

Little London Academy

Summer 1 2025

Year 2

Writing

In writing, we will begin the half term writing our own poems using similes to describe castle jobs and the different parts of a castle. We will write some detailed descriptions of a dragon using lots of exciting and ambitious vocabulary. We will learn about the features of a recount and write our own recounts based on our trip to Skipton Castle.

Reading

In reading, we will continue to focus on our reading skills – infer, retrieve, summarise and predict. We will read 'The Egg' and the story 'A Dragon Machine'. We will also read a wide selection of other non-fiction books about castles to gain knowledge about castles.

Maths

In Maths, we will learn about measuring using standard measures, such as centimetres (cm), metres (m), grams (g), kilograms (kg), millilitres (ml) and litres (l).

The children will also learn to identify $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{2}{4}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{3}{4}$ of shapes and amounts.

Finally, the children will be applying all their mathematical knowledge to solving problems in different contexts and consolidate their learning for the year in preparation for Year 2 assessments.

Computing

In computing, we will be continuing to utilise our Chromebooks in all areas of the curriculum. We will also be learning how to use spreadsheets, edit, save and adding images. Children will also a table of data on a spreadsheet and will use the data to create a block graph.

Music

The children will be introduced to famous pieces of composition. The children will interpret a storyboard with sound effects and develop their own ideas using sound and percussion.

PHSE

In this unit, children will explore the question 'What helps us grow and stay healthy?' They will build upon their prior knowledge of the Science unit about how we take care of ourselves. They will learn the different things that help their bodies to be healthy, including food and drink, physical activity, sleep and rest.

Castles



Design Technology

In DT, we will be researching the different parts of a castle and then designing and making a functioning portcullis using a slider mechanism to lift and drop.

PE

Dance- Pupils explore space and how their bodies can move to express ideals, mood and character's feelings.

Invasion Games- Invasion games are games where there are two teams and two goals. Teams try to score in the opposition's goal. Examples include football, handball, rugby, netball, basketball, hockey.

Science

Children will learn about the different ways to maintain a healthy lifestyle. They will learn about what foods we need to eat to gain the right nutrition and keep a balanced diet. They will also learn how good hygiene, sleep and lots of exercise all contribute to keeping them healthy.

History

In history, we will be learning about the social history of people who worked in and around castles and how castles have evolved throughout history.

Excellence and Enjoyment Factors

Children will visit Skipton Castle for an enriching trip. They will get to apply all their learning to the day and then gain further knowledge to take back with them to support them in their writing.