

Castles and Knights

Wagtail Class - Term 2



We have had a really exciting Term 2, packed full of lots of interesting learning opportunities. Our topic has been 'Castles and Knights' and we are sure the children have been telling you all about their activities for this. We have focussed on learning about the features of a castle and going on to explore the Battle of Hastings and how this has impacted British history.

We have explored the timeline of the Battle of Hastings, creating fact files and looked at the Bayeaux Tapestry which depicted the battle, going on to create our own! Finally after all of our learning around it we had our very own battle on the



school field with Kingfisher Class!





In English we read <u>Zog</u> by Julia Donaldson and created job adverts for a flying dragon doctor, using adjectives in our writing to add description. We also celebrated Everybody Reads Day by dressing up as fairytale characters and retelling The Gingerbread Man.

In Maths we have been learning how to add and subtract numbers within 20 and I identifying 2D and 3D shapes and their properties, along with creating repeating patterns.



labelling body parts. We have also observed the changing of seasons and weather.





In Art/ DT we have designed crowns and we celebrated with a Medieval Ball with feasting, juggling and dancing...



Although this term didn't finish quite as we planned the children had opportunities to write a letter to Father Christmas in our last week together and create some Christmas crafts, including decorations. We also read 'The Snowflake mistake' and the children designed and described their own snowflake machine.

A super well done to all the children who have completed their Home Learning Challenges, Bug Club reading and Mathletics homework each week! Every Friday we also celebrate a student who has been "FLYING HIGH" in a specific area in our Key Stage 1 Zoom Worship session and children earn rewards for completing their homework!





We wish you all a lovely Christmas and a Happy New Year!

From, Mrs Skinner, Mrs Fitter, Mrs Collins and Miss Tolhurst \boldsymbol{x}

