



Captivating Castles- Knowledge Organiser

St Gregory's Catholic Primary School – Year 1



Dates to Remember					
1066	1067	1070-79	1100	1642-51	1930
The Normans invaded England and won the Battle of Hastings, making William the Conqueror the next king	Chepstow Castle started to be built	Windsor Castle and the White Tower at the Tower of London were built	Castles started to be built using stone	The English Civil War took place, and many castles were used by the royals to defend themselves.	The construction of Castle Drogo, the last castle to be built in England,

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