



WINHILLS

Year 1 and Year 2

Fortnightly Newsletter

Year 1 English

In year 1, we have been creating a non-fiction book all about Castles. We have identified the key parts of non-fiction texts; researched Castles using non-fiction books and have created our own text. Once we complete this topic, we are going to begin looking exploring the story 'No Dragons in this Story'. We will use this book to further our knowledge of traditional tales.

Year 2 English

The half term the children have started off gathering facts and information to write their own non-chronological reports. We have looked at and identified the different features of non-chronological reports. We are then moving on to a new story for the rest of the term. This is called 'The princess and the white bear king'.

Year 1 Maths

In maths the children have been focusing on expanding their knowledge of addition. We have been using the part-part whole model and a range of resources to solve addition sentences and find missing parts. This week we will also begin to explore subtraction using a variety of resources.

Year 2 Maths

In year 2 the children have been learning and refining their addition and subtraction skills. We have looked in to new methods such as using tens frames, number lines and beginning to use column methods. The children are applying these skills to solve a range of number and word problems.

Science

Our topic this half term is 'Animals Including Humans'. We have started off by looking at humans. The children have been learning the different parts of the human body, all about the senses, keeping healthy, hygiene and what a balance diet it. The children will be learning about the different food groups and what the body needs to keep healthy.

Topic

Our topic of Castles has continued this half term and our knowledge has grown immensely. We have furthered our understanding of the job roles people had in Medieval times and have begun exploring Monarchs. To add to this, we will also be learning about the weapons which would have been used in Medieval fights.

Reminders

We change our reading books on a **Monday, Wednesday and Friday**. Please can the children bring their books in on these days to ensure they can be changed. Please aim to complete **five reads and a book talk** each week, this is an easy way for your child to earn Dojo points.

PE is on **Wednesdays**, so children should come to school in their PE kit.

Year 2 children should be completing 30 minutes of Numbots each week. The children will be rewarded with Dojo points for completing their Numbots homework.

Nurture

Inspire

Flourish