

# Year 2 Learning Leaflet

## Topic

**Art and Design** - drawing and designing pictures in the style of Paul Klee's 'The Castle and the Sun'.

**Geography** - Locate where all the famous towers are in the world. Are there any towers in Silsden?

**History** - order castles from oldest to newest. Learn what parts of the castle were used for.

**D&T** - Design a 'strong' castle for the 3 Little Pigs.

## Towers, Tunnels and Turrets.

Welcome back to Year 2. The weeks holiday went so fast, but now we are back with our batteries recharged ready for an action packed half term. This leaflet will tell you all about what your child will be learning.

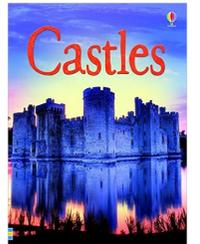
Our second Year 2 topic is called 'Towers, Tunnels and Turrets'. We will study this topic for five weeks, then we will turn our thoughts to Christmas for the last two weeks.

The children will be learning all about the different parts of a castle and our visit to Skipton castle will enhance their learning. They will also be learning about towers around the world and this will be linked to the story of Rapunzel.

The topic will culminate with a banquet (our Christmas party!) where the children can dress up as kings, queens, knights, princes or princesses.

## English

This half term we will be learning all about non-fiction books. The children will be learning how to use the index page and a glossary of a non-fiction book by learning how to order words in alphabetical order. By the end of term they will have learnt the skills to enable them to write their own non-fiction book about castles.



## Maths

The children will build on their place value knowledge to:

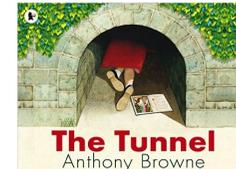
Add and subtract numbers.

Show that the addition of two numbers can be done in any order and subtraction of one number from another cannot.

Solve problems with addition and subtraction

Recall multiplication facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

They will also be learning the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.



## Dates for the diary

Wed 1st Nov	Parents Evening 3:45 –6:30pm
Wed 8th Nov	Parents Evening 3:45 –6:30pm
Fri 17th Nov	Children In Need—Non Uniform
Mon 20th Nov	Visit to Skipton Castle
Thu 30th Nov	Christmas Shopping Event 7-9pm Silsden Sports Club
Mon 4th Dec	Grand Christmas Raffle draw
Tue 5th Dec	Year 2 Christmas Assembly 9:30am and 2pm
Wed 6th Dec	Christingle for the children — Methodist Church 10am
Thu 14th Dec	Whole school Christmas party
Fri 15th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day / Carol singing in the village
Fri 15th Dec	School closes and reopens Wednesday 3rd Jan 2018

## RE

In RE this half term the children will learn about places that are special, and of course the Christmas story. They will be making a Christingle and writing about the meaning of a Christingle.

## Science

The children will be observing how plants grow from bulbs and learn why plants that grow from bulbs can start growing in the winter. They will also use their previous learnt knowledge of materials to make a strong castle for the 3 Little Pigs.