



## Year 2 Topic Web – Spring 2 - 2021

### ‘Towers, Tunnels and Turrets’



What they will be covering in class		Supporting your child’s learning at home.
Engage	To launch our new topic, Towers, Tunnels and Turrets, Year 2 will be finding out about all of the different parts of a castle and their purposes. They will be learning all about how structures need to be stable and will build their own stable bridge.	Please help to support your child’s learning by completing their daily reading, spelling and times table practice.  Useful websites for our topic- English heritage- <a href="https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/members-area/kids/guide-to-castles/">https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/members-area/kids/guide-to-castles/</a> DK find out- <a href="https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/castles/">https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/castles/</a>
Develop	Next, the children will be introduced to the adventure story ‘The Tunnel’ by Anthony Browne. We will use the Pie Corbett strategy to develop a good understanding of the story and learn features that will help us write our own version of ‘The Tunnel’ story.  Finally, we will pull all of our learning together to write our own non-chronological report all about castles. We will be reading a modelled report titled ‘All about Castles’. We will use the Pie Corbett strategy to develop a good understanding of the report and learn features that will help us write our own non-chronological report about castles.	<a href="#">Exploring castles</a> A website devoted to castles in the UK and Europe created by a castle enthusiast  <a href="#">Warwick Castle – Virtual Tour</a> Take a virtual walk around Warwick Castle.  <a href="#">Structures – Science Kids</a> Images of famous structures around the world, accompanied by facts and statistics.
Innovate	Year two will then get creative and write their own version of ‘The Tunnel’ story.  At the end of term, the children will use all of their prior learning to write their own non-chronological report about castles, including lots of facts and information!	Don’t forget about all the other useful websites such as:  Epic- <a href="https://www.getepic.com/">https://www.getepic.com/</a> Oxford owl- <a href="https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/login?active-tab=students">https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/login?active-tab=students</a> Timetable rockstars- <a href="https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student">https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student</a> My Maths - <a href="https://www.mymaths.co.uk/">https://www.mymaths.co.uk/</a> Phonics play- <a href="https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/">https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/</a> Go noodle- <a href="https://app.gonoodle.com/">https://app.gonoodle.com/</a>
Express	To end our topic, the children will find out about our local area, learning about Kirby Castle and King Richard III.	Joe Wicks- <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0IEJo0TYIrfn6rYQ">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxW1XT0IEJo0TYIrfn6rYQ</a> Cosmic Kids Yoga- <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga">https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga</a>

<p><b>Maths</b></p>	<p>This half term, the children will start by learning all about statistics. They will create and interpret pictograms, tally charts and block diagrams. Next, we will be revisiting our learning on 2D and 2D shapes. They will learn about making patterns with 2D and 3D shapes and lines of symmetry. Towards the end of this half term, year 2 will be focusing on applying the written strategies we have learnt across all four operations. We will begin by revising how to multiply and divide using our times tables knowledge and drawing hungry tummies. We will also be revising addition and subtraction of two 2-digit numbers and concentrating on crossing over ten.</p>	
<p><b>English</b></p>	<p>Over the course of this half term, the children will read, plan and write our own versions of a wide range of genres. This will include writing, editing and re-drafting the adventure story 'The Tunnel' by Anthony Browne and a non-chronological report 'All about Castles'.</p> <p>Throughout these genres, they will also be focusing on grammar, punctuation and spellings. Throughout the term, the children are also undertaking phonics and grammar lessons where they will be revising taught spelling patterns and rules.</p>	
<p><b>Science</b></p>	<p>In science, the children are going to be learning all about the topic Animals, including humans. They will learn about how animals and humans change as they grow, their basic needs, how to keep clean, how to eat a healthy diet and how to exercise effectively.</p> <p>It will also be National Science Week in March where the children will be researching a British Scientist. We will be focusing on Elizabeth Garrett Anderson, the first English woman to qualify as a Doctor in Britain.</p>	
<p><b>Design &amp; Technology</b></p>	<p>In Design and technology, the children will be designing, building and evaluating a stable structure. The children will be making models of bridges to form part of their learning and will need to carefully consider how to make their structure stable.</p>	
<p><b>Geography/History</b></p>	<p>In Geography, the children are going to be naming and locating the countries, capital cities and seas of the UK, naming and locating the 7 continents and 5 oceans and locating famous castles from around the world. They will use maps, atlases and globes as part of their learning.</p> <p>In History, the children will be learning about the parts of a castle, creating timelines of how castles have changed, finding out about Kirby Muxloe castle, comparing castles and homes and finding out about King Richard III.</p>	<p><b>PSHE</b></p> <p>In PSHE, the children will be learning about the topic our world.</p> <p>First, they will be learning all about families, homes and schools around the world, looking at similarities and differences to their own lives. Then, they will be learning all about how to keep our environment clean and safe.</p> <p>Finally, we will be focusing on well-being. Each week on a Wednesday we will have a short lesson called 'Well-being Wednesday' where we can learn all about taking time out for ourselves.</p>
<p><b>RE</b></p>	<p>In RE, the children will be learning about different faiths and what they believe, focusing on the Muslim faith.</p>	<p><b>PE</b></p> <p>Our PE session will continue to take place on Fridays. During the start of term, the children will be learning how to juggle using REAL PE. Then, they will be learning all about balance and ball skills.</p>