



Curriculum Aims

- 1. Know and understand the history of these islands as a coherent, chronological narrative, from the earliest times to the present day: how people's lives have shaped this nation and how Britain has influenced and been influenced by the wider world.
- 2. Know and understand significant aspects of the history of the wider world: the nature of ancient civilisations; the expansion and dissolution of empires; characteristic features of past non-European societies; achievements and follies of mankind.
- 3. Gain and deploy a historically grounded understanding of abstract terms such as 'empire', 'civilisation', 'parliament' and 'peasantry'
- 4. Understand historical concepts such as continuity and change, cause and consequence, similarity, difference and significance, and use them to make connections, draw contrasts, analyse trends, frame historically valid questions and create their own structured accounts, including written narratives and analyses.
- 5. Understand the methods of historical enquiry, including how evidence is used rigorously to make historical claims, and discern how and why contrasting arguments and interpretations of the past have been constructed.
- 6. Gain historical perspective by placing their growing knowledge into different contexts, understanding the connections between local, regional, national and international history; between cultural, economic, military, political, religious and social history; and between short- and long-term timescales.



Nursery & Reception work on a 3 year cycle. The learning below is taken directly from the Development Matters specific area Understanding the World. The topics used to driving the learning are:

Cycle 1: Marvellous Me, People Who Help, Holidays, Traditional Tales

Cycle 2: Colours everywhere, Seaside, Pirates, My World, Superheroes

Cycle 3: Good to be me, Growing & Changing, Space, Transport, Dinosaurs

Reception

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I can begin to make sense of my own life- story and my family's history.	I can talk about what I see, using a wide vocabulary	l can talk about what l see, using a wide vocabulary		I can talk about what I see, using a wide vocabulary. I can talk about different occupations	I can begin to make sense of my own life- story and my family's history.
I can name and describe people who are familiar to me I can comment on images of familiar situations in the past	I can comment on images of familiar situations in the past I can compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past	I can comment on images of familiar situations in the past	I can comment on images of familiar situations in the past	I can comment on images of familiar situations in the past I can compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past	I can comment on images of familiar situations in the past I can compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past





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Changes within living memory) How have children's toys changed since our older relatives were little?	I can label timelines with words such as: past, present, older and newer. I can recount changes that have occurred in my own life.	I can look at sources and ask "What was it like for people?" "What happened?" "What was this used for?" "How long ago?"	I can discuss causes that lead to toys changing.	I can s have s same have o overtin
The Great Fire of London (Events beyond living memory) Where have humans explored?	I can place events, on a timeline. I can use dates where appropriate.	I can observe or handle evidence to ask questions and find answers to questions about the past. I can begin to explain why evidence can be trusted (such as Samuel Pepys Diary).	I can explain the causes of the Great Fire of London and what the consequences were.	I can chang Great and h chang contin the 21
Kings, Queens and Castles Gignificant individuals and local places Where did Kings and Queens live through time?	I can place events and some artefacts on a timeline.	With support, I can observe or handle some evidence to ask questions about the past.	I can begin to explain why monarchs built castles and what the consequences of these actions were.	I can o chang histori

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ondon		I can observe or handle evidence to ask questions and find answers to questions about the past. I can begin to explain why evidence can be trusted (such as Samuel Pepys Diary).	I can explain the causes of the Great Fire of London and what the consequences were.	I can describe what changed after the Great Fire of London and how these changes have continued through to the 21st century.	With support, I can use artefacts and diary entries to compare similarities and differences. I can identify some of the different ways the past has been represented.	I can describe significant people from the past and explain why they are important. I can name a monarch.
Castles	I can place events and some artefacts on a timeline.	With support, I can observe or handle some evidence to ask questions about the past.	I can begin to explain why monarchs built castles and what the consequences of these actions were.	I can describe changes and historical events.	I can compare the similarities and differences between different castles.	I can begin to talk about key events of a significant king/queen or castle.





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Technology (Changes within living memory)	I can place events and artefacts on a timeline.	I can observe or handle some evidence to ask questions and find answers to questions.	I can explain some reasons why certain technology was manufactured.	I can describe how technology has changed and how it has continued over time.	I can use pictures and film footage to find out about technology in the past compared to now.	I can describe and begin to talk about key events of a significant person/time.
How did Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell help to improve hospitals?	I can place events, artefacts and people on a timeline. I can begin to use some dates where appropriate.	I can observe or handle evidence to ask questions and find answers to questions about the past.	I can recognise that there are reasons why people in the past acted as they did and what the consequences of these actions were.	I can describe changes and the historical events they led to.	I can use pictures, stories and film footage to find out about the past. I can identify some of the different ways the past has been represented.	I can describe significant people and events from the past and explain why they are important.
Famous Explorers (Significant individuals and events)	I can place explorative events on a timeline.	With support, I can use evidence of explorers lives to ask questions about the past.	I can discuss the causes of exploring and what we found out from exploration.	I can describe changes over a period of time	I can use pictures and stories to find out about the past and compare different explorations.	I can name significant explorers from the past.





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Stone Age to Iron Age (Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age) What was life like in the Paleolithic and Mesolithic era?	I can place ages in order of time and understand the meaning of their names. I can place artefacts within their correct age. With support, I can use BCE.	I can observe evidence to ask about the past and come to conclusions based on what I have seen. I can explain how we find prehistoric evidence.	I can suggest causes and consequences of the main events within prehistory such as agriculture, mining and migration.	With support, I can begin to explain the concept of change over a long period of history.	I can describe similarities and differences between the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age.	I can suggest suitable sources of evidence to find out about significant people/events.
Ancient Greece (A study of Greek life and achievements and their influence on the world) What were the greatest achievements of the Ancient Greet	I can place events, artefacts and historical figure on a timeline using dates. With support, I can use BCE and CE.	I can suggest suitable sources of evidence for historical enquiries. I can use more than one source of evidence for historical enquiry in order to gain a more accurate understanding of history.	I can suggest causes and consequences of some of the main events within Ancient .	I can begin to explain the concept of change over a long period of history.	I can describe the social, ethnic, cultural and religious diversity of the past.	I can suggest suitable sources of evidence for historical enquiries. I can discuss the importance of people and events in time and the significant impact they had on British archaeological thought.





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Ancient Egypt (The achievements of the earliest civilisations) What were the greatest achievements of the Ancient Egyptians?	I can place events, artefacts and historical figures on a timeline using dates. I can use BCE and CE.	I can suggest suitable sources for historical enquiry. I can begin to discuss the reliability of sources.	I can suggest causes and consequences of some of the main events and changes in Greece and use evidence to support my answers.	I can explain the concept of change over time and represent this with evidence.	I can compare the similarities and differences between the new and old kingdoms of Ancient Egypt.	I can discuss the importance of people and events in time and the significant impact they had on society, beginning to use some evidence to prove my discussion (with support).
The Romans (The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain) How did the Roman Empire impact Britain?	I can place events, artefacts and historical figures on a timeline, using dates and time (BCE/CE).	I can suggest more than one suitable source for historical enquiry. I can begin to discuss the reliability of sources.	I can suggest and evaluate causes and consequences of some of the main events and changes in Britain when the Romans invaded.	I can explain the concept of change over time, when the Romans arrived in Britain and represent this with evidence.	I can describe the social, ethnic, cultural and religious diversity of the past. I can describe different accounts of a historical event, explaining some of the reasons why the account may differ (Boudicca).	I can discuss the importance of people and events in time and the significant impact they had on society using evidence to prove my discussion (with support).





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Anglo-Saxons and Vikings Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Vikings How did England change during the settlement of the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings?	I can use dates accurately in describing events and people.	I can use sources of evidence to deduce information about the Saxons and Vikings. I can discuss whether the evidence is reliable and explain why.	I can describe causes of invasion in Britain and what the consequences were.	I can identify periods of rapid change in history. I can explain what changed and what continued over time when the Anglo- Saxons and Vikings settled in Britain.	I can compare similarities and differences between Anglo-Saxon and Viking culture.	I can describe the social and cultural significance of a past society.
Ancient Maya A non-Europeon study that provides contrast with British history) What similarities and differences are there between the Maya civilisation and England from the 8 th to the 10 th century?	I can use dates and terms accurately in describing events and people.	I can use sources of evidence to deduce information about the past. I can use sources of information to form testable hypotheses about the past.	I can describe causes of events and their consequences in Ancient Maya.	I can identify periods of rapid change in history. I can explain the concepts of continuity and change over time.	I can compare the similarities and differences between civilisations and cultures.	I can describe the social and cultural significance of a past society. I can describe the characteristic features of the past, including ideas and beliefs.



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