

YEAR TWO

At Kings Road, our approach to homework is split into two sections: core homework (recommended) and family homework (optional extras). Family homework invites the children, siblings and parents/carers to spend time together, collaborating and having fun when completing tasks set. Families will have the opportunity to complete a series of tasks sent home at the beginning of each half term. The suggested list of activities is not exhaustive; the children may engage with as little or as many as they wish. Families can choose when they do this homework, allowing for flexibility built in for our differing families and all their needs. We value all additional work children and their families put in outside of school, and while this homework is optional, we will celebrate any homework shared within school. All feedback will be given to children on their homework verbally by their adults and peers.

Family Homework – Spring 2 **Due date: Monday 31st March**

Topic: Siege and Storm

For this topic we're going to be looking at castles. We will be looking at how castles have changed over the years, identify some of the defensive features castles had as well as learning about the types of people that lived in castles. This will all come together when we visit Mountfitchet Castle later in the school year.

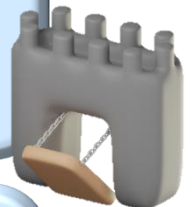


Investigate: Look up some of the castles that are still around today in the UK. Can you create a fact file about one of them?

Design: Design your own castle. This could either be a drawing, a 3D sculpture using recyclable materials found in your house, making it out of Lego or even building it on a game like Minecraft! Get creative!

Visit: There are castles locally to Chelmsford that you could spend a day out at. Can you plan a trip with your family? Look up the castle online and find out what sort of things they offer. There's no pressure to go on the trip!

Make: One of the defences castles had to protect themselves was a drawbridge. Can you design a pulley system drawbridge using toilet roll tubes, cardboard and paperclips for the chains?



Investigate: Can you find out about some famous castles in Britain? Why were they important?

Make: Cooking during medieval times was very different to how it is now. Can you look up a medieval recipe and try cooking it with your family?

