Reign and Rule Year 6

Key Texts:

Michael Morpurgo Arthur– High King of Britain

Horrible Histories - The Measly Middle Ages

Horrible Histories—Dark Knights and Dingy Castles

Usborne Official Knights Handbook

Usborne Middle Ages Picture Book

King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table Marcia Williams

Quest by Aaron Becker

Tales of King Arthur

Stunning Start:

Medieval fair— stilt walking; juggling; stained glass windows; crown making; ink writing; letter illumination

Adverts - King Arthur looking for knights

Write On choices:
- Letter home
- Description of the fair
- Recount
- Newspaper report

What is a knight? - 3 weeks
Purpose: to research information about knights in preparation for a job application
Intended outcome— non-chronological report about features and skills of knights
Key Skills: decisions about layout and presentation; use of expanded noun phrases, subordinating conjunctions and passive voice; punctuation (commas, brackets and dashes); editing and proofreading

Persuasive Letter Writing - 2 weeks

Purpose: to persuade King Arthur to accept them as a knight of the Round Table
Intended outcome: to write a persuasive letter and publish it
Key Skills: use of the first person; personal pronoun; formal language; modal verbs; adverbials of certainty and of time; punctuation (commas and colons in a list)

Write On choices:
- Using pictures of a castle, as a stimulus
- Narrative
- Description
- Poem

Poetry

Purpose: To write poems on the theme of castles or knights

Intended outcome :

- Use of expanded noun phrases; figurative language
- Comment on the impact on the reader
- Present their poem in a creative way and introduce it to the class
- Perform their own composition to the class

Cross Curricular Links:

ART: shields, design of their poems

SMSC: fitness and health

HUMANITIES: trends of castles through time and land use

SCI: animals— humans nutrition, diet, health, food and oxygen transportation

MFL : our school

MUSIC: sound effects story boards for the quest and poems

Computing: e-safety, research

Spellings

Years 3 /4 words revision
Prefixes with *co- anti-*
Homophones