



WHAT DOES HERTFORD CASTLE HAVE TO DO WITH THE MAGNA CARTA?

Vocabulary

Baron

Highest ranking noble; will have received land from the monarch

Capture

To take by force

Feudal system (feudalism)

System of land and power distribution based on the allocation of land in return for services

Knights

Warriors who would protect the Barons land and fight for the King in times of war

Magna Carta

Literally, 'The Great Charter' - a document setting out certain rights, protecting Barons

Manor

The land given to a noble by the monarch

Medieval

Referring to the Middle Ages, 500CE - 1500CE

Monarch

Another name for a King or Queen

Peasant

The poorest people in the medieval England, usually farmers

Siege

the act or process of surrounding and attacking a fortified place

Vassal

Someone who owes services to another person in return for land in the feudal system

The Magna Carta was the first written document that established the rule of law.

We are learning to:

- Examine causes and results of great events and the impact on people
- To learn about local history
- Make comparisons between different times in the past
- To use evidence to build up a picture of a past event



PRIOR LEARNING

- Settlements
- Ways of travelling



OUR LESSONS

- Who were Richard I and John I and were they good kings?
- What were the Medieval/Middle Ages and what was life like?
- What was the Feudal system, how did work and was it a successful system?
- What was the Magna Carta and why was it important?
- Who was Robert Fitzwalter and how did he link Hertford Castle with the Magna Carta?

Robert Fitzwalter's coat of arms

