

Topic Statement

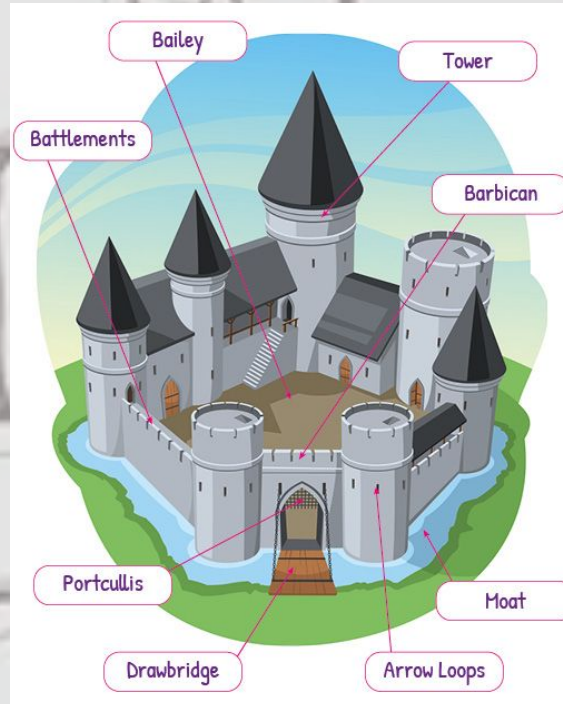
Within our history based topic this term, we will be exploring all things castle related! The children will start by learning about the parts of a castle, their purposes and how they've changed throughout history.

They will also be learning about the ways in which castles were attacked and defended, with a closer look into the Battle of Hastings. Linking up with science, they will get the chance to build a miniature trebuchet and use it to find out how the weight of an object affects the distance travelled.

Further on in the term, children will explore what life was like in a castle in medieval times. They will learn about the different roles people had in a castle and have a go at some traditional castle crafts and trades. In art lessons, Chestnut Class will be experimenting with different collage techniques inspired by Paul Klee's famous artwork - Castle and Sun.



Castles



Key words

Castle
Moat
Motte
Bailey
Keep
Turrets
Portcullis
Battlements
Chronological

Battle of Hastings
William the Conqueror
Trebuchet
Medieval
Squires
Lord & lady
Knights
Stewards
chaplain

National Curriculum Objectives

KS1 History:

- Learn about events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally.
- Learn about significant historical events, people and places in their own locality.
- Learn about the lives of significant individuals

KS1 Science:

- Working scientifically; performing simple tests; using their observations to suggest answers to questions; gathering and recording data.
- Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made.
- Identify and name a variety of everyday materials.

KS1 Art:

- Use a range of materials creatively to design and make products
- develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space.
- learn about the work of a range of artists, craft makers and designers.