



Science and Technology

The children will investigate catapults and how far they fire missiles. They will also be looking at various physical and chemical changes in the world around us, including reversible and irreversible changes.

Dissolving substances and looking at solvents and solutions. We will also investigate sound and how sounds are heard.

The pupils will learn how to produce PowerPoints, use data bases, and recap online safety.

Health and Wellbeing

The pupils will continue their daily mindfulness, teaching them calming breathing techniques to manage their emotions. In addition, the children will participate in Forest school activities using our outdoor classroom and environment. We will make some ancient recipes to plan a medieval banquet. They will listen to a range of medieval music and learn about the instruments used in the past. They will also participate in some traditional dances.



Mr Jenkins will continue to deliver weekly PE sessions, and the children will be taught the basics of some competitive games such as football and netball. Learning the techniques and skills to participating in small team games. PE will be every Tuesday.

This term we will also be going swimming at the Flash each Thursday. Please remember to pack swimming kits and towels.



Expressive Arts



The children will investigate the artwork of Powis castle in particular the portraits of the people who lived there. We will produce our own portraits in a variety of media to create our own gallery of artwork.

We will also look at sceptres and orbs and design our own royal artefacts.

This term they will participate in a number of music-based activities listening and responding to mediaeval music and instrumentation.



Humanities

The children will be studying the history and development of castles through the ages. In addition, we will learn about the different roles people had in castles and about the daily life of a castle in the medieval period.

We will also study the artefacts in the Clive collection and its links to colonialism and slavery.

We will look at aspects of the Hindu religion including Diwali and learn about the gods and goddesses, special texts, and celebrations of Hinduism.



We will also study the importance of Christmas for Christians.





Powis Castle

This term we are learning all about Powis castle.



Language, Literacy and Communication

This term, the children will be learning about Powis Castle. We will be undertaking research around the development of castles and describing different types of castles in Wales. We will recap our grammar using capital letters and correct punctuation. We will do work around conjunctions to improve our sentences and use these skills to write a recount of our trip to the castle. The children will also be writing a leaflet about the castle, describing the artwork in the castle, and producing a fantasy story linked to the castle and its gardens. We will examine the artefacts in the Clive Museum and its links to colonialism and slavery. The children will take part in debates on the artwork and its link to colonialism. We will do weekly phonics and spelling work and the children will participate in daily guided reading activities, comprehension, handwriting and enjoying listening to a range of stories and texts online through Get Epic. We will also be using spelling shed and Nessy to support our learners.

Numeracy and Mathematics

We will be revisiting place value including the value of digits in 3- and 4-digit numbers, ordering and number sequences leading to addition and subtraction. We will look at rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000 and comparing numbers using the more than and less than signs ($>$ $<$). The children will also look at money and use this to calculate admission prices to Powis castle, items in the shop and café. The pupils will continue their work on addition and subtraction using number lines and column methods. We will look at multiplication and division and use online resources to support our learning such as Spalshlearn and Times table Rockstars.

Welsh

This Term we will complete our work on Disgrifo Ffrind where the pupils will learn how to describe their friends, including their hobbies, appearance and personality and ask and answer questions about their friends. In addition, Mrs Andrews will deliver a few lessons around our topic of Powis Castle in Welsh, sharing Welsh vocabulary and phrases to do with the castle. Each day they will continue to practice their basic Welsh with the 15-minute practice sessions. Each week the pupils will also have a Welsh guided reading session with one of our volunteers.



How can you help?



You can support your children at home, by talking about their learning in school, listening to them read regularly, at least three times a week for 15 minutes and discuss the text asking your child questions to help them improve their levels of comprehension. Please continue to support your child with their spellings and times tables.