

Year 1 - Medium Term Planning

Aspirations – Collaboration – Connections – Creativity - Expression

Learning Unit 2 – Castles (6 weeks)							
Experiences / Visits	Visit to Tamworth/Tutbury Castle Presentation of castles to parents Forest Schools						
SUBJECT	PRIOR KNOWLEDGE	EXPECTED	POSSIBLE MISCONCEPTIONS	Further Extension			
HISTORY KSU	Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society	Use historical vocabulary, relating to the passing of time (a long time ago, before they were born, before their grandparents were born now, over 900 years ago) Develop an awareness of chronology by placing events on a	Some children may think: we can't find out about very long ago because we weren't there	Using their knowledge of castles and roles of people that lived in			
Significant historical place	Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now,	timeline (e.g. for Tutbury Castle: It was built 1071, Castle attacked 1264, Repaired and rebuilt in 1300s, Mary, Queen of Scots imprisoned at Tutbury in 1569, after Mary's departure it was allowed to decay and was demolished between 1647-48)	• castles are fictional, from stories	castles, explain why they would / would not want to live in a castle			
Know how Know how to	drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class	Observe and use pictures, photographs and artefacts to find out about the past Compare photos and pictures from the past and the present					
	Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling Comment on images of	Know why castles were built (as homes for kings, royalty and important public figures, to protect them from unwanted intruders) Identify some of the key features of a castle and the main purpose of the features (battlements, portcullis, moats, high walls, drawbridge, arrow slits, tower) Identify and explain some of the different roles of people who lived in castles (use stories and non-fiction books to explore this)					
	familiar situations in the past	Know about a significant place (castle) in their local area (Tamworth/Tutbury Castle)					
SCIENCE KSU	Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding	Describe simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials using everyday language or simple science vocabulary: (hard/soft; stretchy/stiff; shiny/dull; rough/smooth; flexible/ rigid; waterproof; transparent) Group and sort everyday materials according to their simple	• the object and the material are the same thing (i.e. they might think that. the word 'rock' describes an object	What is the best material for an umbrella? What is the best			
Everyday Materials	Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary	physical properties Name a range of everyday materials including wood, plastic, metal, rock, brick, cardboard Distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made	rather than a material)only fabrics are materialsonly building materials are materials	material for a lining a dog basket? What is the best			
Know how to	Talk about the differences between materials and changes they notice. Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside	Explain what they notice about the materials castles were made from (after looking at photographs and artists' drawings of castles) What materials do you think castles were built from? Understand that different materials were used for different purposes when building castles (Where in the castles did people use stone, wood, straw, clay / earth to build with? Why do you think people used all of these different materials?) Apply their understanding of materials and their properties to create a castle model that will be stable (test how stable the houses are by giving them a shake) and keep the characters inside dry (use a water spray bottle to test and observe) Working Scientifically Observe closely, using simple equipment Identify and classify materials Perform simple tests to explore the properties of materials Use observations and ideas to answer questions	Children may not appreciate that the use of a particular material may have advantages and disadvantages	material for a bookshelf? Explain why you think that.			



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	Children will have explored	Drawing	Some children may think:	Evaloin to a nautner
ART AND DESIGN	a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour,	Use a sketchbook to gather artwork depicting castles	all pencils will create the same type of lines	Explain to a partner how I created lines of different thickness
KSU	design, texture, form and function independently and with others	Closely observe drawings of castles, including Tamworth/Tutbury castle	• pencil lines will be one colour	
Drawing (lines, form and shading)	They will have shared their artistic creations and talked about what they created	Use different size pencils to explore different lines (applying heavy or light pressure, different angles, creating lines of different thickness in their sketchbook)		
Know Know how to	They will have asked and answered 'how' and 'why' questions about their experiences or stories	Know how to use a viewfinder to focus on form (different sections of a castle – battlements, portcullis) and explore changing lines, size and shape		
		Explore shading techniques, using one colour to show different textures and shades		
		Notice the impact of shading in drawings and know how to add shading to a picture		
		Apply their knowledge of line, form and shading to complete a drawing of a castle (could be Tamworth/Tutbury castle)		
DT	Children will have used small tools, such as cutlery,	RESEARCH : Observe pictures and videos of castles and comment on what they notice about them	Some children may think:	Children to consider:
DT KSU	scissors and tools to manipulate malleable materials	Focusing on drawbridges, explain their function and how they work	all castles had drawbridges (Depending on their location)	What was difficult about designing and making a
Design, Make,		DESIGN : Design my own castle with a hinged door and a working drawbridge	and the era in which they were built, a castle would not	castle? Why?
Evaluate: Castles	They will have constructed with a range of materials and tools i.e. blocks, bricks and boxes	Experiment with materials and practise joints for drawbridge (hinge joint and pulley)	necessarily have moats and drawbridges. All would have defensive structures, such as walls, gates, and towers.	How would I teach someone else to
Hinged door and working drawbridge	DOACS	MAKE: Know how to safely use scissors to cut battlements Know how to create basic hinge joint by folding card	Medieval castles were usually defended by a ditch or moat, crossed by wooden bridge. In early castles the bridge might	make a drawbridge? Draw pictures to show the process.
Know		Know how to safely poke a hole through	be designed to be destroyed or removed in the event of an	
Know how to		cardboard Be able to thread string through a hole and stick it in place (use split pin)	attack, but drawbridges became common.)	
		EVALUATE : Evaluate their finished castles – do they meet the design criteria? Consider how they could be made stronger, stiffer and more stable.		
		English Heritage castle model		
NB: PE in Year 1 is each unit different dependent	Foundations of:	Power of PE Gymnastics:	Children may think:	Challenge more
on class (rota of swimming) PE (Dragonflies and Ladybirds)	Agility Running and Stopping Throwing and Catching	Develop an understanding of the five different types of balances (1 point, 2 point, 3 point, 4 point and patch) Hold in a balance showing control (3-4 seconds)Hold a balance showing balance and extension (straight legs and pointed toes) for	They balance on one leg (rather than understanding balancing with different religious of content)	able pupils to hold balances for longer (up to 9 seconds)
GYMNASTICS		5-6 seconds Create routines containing balances with control and extension	points of contact)	Challenge more
Know		AND fluency from one balance to the other Travel safely in a range of ways		able pupils to work
Know how to		Use their developing knowledge of balances to apply to basic apparatus (benches and boxes) to combine travelling movements		towards balance on box top
		and balances		



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PE (Busy Bees) KSU SWIMMING Know Know how to	Starting points established in the first Learning Unit. Children's progress is monitored and this information is used to inform teaching.	Enter and exit the pool safely using the steps Be able to follow directions from the swimming instructor Develop the flutter kick swimming technique where your legs execute kind of a whipping motion (kick your socks off) Doggy paddle - Float in the water in a more or less horizontal position and keep your head above the water surface and look forward. Legs do a flutter kick and you paddle forward and downwards with your arms To notice change in breathing when exercising. To know that the heart beats faster during exercise. To talk about how exercise makes them feel. To know that exercise is an important part of being healthy and relate exercise to each PE lesson. To join in with discussions about how the skills they learn during swimming lessons can be transferred outside of school – swimming in local pool, going on holiday.	Children may think that: Swimming is for older children Swimming isn't exercise	Children challenged appropriately by swimming instructors
COMPUTING KSU Animated Story Books (Purple Mash) Know	The children will be familiar with 'Mini Mash'. They will have accessed different resources on Mini Mash linked to the different areas of learning (Y1 teachers can refer to the Reception Computing Purple Mash Plans)	Animated Story Books Know the difference between a traditional book and an e-book Use the different drawing tools to create a picture on the page, add text to a page and change the colour, font and size of the text Know how to save their work and save changes in their work Know how to open saved work Know how to add an animation to their picture, play the pages they have created and save changes Add sound to a story including voice recording and music the children have created Add a background to the page and copy and paste a page in the book Enhance the features of their story book by adding additional pages and animations	Some children may think that: • animated story books are difficult to make • animated books are only suitable for very young children	Decide which pages need to have the text read out so that the story makes sense to all viewers. Can they think of a way to include sound effects as well as a voice over? (Add the sound effect whilst talking perhaps?) Set a story-writing activity for the children as a 2Do.
RE KSU Creation Story (Christianity) (Discovery RE) Know	Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class They will have listened to stories of the Christmas story and talked about their own experiences of Christmas or other religious festivals	Theme: Christmas Concept: Incarnation Religion: Christianity British Values: Mutual Respect, Tolerance SMSC: Spiritual, Cultural Talk about a gift that is special to me Remember some of The Christmas Story and the important people in the story Suggest a gift I would give to Jesus Reflect on the Christmas story and decide what gifts would be meaningful for Jesus Develop some awareness that Jesus is special to Christians Describe some gifts I would give to Jesus if he was born here rather than Bethlehem	Everyone believes in Jesus and celebrates Christmas	Talk about special gifts they have received and recall gifts given to Jesus
PSHE KSU Celebrating Difference (Jigsaw PSHE) Know	Identify something they are good at and understand everyone is good at different things Understand that being different makes us special Know we are all different but the same in some ways Explain why their home is special to them Know how to be a kind friend Know which words to use to stand up for myself when someone is unkind to me	Theme: Celebrating Difference British Values: Individual Liberty, Mutual Respect, Tolerance SMSC: Social, Moral, Spiritual Emotional Literacy: Self-awareness, Social Skills, Empathy Identify similarities and differences between people in my class Explain some ways in which I am similar and different to my friends Know what bullying is (use the STOP acronym Several Times On Purpose) Know some people I can talk to if I am feeling unhappy or being bullied Know how to make new friends (be kind, use kind words, give and receive compliments)	Children may think • bullying is when someone falls out with you • bullying is only when someone is physically aggressive • falling out is the same as bullying • fighting is the same as bullying	Suggest solutions to 'What if?' problems What if someone called you a bad name? What if someone was threatening to beat up your friend? What if someone was being mean to you when you were playing a game online?

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