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# This Spring term in Year 2 we will be learning...

#### Literacy

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Children will be taught Literacy on a daily basis with an hour lesson each day. Children will be taught in Read Write Inc sessions or through topic related literacy lessons focusing on fiction writing, exploring characters, setting and story structure. We will be learning to use varied sentence openers, connectives, adjectives and similes in order to develop writing style.

#### History

In History children will learn about the history of the British Monarchy, in particular, different Kings and Queens that have ruled. They will learn about how life during specific reigns differs to our lives today.

#### P.E

The children will take part in 2 P.E lessons each week. One lesson will be skills based, led by a PE specialist and will focus on gymnastics. The second lesson will emphasise the importance of fitness for being healthy.

#### Numeracy

Children will continue to develop their skills in partitioning and recombining and apply this to addition and subtraction calculation. They will also practice multiplication tables and related division facts. They will be solving real life problems involving counting, adding, subtracting, doubling, halving, multiplication and division. We will learn about the fractions of numbers and shape.

# Kings, Queens & happy ever after!



#### Science

In science we will be exploring materials and their properties. We will plan, carry out and evaluate experiments on materials.

# Music

Children will be taught music by Mrs Milner, a specialist music teacher. Children will have opportunities to listen to music from different eras as well as exploring and creating musical patterns.

# Art and DT

The children will look at portraits of monarchs and famous landscapes from different periods. We will explore a range of art techniques such as pencil, paint, textiles and sculpture to create their own portraits. In DT we will be exploring materials and model making.

#### Computing

In Computing, children will be using search engines on the internet to help them research information about monarchs of the past. They will then word process this information. They will revisit esafety during this time too.

### R.E & PSHCE

In R.E children will be taught about what Christians believe with regards to the good news that Jesus brings us. They will use discussion, art work and writing activities to explore their ideas.

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Your child will bring home new words to learn. They will be tested every Friday. Please help them to practise their spellings.

### Homework:

Weekly homework will consist of reading and spelling. During this topic we will also ask that the children research a monarch of their choice and create a poster/project to present to their peers. Further information on this will follow.

# P.E:

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There are two P.E. sessions per week and this half term we will focus on gymnastics and keeping fit. Your child should have their P.E. kit in school each day; this should consist of named shorts, t-shirt and plimsolls or trainers. P.E. will be on Wednesdays and Fridays this half term.

# Water Bottles:

Please continue to send your child to school each day with a named water bottle. There is a box in the classroom where children can store their bottles. Please ensure they are washed and refreshed daily.

# Visits/visitors:

We are hoping to visit Alnwick Castle during the latter part of this term. Details to follow.

Finally, if you have any concerns or questions regarding your child, please do not hesitate to contact us. Mrs Abbott and Mrs Southern