



HISTORY



Milestone 1

By the end of Year 1 pupils should have a basic grasp of all of this content.

By the end of Year 2 pupils should have an advancing understanding of this content, whilst some will have a deep understanding.

History Years 1 and 2

In Years 1 and 2 pupils:

- Observe or handle evidence to ask questions and find answers to questions about the past.
- Ask questions such as: What was it like for people? What happened? How long ago?
- Use artefacts, pictures, stories, online sources and databases to find out about the past.
- Identify some of the different ways the past has been represented.
- Describe historical events.
- Describe significant people from the past.
- Recognise that there are reasons why people in the past acted as they did.
- Place events and artefacts in order on a time line.
- Label time lines with words or phrases such as: past, present, older and newer.
- Recount changes that have occurred in their own lives.
- Use dates where appropriate.
- Use words and phrases such as: a long time ago, recently, when my parents/ carers were children, years, decades and centuries to describe the passing of time.
- Show an understanding of the concept of nation and a nation's history.
- Show an understanding of concepts such as civilisation, monarchy, parliament, democracy, and war and peace.



Milestone 2

By the end of Year 3 pupils should have a basic grasp of all of this content.

By the end of Year 4 pupils should have an advancing understanding of this content, whilst some will have a deep understanding.

History Years 3 and 4

In Years 3 and 4 pupils:

- Use evidence to ask questions and find answers to questions about the past.
- Suggest suitable sources of evidence for historical enquiries.
- Use more than one source of evidence for historical enquiry in order to gain a more accurate understanding of history.
- Describe different accounts of a historical event, explaining some of the reasons why the accounts may differ.
- Suggest causes and consequences of some of the main events and changes in history.
- Describe changes that have happened in the locality of the school throughout history.
- Give a broad overview of life in Britain from ancient until medieval times.
- Compare some of the times studied with those of other areas of interest around the world.
- Describe the social, ethnic, cultural or religious diversity of past society.
- Describe the characteristic features of the past, including ideas, beliefs, attitudes and experiences of men, women and children.
- Place events, artefacts and historical figures on a time line using dates.
- Understand the concept of change over time, representing this, along with evidence, on a time line.
- Use dates and terms to describe events.
- Use appropriate historical vocabulary to communicate, including:
 - dates
 - time period
 - era
 - change
 - chronology.
- Use literacy, numeracy and computing skills to a good standard in order to communicate information about the past.



Milestone 3

By the end of Year 5 pupils should have a basic grasp of all of this content.

By the end of Year 6 pupils should have an advancing understanding of this content, whilst some will have a deep understanding.

History Years 5 and 6

In Years 5 and 6 pupils:

- Use sources of evidence to deduce information about the past.
- Select suitable sources of evidence, giving reasons for choices.
- Use sources of information to form testable hypotheses about the past.
- Seek out and analyse a wide range of evidence in order to justify claims about the past.
- Show an awareness of the concept of propaganda and how historians must understand the social context of evidence studied.
- Understand that no single source of evidence gives the full answer to questions about the past.
- Refine lines of enquiry as appropriate.
- Identify continuity and change in the history of the locality of the school.
- Give a broad overview of life in Britain from medieval until the Tudor and Stuarts times.
- Compare some of the times studied with those of the other areas of interest around the world.
- Describe the social, ethnic, cultural or religious diversity of past society.
- Describe the characteristic features of the past, including ideas, beliefs, attitudes and experiences of men, women and children.
- Describe the main changes in a period of history (using terms such as: social, religious, political, technological and cultural).
- Identify periods of rapid change in history and contrast them with times of relatively little change.
- Understand the concepts of continuity and change over time, representing them, along with evidence, on a time line.
- Use dates and terms accurately in describing events.
- Use appropriate historical vocabulary to communicate, including:
 - dates
 - time period
 - era
 - chronology
 - continuity
 - change
 - century
 - decade

- legacy.
- Use literacy, numeracy and computing skills to an exceptional standard in order to communicate information about the past.
- Use original ways to present information and ideas.