

Let Battle Commence!

In this, our first learning journey, the children will be diving headfirst into some local history, as we learn about the Battle of Hastings! We will be finding out the answers to some of the following questions: **Who** were the saxons? **Who** were the Normans? **What** happened between King Harold and William? And **what** actually caused the battle in 1066?

English

Our core text this term is the wonderful book, *'The Paperbag Princess'*. We will be writing a recount and an informative leaflet based on our trip to Battle Abbey.



Science

For our first science unit, we will be exploring different types of scientific enquiry—this will prepare us for the investigations we will face over the course of the year. The types of enquiry we will look at include:

Research, pattern spotting, observations, fair tests, classifying

History

We will be looking at a significant event in our local history – the Battle of Hastings.

Our trip to Battle Abbey will really support this unit and we may even get the chance to re-enact some of the Battle on the actual site! (safely of course!)



PSHE and RE

Our first PSHE unit is called 'Being Me in My World.' Within this unit, the children will spend time thinking and talking about the upcoming year; hopes and targets will be shared and each class will create its every own 'learning charter!'

In RE, the children will be thinking about kindness and will be considering the big question: Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time?

PE

The first sport we will be tackling is football with Mr Field. We will be practicing dribbling, passing and developing our ball control. We will learn about the rules of the game and the value of working as part of a team.

The children will also be using the fabulous new 'sprung' flooring in the Sports Hall for Gymnastics with Mrs Clay.



Maths

'Number and Place Value' is our first focus in Maths. We will be looking at the following areas:

Recapping number bonds to 10 and 20.
Identifying tens and units in numbers.
Addition and subtraction.

Art

We will spend some time investigating Anglo-Saxon and Norman shield designs. The children will design their own shield. They will then use their colour mixing skills to paint their shield designs ready for the battle!

