

Please find below an overview of your child's learning and open ended homework this term. If you require more detail, please see the subject planning documents available on the website.

English

We will be developing our sentence writing by revisiting our grammar skills from Foundation Stage and Year 1. We will apply our phonics knowledge to help us to write sentences and spell with increasing accuracy.

Mathematics

We will be developing our understanding of addition and subtraction using numbers within 20. We will revisit and draw upon Autumn's skills to learn and apply our knowledge of number bonds for an increased fluency in calculations.

Science

Seasons

We will be learning what the four seasons are and how they differ.

Animals

We will find out about the different types of animals and what makes them unique.

History

Castles

We will focus our learning on Sandal Castle. We will learn about the different parts of the castle and what they were used for. We will find out about the Duke of York and the Battle of Wakefield.

Geography

Making Maps

We will use aerial photographs and maps of Sandal Castle to identify and describe the features and position of them around the castle using N, E, S, W language.

Design Technology

Bridges

We will be designing and making bridges to help the Billy Goat's Gruff to get the safety from the river below. Children will investigate different materials and how we can join them.

Art

Sculptures

We will be creating sculptures in the style of a castle using 'waste materials' by joining them with adhesive and painting the final model.

Music

In the Groove!

We will be listening to and appraising songs from different types of music. We will listen to different music from the Blues, Baroque, Bhangra, Folk and Funk. We will discuss how they are similar and different.

RE

Christianity

We will be learning about Christianity. We will discuss what Christians believe in and what the Bible teaches about God. We will listen to a story from the Bible about 'The Lost Son' and what it means to love and forgive others.

Computing

Coding

We will be beginning to learn how to code using Scratch Jnr (this is a free app if you choose to use at home) where children will move the sprite in different directions using code.

Our Values at Fitzwilliam



Respect
Responsibility
Resilience
Recognition



PE

Gymnastics

We will be developing our skills on how to put a sequence of turns, spins and jumps together using a canon effect.

Outdoor Games

We will learn how to defend, attack and work together in team games to win points using strategy.

PSHE

Living in the Wider World

We will be learning why we have rules and how they keep us and others safe as well as caring for the environment. We will discuss how people use the internet today and how we stay safe using it. We will also learn about the jobs people have in our community.

Children should complete at least one piece of homework from the suggestions below but they can do as many as they would like or may create their own project linked to the curriculum work. Homework can be brought in or posted on Class Dojo at any point during the term. It will be shared in class that week and they will receive an appropriate number of dojo points.

In addition to this, children will have the following weekly homework:

English: Your child will have a weekly English activity to complete each week, linked to spelling, punctuation and grammar. Children will be expected to read at home regularly each week.

Mathematics: A mathematics activity to help practise their arithmetic will also be set each week. Practising number facts, number bonds and number formation which can include using Numbots, is also expected.

Homework will be set every Friday and is expected to be returned by the following Friday at the latest. Children will be rewarded with dojo points for returning homework early and those not returning homework will complete in school on the following Friday.

Please support your child with your chosen homework and enjoy learning with your child.

Talk about...

What you already know about castles.

Why you think castles were built on a hill.

Why knights wore heavy armour.

Are dragons real?

Mark make...

A picture/painting of Sandal Castle or Pontefract castle from the past.

Yourself as the King or Queen of the castle.

A poster of facts about castle life.

Find out...

Where Sandal Castle is and why it is important to Wakefield.

Who the Richard, The Duke of York was.

How castles were used in the past and today.

Design & make...

A model of a castle.

A coat of arms that a castle would display.

A dragon model using 'waste materials'

Do...

A visit to Pontefract or Sandal castle, taking pictures of what you can see.

A play acting out the story of the Battle of Wakefield

A dance to the Grand Old Duke of York.