

Castles & Knights

Falcon Class

Curriculum Letter - Summer 1 2026

Hello noble knights!

I hope you had a relaxing Easter Break. This half-term we will be putting on our armour and riding in to the world of castles. We will be learning about the history and design of castles as well as exploring the traditions of noble knights. Below are some useful ideas on how you can support your child. Thank you for your continued support, it does make a difference!

Mr Stamp, Miss Butler-Waite & Mrs Mercer 😊

English

We will be learning to write descriptions about fantasy castles using the book 'Castles' by Colin Thomas.

You could help your child at home by:

Reading and retelling stories with castles in them e.g. Jack and the Beanstalk and talking about the characters and language in them.

There are numerous Jack and the Beanstalk videos on YouTube that your child could watch.

Reading books about castles and finding out information about the different parts and their history.

Visiting a real local castle and finding out some fun facts about it from leaflets (E.g. Porchester Castle, which is free!)

Maths

Some of the things we will be exploring include:

- Fractions
- Statistics

You could help your child at home by using food as examples e.g.

- **Pizza Slices:** Show how a pizza is divided into slices. For example, if you cut a pizza into 4 slices, each slice is $\frac{1}{4}$ of the pizza.
- **Chocolate Bars:** Break a chocolate bar into pieces. If you break it into 4 equal pieces, each piece represents $\frac{1}{4}$.
- **Fruit:** Cut fruits like apples or oranges into halves or quarters, explaining the concept of fractions.



History

In History, we will study who built castles. We will be looking at Medieval Castles (Arundel). The website below contains lots of useful information about castles:
[School Learning Zone - Castles](#)

PE

P.E. is going to be outdoors this half term. Please ensure your child has their **full PE kit** in school every day.

Parent helpers

I would like to invite parents who could spare any time to hear readers in school, as this is the most important skill we can develop with the children and your help makes a huge difference!

Please let me or the school office know if you can spare any time to do this 😊