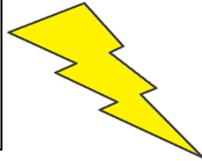


Elm Class Year 5 and 6

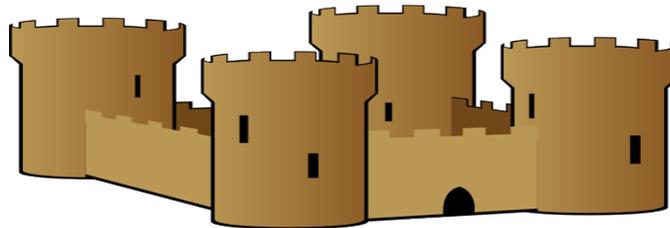
Term 1 and 2

Mr Agate and Mrs Golding



Castles and Conflict

History: We will be exploring castles and conflict. We will be looking at the establishment of castles and their use. We will be looking at the purpose of castles and why there are so many near Punnetts Town. We will look at history from Norman to Victorian Britain.

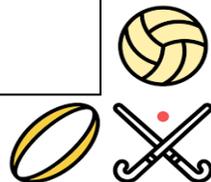


The Arts:

As musicians we will have weekly recorder lessons with Mr Agate; we will learn new notes as well as gain an appreciation of different music and associated terminology.

As designers we will be looking at pressure pads and alarms with Mrs Golding

As artists we will be looking at drawing skills, starting with Zentangle art and self-portraits. Zentangles will be used as part of our mindfulness training.



English: We will start to extend our understanding of sentence structure and grammar, learn new spellings and apply learnt rules. We will be looking at formal and informal writing, learn about narrative poetry and apply our skills over a range of a writing . Our class text is “ The Giants and the Joneses” by Julia Donaldson.

Science: We will be learning about electricity, creating simple circuits and looking at how electricity changed the world. We will be looking at the history of electricity through research. We will be creating our own special Christmas cards using what we have learnt.

Computing: We will continue to develop our understanding of how we can keep ourselves safe when using technology. Online safety is our focus.



ZIP IT
Keep your personal stuff private and think about what you say and do online.



BLOCK IT
Block people who send nasty messages and don't open unknown links and attachments.

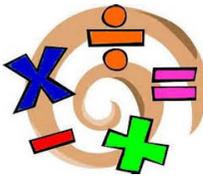


FLAG IT
Flag up with someone you trust if anything upsets you or if someone asks to meet you offline.

PE: We will develop our ball skills during football, netball and gymnastics. We will be looking at ball games in particular.

Maths: We will...

- Calculate the passing of time
- Calculate using information about World War I
- Revise place value
- Look at written methods for addition and subtraction.
- Revise division and multiplication.
- Ensure we know our times tables.



RE: We will be looking at Judaism in detail, looking at the synagogue, religious writings and people within the Jewish faith.



PSHE: We will be discussing new beginnings. We will have a weekly circle time to discuss feelings and emotions..



French: We will broaden our vocabulary and develop our ability to understand new words. We will be looking at greetings and colours



Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back and welcome to Elm if your child is in Year 5. I hope you all had a lovely summer and have now settled back into the routine of a school week.

This term we have P.E on a Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure the children have the appropriate P.E kit following the school policy, and all items are named. Their P.E kits stay at school in their lockers. The children will need outdoor trainers as well as plimsolls for the hall.

Our class theme is *Castles*, with an emphasis on invasion and settlement. We aim to visit some of the local castles and find out more about why Sussex has so many castles. There is sure to be a visit. More details to follow. If you have any books or information on castles we would love to see them.

We are settling into our new classroom and area with lots of changes. In the cloakroom, outside of the class I have put up a parent communication board with copies of letters, timetables and other information to assist you. I hope it helps. The children can now eat their sandwiches in their own area and have their own toilet and lockers as well. We are posh! If you have any large unwanted outdoor games that you think the children would enjoy outside, we would love to hear from you.

The Parent Teacher Consultations will soon be upon us, but in the meantime, if you have any issues please do not hesitate to see me as soon as possible.

Mr J Agate. Classteacher