Picknalls First School This half term Year 1's topic will be Castles, Knights & Dragons.

Please help your child to explore this topic;



This half term, we will be focussing on using world maps to identify the United Kingdom, use simple compass directions and locational language to describe where castles are in the United Kingdom. We will also compare a castle in the United Kingdom and a castle in a European country.

P.E.

This half term in year 1, we will be focussing on the topics of dance, in which we will be developing a routine as a whole class. We will also be focussing on orienteering as our other P.E topic.

RHE:

This half term, we will be focusing on relationships. We will be looking in particularly at bullying and body language. We will engage in class discussions about good choices to ensure we have positive relationships alongside the support from Deedee.

Science

We will be learning how to work scientifically this half term in science. We will be looking at some small experiments to support this and using our prior learning of materials to enable us to give good predictions towards the experiments.

Art & DT

We will be focussing on drawing dragon eyes and using the art techniques of colour, line and space. In DT we will be building a castle out of recycled materials, focussing on strong buildings.

Music.

This half term we will be focusing on musical conversations. The children will develop their confidence in playing an instrument and making short musical sentences.



English

This half term in Phonics, we will be continuing to learn phase 5 sounds as well as recapping sounds already taught. We will work hard to start applying these into our writing. We will still focus on ensuring we can structure a sentence and use a capital letter, finger space and full stop. We will also begin to include 'I' into our work to add detail to our sentences. We will be focussing on narratives of the stories we look at and being able to write a short narrative and order stories read to us. We will read a book a week based around our topic to help us with

Maths

This half term, we will be looking at place. 20. Children will understand the teen numbers and different ways of representing them. The children will compare and order numbers within 20 and be able to use a number line to 20. Towards the end of the half term we will look at number bonds to 20 and doubling numbers.