Medieval Banqueting

What are your favourite foods?

What foods do you love to eat?

Richard III was the last of the ‘medieval’ kings. The medieval period is the time of history between the years 1154 to 1485.

When Richard III had his coronation banquet in 1483, would he have eaten any of these foods?

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What foods are people eating in this painting?
Look carefully at the picture

What food might they eat?

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Can you notice anything different about what they are using to eat their food?

There are no forks! They hadn’t been introduced yet.
Look at these medieval menus too.

What is the same/different?
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Scientists have studied the bones of Richard III and have been able to discover what he ate...

Heron

Lamprey (eel)

Egret

Swan
Look carefully at this menu.

**What has changed?**

**Elizabeth II's Coronation Banquet**

*June 3rd 1953, 240 guests at Buckingham Palace*

- Clear turtle soup
- Filet of sole
- Rack of lamb
- Buttered string beans
- New potatoes
- Asparagus salad
- Strawberries
- Assorted sweets

Now have a go at your task- creating your own medieval menu.