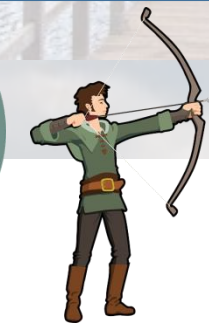


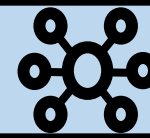
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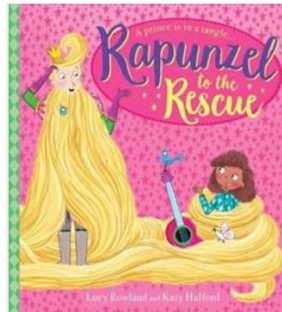


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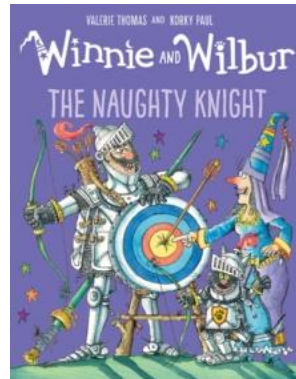
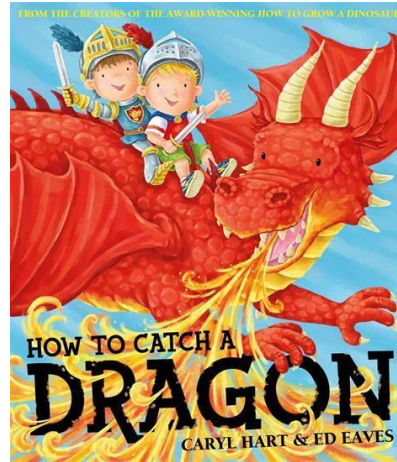
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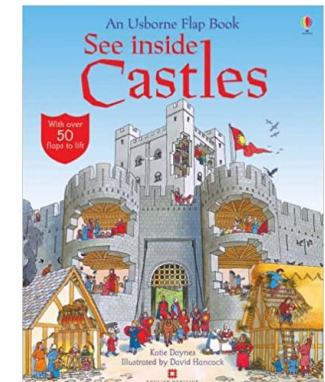
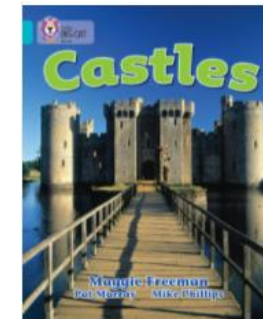
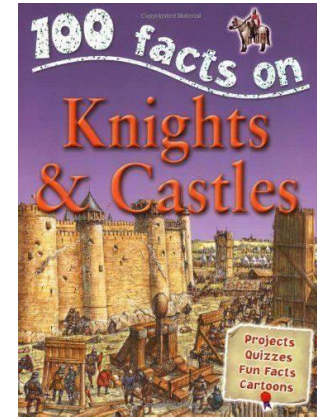
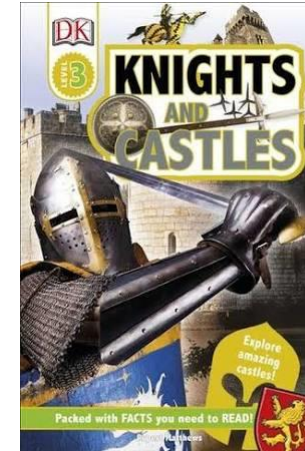
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The Princess and the Pea

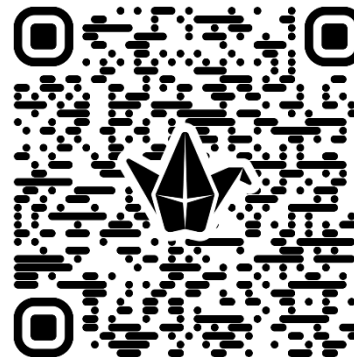


Non-Fiction












Visit the Year 1 – Spring 1 Padlet page to access resources to share at home via the link or QR code:

<https://padlet.com/year1cavclosei/what-s-inside-a-castle-s-walls-1tvdnt55n169umtt>



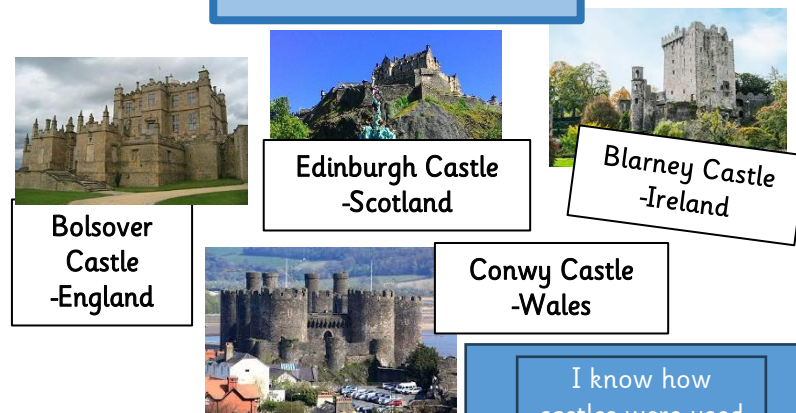
Vocabulary

Castle	A castle is a strong building. An important person such as a king or a ruler would have stayed there.	
Battlements	The battlements are the square shaped openings at the top of the castle walls. The openings were used to shoot out from and stand behind for protection.	
Drawbridge	The drawbridge is lowered over the moat to allow people to get into the castle.	
Dungeon	A dungeon is a strong prison cell, which is normally underneath a castle.	
Moat	A moat is a deep ditch that goes all the way around a castle. It could be filled with water. The moat makes it difficult for enemies to invade the castle.	
Knight	A knight normally wore a suit of armour. They used this to protect their bodies when fighting.	
The keep	The keep was a safe place within the castle where people could go if it came under attack.	
The portcullis	The portcullis is a heavy metal grid which can be lowered over the entrance to the castle to stop people getting in easily.	
Arrow slits	Arrow slits were used by knights to shoot out at their enemies. As the slits are long and slim, it makes it harder for enemies to shoot into them.	

What's inside the castle walls?

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Famous castles



Famous people



I know how castles were used in the past.

I know some famous stories with castles in them.

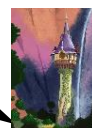
I know the features of a castle.

I know about some people that lived and still live in castles.

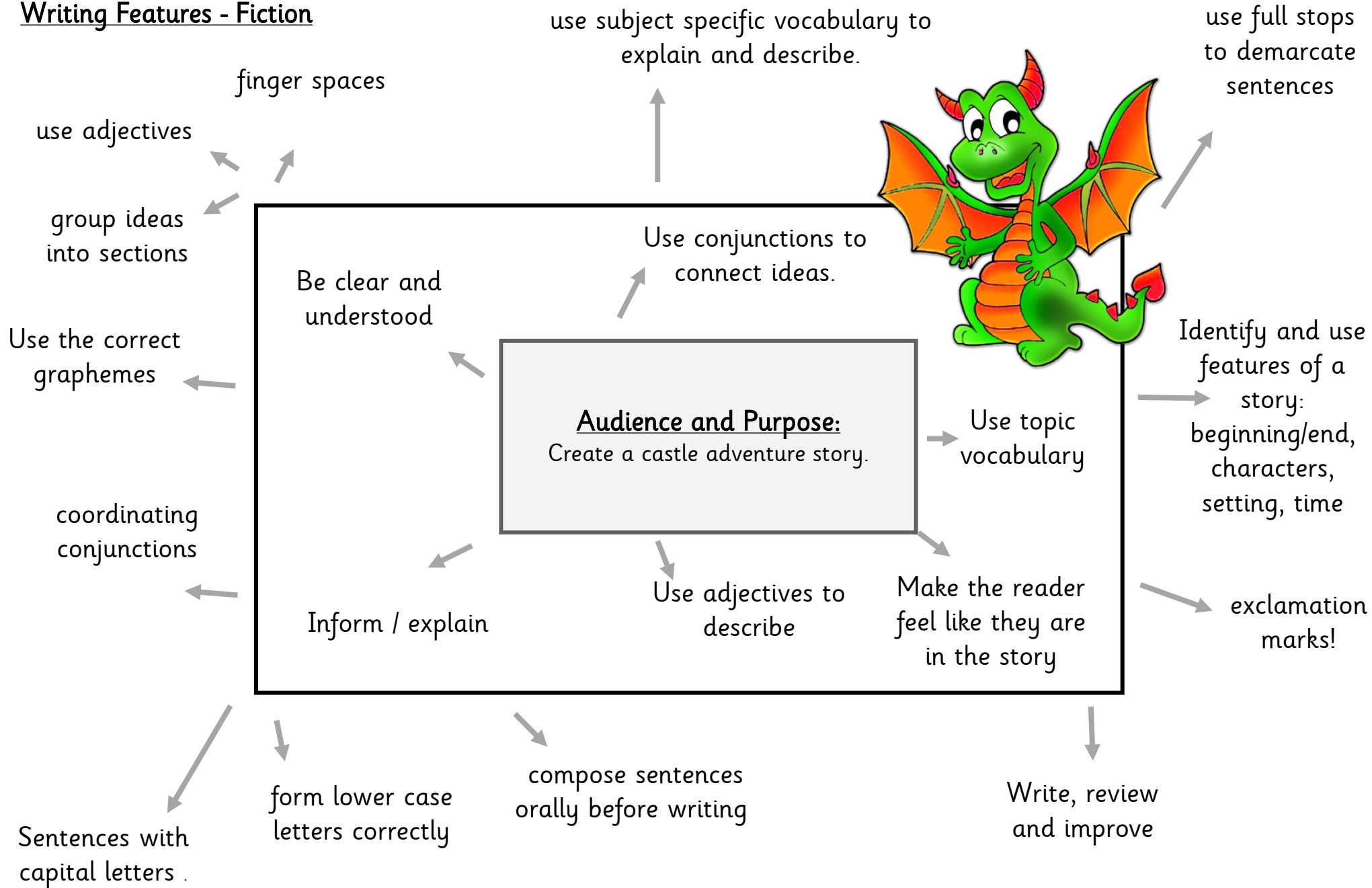


Derby is famous for fine china from Royal Crown Derby.

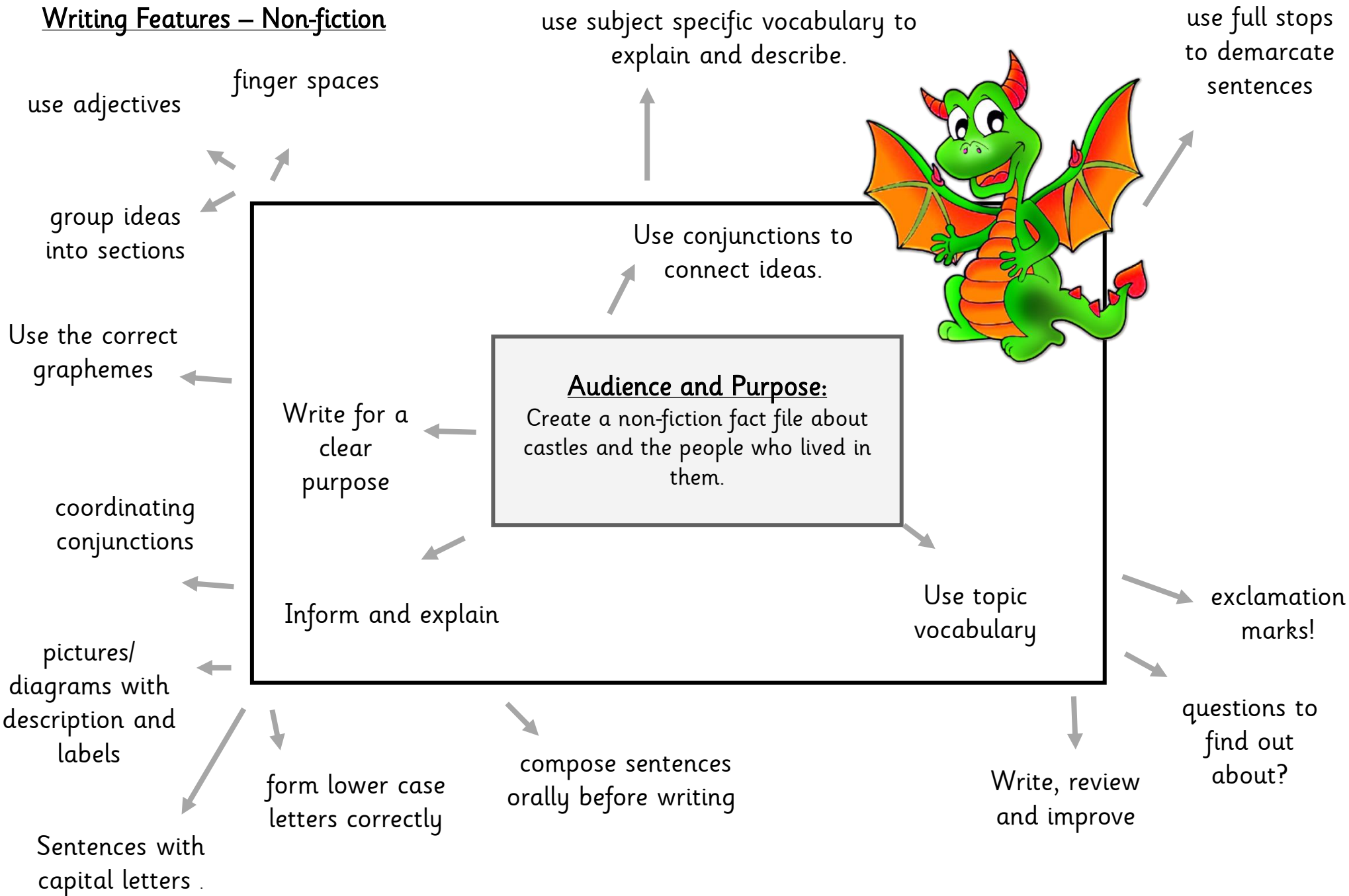
There are castles in many fairy tales.



Writing Features - Fiction



Writing Features – Non-fiction



1.
 - Hook: Topic wonder box – take out an object one at a time, chn to guess what our topic might be.
 - Introduce a dragon character to set the children challenges – What is a castle and where do we find them? (local castles – Elvaston, Tutbury, Bolsover)
 - Shared reading – non-fiction - Castles PPT
 - Labelling a castle. What are the names of the different features? What are their function?
 - Write sentences about the features of a castle, what they are used for and why? What materials are castles made from? Focus- capital letters
 - Handwriting – see topic overview for weekly focus letters.

2.
 - Shared reading non-fiction Castles text.
 - Make a word map of jobs in a castle. Go and Stand - play 'guess who'.
 - Drama - act out jobs. Freeze frame.
 - Write a job application for a medieval job in a castle – 2 days
 - Shared reading – non-fiction Castles. What did people living in castles eat?
<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/castles/food-in-castles/>
 - Medieval menu for a banquet – list of foods with pictures.
 - Handwriting

3.
 - Find out who lives in famous castles today. Learn about Windsor Castle and historical monarchs- Queen Elizabeth II. Learn about King Charles and his coronation. Drama - act out being a member of a royal family.
 - Shared reading non-fiction book about the Queen. (make link to Royal Crown Derby)
 - Write a fact file about the King (2 days)
 - Handwriting

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In English, we will be writing ...

4.
 - Shared reading Rapunzal, Princess and the Pea
 - Shared reading – How to Catch a Dragon/ St George and the dragon.
 - Plan an adventure story with a beginning, middle and end. Think of yourself as a King or Queen character, think of an additional character, problem, solution (6 sections)
 - Create a class bank of sentence starters (One sunny day, Once upon a time... and adjectives (strong, grey, scary, spooky).
 - Write the first section of your story setting the scene and introducing the characters. (2 days)
 - Handwriting

5.
 - Shared reading – How to Catch a Dragon/ St George and the dragon.
 - Write the middle section of your story using different sentence starters and adjectives from the first section. (3 days)
 - Handwriting –
 - Shared reading – castle on the hill song (Twinkl)

6.
 - Write the end of the story – what is the problem/ What is the solution? (2 days)
 - Shared reading – Fictional castle story
 - Handwriting

Let's quiz



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'Let's quiz' is an exciting game for the children.

At the end of every topic they will take part in a fun quiz all about what they have learnt. You can help your child to succeed and remember what they have learnt by talking about the questions together at home.

Research says that when children repeatedly return to previously learnt information, they are more likely to **'Know and Remember More'** in the long term.

- How many famous castles can you name? Which country are they in?
- If you went to visit a castle what would you see?
- If you were to get a job in a castle in the past what would it be?
- How were castles used in the past?
- What stories can you think of with castles in them? Can you name the character? Can you retell the story?
- Who is in our current royal family?
- What do you write about at the beginning of a story?
- Can you say the numbers that have 1 ten in them?
- Tell me how to be safe on the internet.
- What type of pottery is Derby famous for?