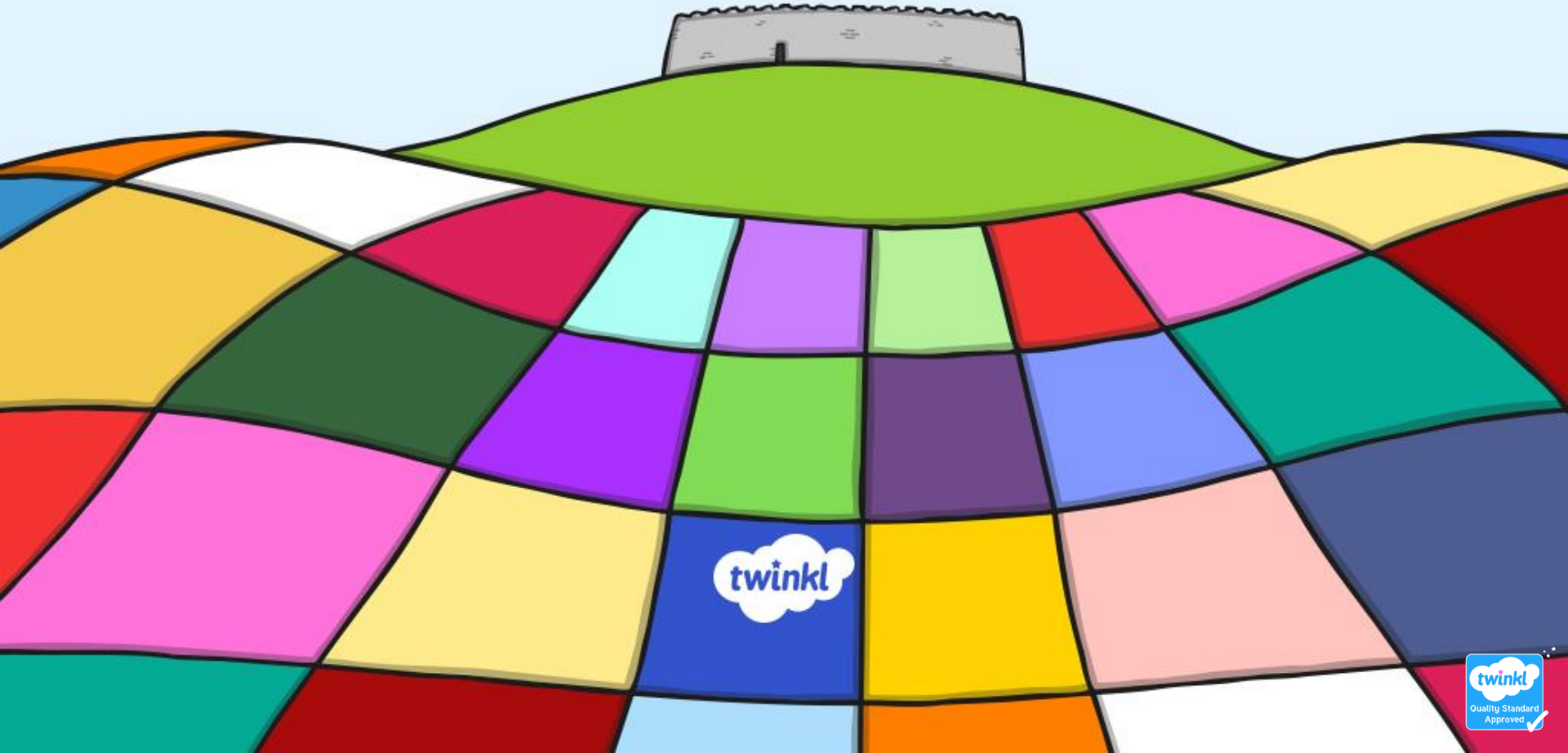


Saint Brigid



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- Saint Brigid was born in Co. Louth but spent most of her life in Co. Kildare, which is why she is associated most with Kildare.
- As a young girl, she heard St. Patrick preaching and was inspired by him.

Kildare, Ireland



Saint Brigid

- Brigid was a very kind person.
- According to legend, Brigid prayed to God to take her beauty away so that no man would ever fall in love with her.
- She wanted to continue to look after the poor and sick.
- Her father allowed her to enter a convent and Brigid believed her wishes had been granted by God.



Saint Brigid

- We celebrate St. Brigid's Day on February 1st every year.
- People make St. Brigid's Crosses and hang them in their home.
- It is believed that these crosses protect homes from evil spirits.



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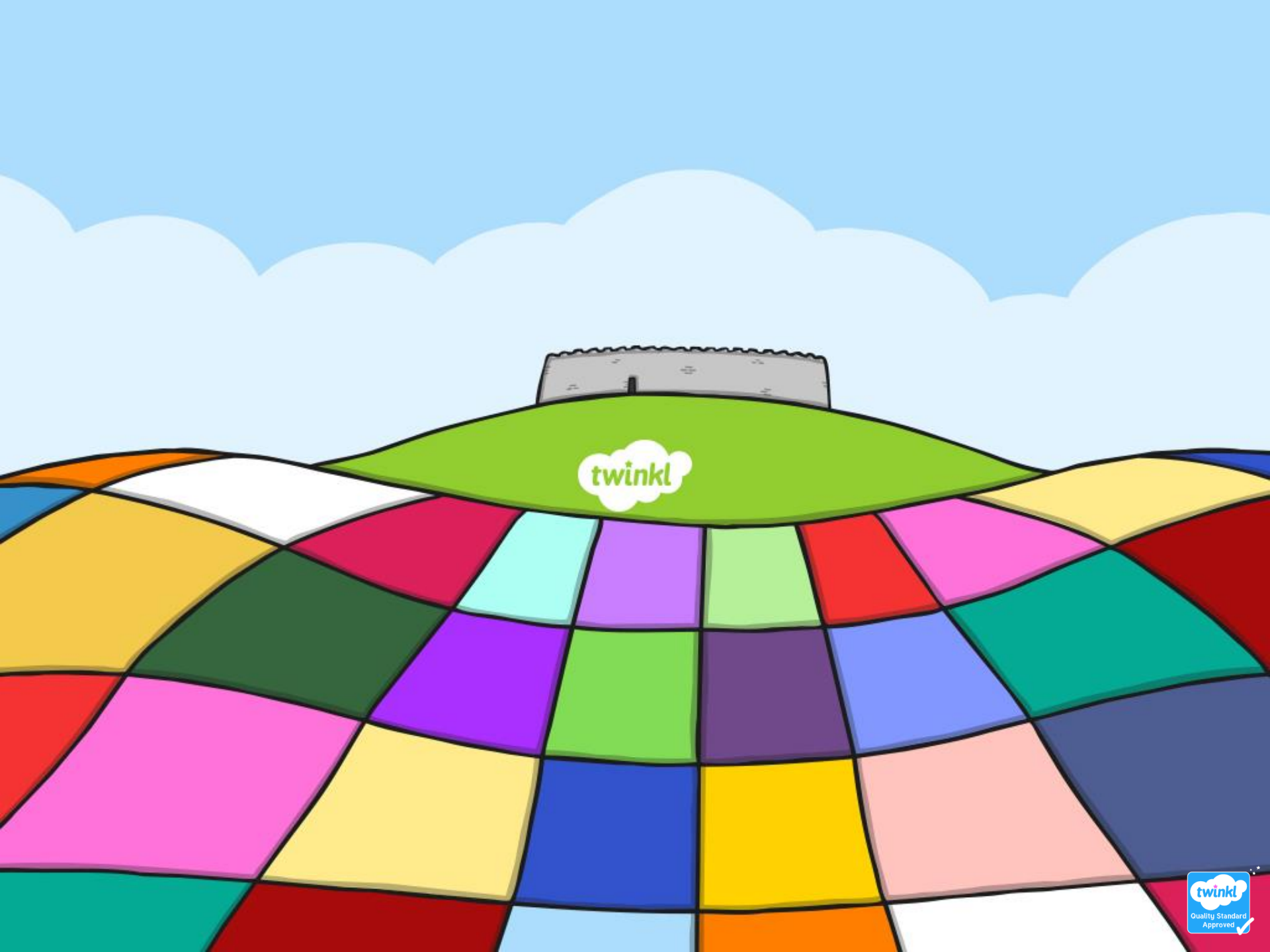
- The origin of St. Brigid's Cross comes from the story of an old Chieftain.
- He was very sick and called for Brigid to help him.
- Brigid is said to have sat at his bed and calmed him by telling him the story of the cross.
- She sat using rushes on the ground to make her distinctive cross pattern.
- The Chieftain was calmed by her words and asked to be baptized before he passed away.

Saint Brigid

- St. Brigid died when she was around 70 years old in the year 524.
- She is one of Ireland's most important and famous saints.



St. Brigid on stained glass in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Georgia.



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