



Lapwings Class Curriculum Overview — Term 1 and 2

Conflict (Castles)

English—In our English lessons this term, Lapwings will be delving deep into our new Project called **Conflict**. During term 1 and into term 2 we will be looking at two books, the first is called 'Rapunzel' written by Bethan Woollvin and the second 'The Adventures of Egg Box Dragon' by Richard Adams. The children will be using these texts as a basis for drama, information writing, story writing and comprehension work.

We will also be linking our English lessons to our history project. The children will have lots of opportunities to explore persuasive writing in terms 1 and 2. They will be writing a persuasive argument for who they believe should have been king in 1066. They will be reading and recalling information to inform their ideas and presenting an argument to the class. The children will also be taking on the role as cook in a castle. They will be baking bread, and writing a persuasive text to entice people to buy their product. The children will also be exploring letter writing. They will have to write in role, imagining they are a prince or princess stuck in a tower or a brave knight coming to rescue them.

Maths—

This term we will begin with a focus on number. Ensuring the children are confident with their counting forwards, and backwards as well as in 2's, 5's and 10's. Children will be sorting, representing and comparing groups of objects and numbers and identifying one more and one less than a given number.

We will continue Term 1 and 2 by exploring the **Four Operations** (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division).

PE— This term, Lapwings will begin by developing their Ball Skills. Lapwing will now have their PE lessons every

Tuesday and Wednesday. Lapwings will use a variety of different sized balls to develop their dribbling, throwing and catching skills.

Please come to school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays in your PE kits.



Science— Our focus this term in Science are Materials and their properties.

We will be identifying and naming a variety of materials and exploring their properties.

We will be taking part in experiments and making predictions about whether we think objects are going to float or sink. We will be designing a castle and use our knowledge of both materials and castles to decide what material will be the best to defend the people inside from attack!

PSHE—

This term's focus is 'Being me in my world'. The children will explore the idea of belonging. They will work together as a class to decide on their class agreement and will talk about what it means to belong to the class. We will discuss ways that the children can help each other learn, talk about when and where they feel 'safe and special' as well as discussing what it means to feel proud.

Art and Computing —We will be using a programme called Purple Mash to hone the children's understanding of coding, and to improve their articulation of key points relating to e-safety. In Art, children will continue to produce creative work, exploring their ideas and recording their experiences. We will continue to develop our drawing, painting and crafting skills.

History—

Our History work this term is especially important as our topic is 'Conflict'. Within this topic we will be diving into what life was like in a Medieval castle. The children will be finding out about UK Castles and why the Normans built them. We will be learning about different types of castles including, motte and bailey and stone keep castles as well as some historical figures who might have lived in one. We will be hot-seating William the Conqueror and talking about the 4 claimants to the throne in 1066. This project allows us to look at and analyse amazing artefacts such as the Bayeux Tapestry and provides us with plenty of fun opportunities to explore, discover and analyse the past. We will be baking bread like cooks in castles, finding out about a knight's daily routine, designing our own coat of arms and even building our own castles!

Get ready to jump back in time Lapwings!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our topic this term is **Conflict (Castles)**.

Thank you all for continuing to support your child at home by:

- A) Reading daily (to become a Reading Star);
- B) Completing the weekly homework task on G-suite;
- C) Logging onto Numbots.

Key Dates:

Friday 17th September 3.10pm: Lapwings Class Meeting

Thursday 14th October: Lewes Castle Class Trip (info to follow)

Last Day of Term 1 for Children: Thursday 21st October

INSET DAYS: Friday 22nd October and Monday 1st November

First Day of Term 2 for Children: Tuesday 2nd November

Last Day of Term 2: Friday 17th December

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