LEARNING ABOUT:

Plants and what they need to live.
Different types of plants and which plants grow in our local area.
Growing my own plants and how to look after them.

IN MATHS WE WILL BE LEARNING ABOUT:

- **Adding two numbers together to get a total (working with numbers up to 20).**
- **Subtracting one number from another (working with numbers up to 20).**
- **Mentally recalling addition and subtraction facts up to 20.**
- **That addition can be done in any order but subtraction can't.**

Homework:

Homework will be coming out in the form of a grid. The children will be able to choose the tasks they wish to do, and will be asked to bring in their homework to share towards the end of this half term.

YOU CAN HELP ME BY...

- Listening to me read and checking that I understand what I am reading. Please record what I have done in my homework diary.
- Encouraging me to learn my sounds, tricky words and to do my homework.
- Helping me to develop good organisational skills when I get my book bag and PE bag ready. Please remember to label all children's belongings ... even shoes!
- Making sure that I have my own water bottle to use in school.
- Helping me to get to school on time every day.
- Practising my spellings with me every week.

DO	DON'T
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know what they are learning about and how they are learning. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on telling them what it was like when you did it at school
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to them read every day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multitask as you listen
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask them questions - Who? What? Where? When? Why? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show off everything you know so that they feel their work is 'not as good as' or 'not as important as' yours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give them varied out of school experiences 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make it all about expensive activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show them they can achieve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ignore things they can't do

THE DAYS I NEED TO REMEMBER ARE...

PE days: Monday and Tuesday

We will sometimes have PE on a Thursday with Mrs Clay

Spelling books need to be back on a Thursday.

PE Bag - Please make sure that everything is named and that it fits.

White T-shirt, dark shorts, plimsolls

Trainers for outdoor PE

Tracksuit bottoms and a sweatshirt suitable for colder weather.

Long hair needs to be tied up on PE days. Earrings needs to be removed.

SPECIAL DATES COMING UP...

April

24th - Training day

25th - Start back at school

25th - Helmsley Castle

May

1st - bank holiday, no school

2nd Warburton's visit in school - HG

3rd - Warburton's visit in school - CS

26th - Break up - non uniform day