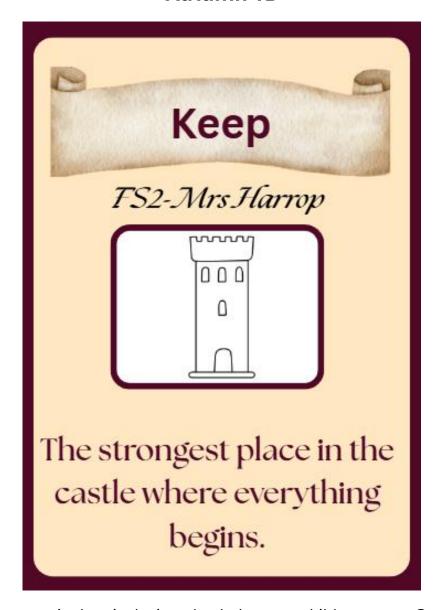


Autumn 1B



At Castle, our curriculum is designed to help every child grow as a Castle Citizen, developing values such as kindness, respect and responsibility. We celebrate our rich local heritage through themes like "We are Conisbrough!" which connect learning to real experiences in our community. To support this, we offer optional Castle Citizen Homework Projects each term — fun, creative activities that families can choose to enjoy together at home.

	Themes	How Can You
		Help at Home?
	Special Events: Campfire experience & sparklers	Talk to your child about fireworks and
	What we're learning:Talking about our own experiences of Bonfire Night	staying safe.
Week 1-	Fire safety (Stop, Drop, Roll)	Staying Saic.
Bonfire	Who Guy Fawkes was – asking "Was he a goodie or a	
Night	baddie?"	
	 Name writing and creating rocket-themed artwork 	
	 Addition and subtraction within 6 	
	 Firework artwork using printing and chalk 	
	Special Events: Remembrance Assembly	Share family
	What we're learning:	traditions or stories
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Week 2- Remembra	 Talking about bravery and real-life heroes Exploring conflict at a child-friendly level – how we 	an age appropriate
nce	Exploring conflict at a child-friendly level – now we solve problems at school	way.
1100	 Drawing and labelling memories 	
	Observational poppy artwork	
	 Learning about key historical events in simple terms 	
	Special Events: Diwali Party	Look at pictures or
	What we're learning:	videos of Diwali
	 The story of Rama and Sita 	celebrations
Week 3-	Talking about good and bad	together.
Diwali	Making Diva lamps from clay	
	Indian dance and music Comparing Divisit to Bonfire Night	
	Comparing Diwali to Bonfire NightCreating rangoli patterns and firework pictures	
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	Special Events: Making bird and animal feeders	Spot signs of
	What we're learning:	animals in your
Week 4-	 Caring for animals as the seasons change 	garden or on walks.
Changing	Why some animals hibernate	
Seasons:	 Naming different animals 	
Animals	Writing simple CVC animal names	
	Threading and using tools to make feeders	
	Hedgehog crafts using leaves See a significant to be a slote & significant to a fine size leave.	Fuere en all torre '
	Special Events: Hot chocolate & s'mores at the fire circle	Freeze small toys in
Week 5-	What we're learning: • Signs of winter	ice and explore melting together
Changing	 Signs of writer What makes ice melt (simple experiments) 	memis rosemei
Seasons:	Comparing Autumn and Winter	
Winter	Writing simple winter facts	
	Dancing to Vivaldi's Winter	
	Exploring winter animals	

	Special Events: Introducing Elf on the Shelf	Share the Nativity	
	What we're learning:	story or watch a	
Week 6-	 Feelings of characters in the Nativity 	short child-friendly	
Nativity	 Kindness – especially the Innkeeper's role 	version together.	
	 Retelling and acting out the Nativity story 		
	 Exploring early measurements (capacity, weight, 		
	length)		
	Special Events: Christmas Party & continued Nativity focus	Involve your child in	
	What we're learning:	wrapping simple	
	 Christmas crafts (using tools like scissors, hole 	gifts or decorating	
Week 7:	punches, tape)	the tree.	
Christmas	Writing cards, lists and gift tags		
Traditions	Letters to Father Christmas	See optional	
	Learning about how Christmas is celebrated in different	Homework Project.	
	countries		
	Sorting and describing 3D shapes Simple right and describing 3D shapes Simple right and describing 3D shapes Simple right and describing 3D shapes		
	 Exploring position words (e.g., under, next to, behind) 		
Ongoing Learning Across the Half term:			
Literacy	Recapping taught sounds		
	Blending simple words independently		
Phonics	 Using "Fred Fingers" to spell simple words 		
	Addition and subtraction within 6		
Maths	Number zero		
	Partitioning small sets		
	 Early measuring, sorting and describing shapes 		
Communic	Retelling stories		
ation &	Talking about experiences and traditions		
Language	 Asking and answering questions 		
Physical			
Developm	Ball skills and dance		
ent	 Fine motor: scissors, clay, threading, painting tools 		
Underster	Celebrations from different cultures		
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ding the World	Seasonal changes Historical figures such as Cury Fawkes and Jacus		
-vvorta	 Historical figures such as Guy Fawkes and Jesus 		
	Firework art		
Expressive	Clay modelling		
Arts &	Rangoli patterns		
Design	Christmas craft skills		
	Dance linked to different cultures		



Optional Homework Project: Families are invited to create a poster showing how Christmas is celebrated in France. Children may draw, label or write a few facts about traditions such as Père Noël, Christmas markets, festive foods or shoes by the fireplace. This is a fun, optional activity to help children explore French culture as part of our MFL curriculum and Christmas Traditions Week.