

Southill Primary School

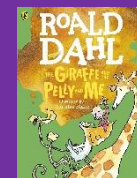
Year Two: Autumn Term 2021

Towers, tunnels and turrets

As **mathematicians**, we'll focus on counting on and back in 2s, 5s and 10s and looking at number patterns. We will be learning about the value of two-digit numbers, partitioning them in different ways using equipment and diagrams to help. We'll also be learning to add and subtract two-digit numbers, using place value and resources to help develop a secure understanding of the value of the digits.

As **writers**, we will learn and explore a journey story 'Billy the Brave Knight' with a focus on settings. We will use talk for writing techniques to learn and innovate the story, focussing on the use of vocabulary including adjectives. Later in the term we will be learning about the features and purpose of instructions, planning and writing our own set of instructions.

As **readers**, we'll be focussing on consolidating our knowledge of the letter sounds in phonics to help us to decode and read books and stories. We'll also enjoy a number of books together including 'The Giraffe, the Pelly and Me' by Roald Dahl in which a giraffe, a pelican and a monkey set out to prove they are the best window cleaning company around! We'll also focus on our understanding of stories, books and vocabulary together through discussion and book quizzes.



See the castle ahead? Get ready to invade its mighty walls! Shoot a projectile with an archer's aim. Head across the drawbridge, over the moat and up to the top of the tower. Meet Rapunzel who lives in a tall, tall tower. Let's build a brand new one. Whose is the tallest? Can you measure it? Then dig deep, deep down, making burrows and tunnels, just like the animals who live underground. What's that sound? I hear little hooves going trip, trap, trip, trap, over the rickety bridge. Watch out for the angry troll underneath. He likes to gobble up little girls and boys! Make sure your bridge is sturdy enough to take our weight and get us safely to the other side. And finally, meet three little pigs who need your help to build a strong fortress. Inside its strong walls they'll be safe from the big, bad wolf. No huffing and puffing will blow your fortress down!

As **historians**, we'll learn about the history of castles, the important parts of castles and compare castles through the ages. As **geographers**, we'll be looking at and comparing towers, tunnels and bridges around the world. As **designers**, we'll be thinking about the purpose and structure of these constructions and we'll build and test our own!