History Progression Document 2023-24



Early Years						
Nursery	Understanding the World (Eager Explorer)		 Remembering and talking about significant events in their own experience; Recognising and describing special times or events for family or friends; Showing interest in the lives of people who are familiar to them; Remembering and talking about significant events in their own experience; Recognising and describing special times or events for family or friends; 			
Reception	Understanding the World (Exceptional Explorer)		 Beginning to have an understanding for terms like, yesterday, last week and last year; Appreciating that they may have siblings that are older than them and that they may be older than a younger sibling; Appreciating that certain artefacts and resources are old and have been used before. Remembering and talking about significant events in their own experiences, e.g. birthday; Knowing and understanding that their grandparents are older than their parents; Beginning to be familiar with words and phrases associated with long ago, such as 'in the past' or 'a long time ago'; Beginning to understand that some familiar stories were set in a time before they were born. Recognising and describing special times or events for family or friends, e.g. Eid, christening, Christmas; using some of the tauphrases such as in the past Beginning to compare and contrast characters in stories about the past; Understanding that people celebrated events like Eid and Christmas before they were born; Using appropriate language to describe the past, such as, 'in the past'. Recall some of the historical figures/events we have learnt about 			
ELG	Understanding the World Past and Present		 Talk about the lives of people around them and their roles in society. Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling. 			

Working Historically

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
History	Pupils should be taught	Pupils should be taught	Pupils should be taught	Pupils should be taught	Pupils should be taught	Pupils should be taught
Content	about:	about:	about:	about:	about:	about:
	Changes within living	Changes within living	Changes in Britain from	The achievements of the	A non-European society	A study of an aspect or
	memory.	memory. Where	the Stone Age to the	earliest civilizations – an	that provides contrast	theme in history that
		appropriate, these	Iron Age	overview of where and	with British history	extends pupils'
	Events beyond living memory that are	should be used to reveal aspects of change in	The Roman Empire and	when the first civilizations appeared	- Mayan civilization	chronological knowledge beyond 1066 - a
	significant in their own	national life	its impact on Britain	-Ancient Egypt	a study of an aspect or	significant turning point
	lives		(Verulamium)		theme in British history	in British history -British
		Events beyond living		Britain's settlement by	that extends pupils'	Empire and links to:
	The lives of significant	memory that are		Anglo-Saxons and Scots	chronological knowledge	-USA -India
	individuals in the past e.g.Picasso, Queen	significant nationally or globally		*7 kingdoms in England	beyond 1066 -The Victorians	-inaia
	Elizabeth II, Queen	Browny			The victorians	Ancient Greece – a study
	Victoria,	The lives of significant				of Greek life and
		individuals in the past			- a local history study	achievements and their
		who have contributed to national and			Bletchley Park (including Trip)	influence on the western world
		international			, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	World
		achievements. Some				the Viking and Anglo-
		should be used to				Saxon struggle for the
		compare aspects of life in different periods				Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the
		-Florence Nightingale				Confessor
		Mary Seacole, Edith				
		Cavell,				
		Mary Anning, Guy Fawkes				
		ruwkes				

Chronology	Show an awareness of the past, using common words and phrases relating to the passing of time -today, tomorrow, yesterday, days, weeks, months, years Show where places, people and events fit into a broad chronological framework -growth over time -significant adults in lives -family trees Begin to use dates -birthdays -special dates of the year e.g. Christmas, Easter Begin to attach dates to famous people studied e.g.Picasso, Queen Elizabeth II, Queen Victoria,	Develop, then demonstrate an awareness of the past, using common words and phrases relating to the passing of time -years, decades, centuries Show where places, people and events fit into a broad chronological framework Begin to use dates -specific to famous people/places studied e.g. Mary Anning, Great Fire of London, Samuel Pepys, Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole, Guy Fawkes	Develop increasingly secure chronological knowledge and understanding of history, local and British Put events, people, places and artefacts on a timeline -Romans compared to Stone Age and Iron Age and today Use correct terminology to describe events in the past such as invasion	Develop increasingly secure chronological knowledge and understanding of history, British and world Put events, people, places and artefacts on a timeline *Egyptians Use correct terminology to describe events in the past	Develop increasingly secure chronological knowledge and understanding of history, local, British and world Put events, people, places and artefacts on a timeline Key people associated with WWII and Bletchley Park Use correct terminology to describe events in the past	Develop increasingly secure chronological knowledge and understanding of history, local, British and world Put events, people, places and artefacts on a timeline Charles Darwin - evolution. Use correct terminology to describe events in the past
Historical Terms	Develop, the use a wide vocabulary of historical terms eg. a long time ago, recently, when my were younger, in the past, The Queen as a monarch	Develop, the use a wide vocabulary of historical terms e.g. years, decades, centuries	Develop use of appropriate subject terminology, such as: empire, civilisation	Develop use of appropriate subject terminology, such as: society and hierarchy; civilisation and Invasion	Record knowledge and understanding in a variety of ways, using dates and key terms appropriately e.g. fact files, non chronological report, timelines	Record knowledge and understanding in a variety of ways, using dates and key terms appropriately

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Enquiry	Ask and begin to answer questions about events e.g. When? What happened? What was it like? Understand some ways we find out about the past e.g. using artefacts, pictures, stories and websites Choose and use parts of stories to show understanding of events Communicate understanding of the past through pictures, talk and simple written captions	Ask and begin to answer questions about events e.g. When? What happened? What was it like? Why? Who was involved? Understand some ways we find out about the past e.g. using artefacts, pictures, stories and websites (with greater independence) Choose and use parts of stories and other sources to show understanding of events Communicate understanding of the past in a variety of ways e.g. drawing, acting, explanations, pictures	Ask and answer questions about the past, considering aspects of change, cause, similarity and difference Suggest where we might find answers to questions Understand that knowledge about the past is constructed from a variety of sources	Ask and answer questions about the past, considering aspects of change, cause, similarity and difference and significance Suggest where we might find answers to questions considering a range of sources *primary/secondary sources Understand that knowledge about the past is constructed from a variety of sources *Egyptian workshop day *Chiltern Open Air Museum (Anglo-Saxons) To use relevant historical data to answer questions about the past	Devise, ask and answer more complex questions about the past, considering key concepts in history Select sources independently and give reasons for choices Analyse a range of source material to promote evidence about the past Construct and organise response by selecting and organising relevant historical data	Devise, ask and answer more complex questions about the past, considering key concepts in history Select sources independently and give reasons for choices Analyse a range of source material to promote evidence about the past Construct and organise response by selecting and organising relevant historical data
Interpreting History	Identify different ways that the past is represented e.g. illustrations, song, museum displays, stories Milton Keynes Museum	Identify different ways that the past is represented e.g. fictional accounts, illustrations, films, song, museum displays, Claydon House visit	Be aware that different versions of the past may exist and begin to suggest reasons for this	Be aware that different versions of the past may exist and begin to suggest reasons for this	Understand that the past is represented and interpreted in different ways and give reasons for this	Understand that the past is represented and interpreted in different ways and give reasons for this
Continuity and Change	Discuss change and continuity in an aspect of life e.g. holidays, own life experience	Discuss change and continuity in an aspect of life e.g differences from dinosaur age, 1666 -	Describe and begin to make links between main events, situations and changes within and across different periods (Stone Age to Iron Age)	Describe and begin to make links between main events, situations and changes within and across different periods and societies	Use a greater depth of historical knowledge when describing and making links between main events, situations and changes within and	Use a greater depth of historical knowledge when describing and making links between main events, situations and changes within and

		Great Fire - what is the same, what is different?		(Ancient Egypt)	across different periods and societies	across different periods and societies
Causes and Consequenc es	Recognise why people did things Recognise why some events happened	Recognise why people did things Recognise why some events happened Recognise what happened as a result of people's actions or events	Identify and give reasons for historical events, situations and changes Identify some of the results of historical events	Identify and give reasons for historical events, situations and changes Identify some of the results of historical events, situations and changes *Rosetta Stone - Egyptians	Begin to offer explanations about why people in the past acted as they did (Winston Churchill)	Begin to offer explanations about why people in the past acted as they did Autumn 1 and 2 - USA and India: -British Empire -Slave Trade -Indus Valley
Similarities and differences	Identify similarities and differences in their own lives and that of their peers or family members	Identify similarities and differences between ways of life in different periods, including their own lives	Describe some of the similarities and differences between different periods e.g. local	Describe some of the similarities and differences between different periods, e.g. social, belief *Continuous links to modern day - comparisons between studied periods (reflection)	Show understanding of some of the similarities and differences between different periods, e.g. social, belief	Show understanding of some of the similarities and differences between different periods, e.g. social, belief, local, individual
Significance	Recognise and make simple observations an historical event, e.g. talk about important places and who was important	Recognise and make simple observations about who was important in an historical event/account, e.g. talk about important places and who was important and why	Identify and begin to describe historically significant people and events - Boudica Julius Caesar	Identify and begin to describe historically significant people and events in situations *Howard Carter (Egyptians) Tutankamun Cleopatra	Give reasons why some events, people or developments are seen as more significant than others (Winston Churchill, Queen Victoria, Dr Banardo,Lord Shaftesbury Alan Turing) Victorian inventors such as Thomas Edison,	Give reasons why some events, people or developments are seen as more significant than others (Discovery of the Americas - Christopher Colombus) Abraham Lincoln, Sir Francis Drake, Martin Luther King, Charles Darwin, Alfred Wallace

		Alexander Graham Bell, Ada Lovelace, Noor Inayat Khan,
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