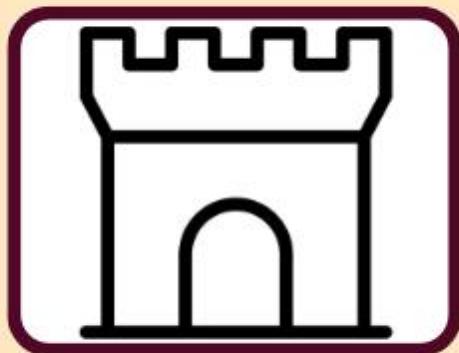




CASTLE ACADEMY
Astrea Academy Trust
LEARN, THRIVE, SUCCEED

Turret

Y1/2- Miss Middlebrook



Looking out, looking up,
starting to explore the
world.

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.

English	As readers and writers, we will enjoy a range of high-quality stories, including <i>The Bear and the Piano</i> , <i>Fantastic Mr Fox</i> , <i>Leo and the Octopus</i> , and <i>The See-Saw</i> . These texts will support reading comprehension, storytelling, and early writing skills.
Maths	As mathematicians, we will develop confidence with time, fractions, number bonds to 50 and addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers (including regrouping). Learning will be practical and visual, supporting both Year 1 and Year 2 progression.
Science	As scientists, we will explore electricity, learning about everyday electrical items and how electricity is used safely in the home and school.
History	As historians, we will learn about the Tudors, finding out how people lived in the past and comparing Tudor life with life today.
Geography	As geographers, we will explore the British Isles, learning about the countries that make them up and identifying key features using maps and simple geographical language.
Art	As artists, we will create portraits and self-portraits, learning how to use colour, shape, and detail to represent ourselves and others.
DT	Linked to Computing.
Music	As musicians, we will invent a musical story, using sounds and instruments to create music that matches characters and events.
Computing	As computing learners, we will learn about robot algorithms, giving simple instructions to control and programme robots. Children will practise sequencing steps and debugging, helping them understand how computers follow instructions.
RE	As religious learners, we will learn about Islam, finding out who a Muslim is and how Muslims live, helping children understand and respect different beliefs.
RSHE	As healthy and safe learners, we will learn how to stay safe online, including: understanding screen time; keeping personal information safe; knowing what to do if something online feels worrying; learning about fake news in a simple, age-appropriate way.
French	As language learners, we will learn the days of the week and colours in French, using songs, games, and speaking activities to build confidence and enjoyment in learning a new language.
PE	As physically active learners, we will take part in gymnastics, developing balance, strength, coordination, and confidence through movement and simple sequences.
Enrichment	As caring citizens, we will learn to show compassion and kindness, particularly towards animals, through the RSPCA Compassionate Class Project. Children will explore how to care for living things and why empathy is important.



Optional Homework Project:

Castle Citizens at Home- Children are encouraged to help with simple tasks at home, such as tidying, setting the table, or caring for plants or pets. This helps them practise responsibility and kindness and understand how their actions make a positive difference at home and in the wider community.