

## Terrific Topic— Spring 2 week 1

**PLEASE NOTE— JUST TO GIVE YOU ADVANCE NOTICE: YOU WILL NEED A SIMPLE SET OF WATER-COLOUR PAINTS FOR NEXT WEEK'S TOPIC WORK.**



### Wednesday pm: Parts of a Castle

WAL: About significant historical events, people and places (HIST)

To identify and name a variety of everyday materials, including wood, plastic, glass, metal, water and rock

Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials (SCI)

Show your child the '**Castles Powerpoint**'. Identify and talk about the different parts of the castle and their functions. Talk, too, about the materials used and why.

Spread out the **Castles words and photocards** (if you print these out I suggest 4 to a page as at the moment they are A4 size) as reference for spellings/identification. Ask your child if they can identify the different parts of the castle on the cards.

Year R and Year 1:

Children to complete **Twinkl labelling parts of castle worksheet** (the answers are in the PDF file, but please see what your child remembers themselves, rather than just reproducing the sheet by copying it).



Year 1: Describe a castle (Yr R join in if you want)

Purple Mash. Children to choose a castle picture and describe it by typing on the computer.

Go to [Purple Mash by 2Simple](https://www.purplemash.com/sch/buriton) using this link (website is <https://www.purplemash.com/sch/buriton>)

- Log in using login Reception password Reception
- Try to help your child to sign in and get started on the task by reading out the instructions and allowing them to click things themselves.
- First click on 'Topics', scroll down and click on 'Castles and Knights' and select 'Castle captions'. Click 'OK' to get started.
- Choose a picture of a castle by clicking on the little green cross in the top right of the box. Select a photo and use the bar on the right to zoom in or out.
- Use the wordbank and your new words to help you to write about your picture.
- When you've finished your work, click on save (top left hand corner—purple square with three lines on) and save to 'My Work', making sure you put your NAME and Castles caption.
- If you would like to make a castle book, you're welcome to choose more pictures to write about—just make sure that each one is saved with your name and 'castles caption 2' etc.

## Thursday pm: History of Castles: Motte and Bailey

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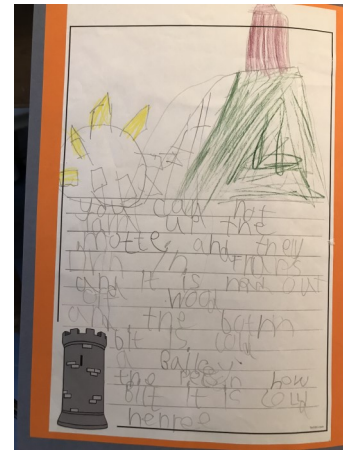
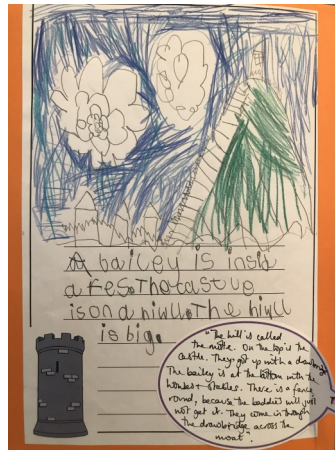
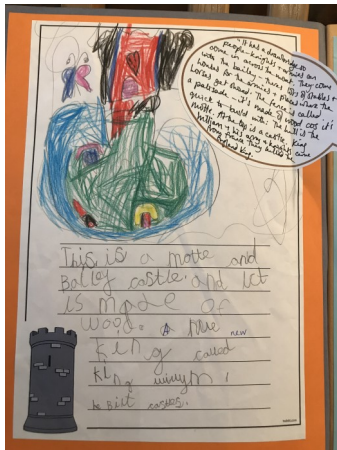
Describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials (SCI)

Show your child the video about Motte and Bailey castles on the video page (I suggest you turn the sound down and pause it to read and explain to your child so they get a good look at the pictures): [What were Motte and Bailey Castles? - YouTube](#) . Talk about what you have learnt.

Yr 1 Children use the 'Castle writing frame' to very carefully draw a Motte and Bailey castle and write a couple of sentences about it: please also scribe a speech bubble for them too, to show their understanding (see photos below). (don't print whole thing—choose the appropriate worksheets) I have put a vocabulary **Wordmat** on the website to help.



Yr R to draw a Motte and Bailey castle (or join in with activity above).



## Fri pm: Motte and Bailey labelling/making

Show your child the 'Motte and Bailey Powerpoint' and discuss what they can remember whilst you are looking at the slides.

Look at the DK hotspot webpage by clicking the link here: [Motte And Bailey Castles Facts | Early Castles | DK Find Out](#) - can your child remember the names of the basic parts of the Motte and Bailey castle, and tell you about them? Click on the labels to find out if you are right.

Look at the more detailed 'Motte-and-bailey-castle-hotspots-information-poster' PDF, which is an interactive poster that you can click on to uncover information.

### Follow-on activities:

Year 1: Red/Yellow groups add labels and captions to the Label a Motte and Bailey Castle worksheet; Green group just labels. Year R join in if you choose, or perhaps Colour a Motte and Bailey Castle

Optional extra — Have a go at making your very own Motte and Bailey Castle—see the Make a Motte and Bailey Castle Paper-Craft PDF on the website



Motte and Bailey Castle Paper Model

