

History Skills Progression – end of year expectations

Skill	EYFS	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
Chronological Understanding	NURSERY Observe the world around them, identifying when something has already happened in their daily routine RECEPTION Remember and talk about significant events in their own lives	Develop a simple awareness of the past Sequence events in their life Sequence 3 to 4 artefacts from distinctly different periods Match objects to people of different ages Place events on a simple timeline	Check with reference book Sequence photographs from different periods of their life Sequence artefacts closer together in time Place events on a simple timeline, adding times previously studied	Use terms related to the study unit and passing of time Place the time studied on a timeline, compare where this fits in to topics previously studied	Use terms related to the period and begin to date events Understand more complex terms e.g BC/AD/Century Begin to develop a chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of British, local and World History, establishing clear narratives within and across the periods studied	Use relevant terms and period vocabulary Make comparisons to other times studied Compare an aspect of life from two different periods.	Use relevant dates Place current study on time line in relation to their previous studies

Skill	EYFS	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
Range and depth of historical knowledge	NURSERY Identify simple similarities and differences RECEPTION Notice and talk about similarities and differences	Recognise the difference between past and present in their own and others' lives Know and recount episodes from stories about the past, knowing and understanding key events Talk about simple similarities and differences between life at different times	Recognise why people did things and why events happened Identify differences between ways of life at different times Compare two versions of a past event Compare pictures or photographs of people or events in the past Discuss the reliability of photos/accounts/stories	Find out about everyday lives of people in time studied and compare with our life today Identify reasons for and the results of people's actions Understand why people may have wanted to do something	Use evidence to reconstruct life in time studied Identify key features and events of time studied Offer reasonable explanation for some events	Study different people in history – differences between men and women Examine causes and results of great events and the impact on people Compare an aspect of life with the same aspect in another period	Compare beliefs and behaviour with another time studied Explain a past event in terms of cause and effect using evidence to support and illustrate their explanation Know key dates, characters and events of time studied



History Skills Progression – end of year expectations

Skill	EYFS	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
Interpretations of History	NURSERY Begin to understand that their life is made up of special times and events RECEPTION Recognise and describe special times or events for family or friends	Use stories to distinguish between fact and fiction and to remember key Historical facts Talk about simple ways in which the past is represented e.g. paintings, photos, artefacts Compare adults talking about their past – How reliable are their memories?	Identify ways that the past is represented and discuss reliability of evidence e.g. photos, paintings, accounts, stories. Compare two versions of a past event	Look at representations of the period e.g. Museum, cartoons etc. Identify and give reasons for the different ways in which the past is represented Make connections and note the cause and effect in Historical periods studied	Look at and evaluate the evidence available Begin to evaluate the usefulness of different sources Use textbooks and own growing Historical knowledge to gain a better perspective	Compare different accounts of events from different sources – fact or fiction Offer some reasons for different versions of events	Be aware that different evidence will lead to different conclusions

Skill	EYFS	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
Historical Enquiry	NURSERY Observe and engage in learning about the world around them RECEPTION Ask and answer questions about the world around them	Find answers to simple questions about the past from sources of information e.g artefacts and pictures Ask and answer simple Historical questions	Observe and handle sources and evidence to ask and answer questions about the past based on simple observations	Distinguish between different sources – compare different versions of the same story Use a range of sources to find out about a period Observe small details – artefacts, pictures Select and record information relevant to the study Begin to use the internet and library for research	Use evidence to build up a picture of a past event Use textbooks and historical knowledge Use the library and internet for research Answer and begin to devise own Historically valid questions	Begin to identify primary and secondary sources Confidently use the library and internet for research Answer and devise own Historically valid questions about change, cause, similarity and difference and significance	Recognise primary and secondary sources Link sources and work out how conclusions were arrived at Bring knowledge gathered from several sources together in a fluent account Consider ways of checking accuracy of interpretations — fact or fiction and opinion



History Skills Progression – end of year expectations

Skill	EYFS	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
Use abcold and unication and u	Use simple words to talk about the passing of time eg,	Communicate their knowledge through role play and making models Use simple terms to talk about the passing of time	Communicate their knowledge though asking and answering simple questions, drawing and role play Begin to use historical terms to talk about passing time	Communicate their knowledge through discussion, pictures, drama and writing Use historical terms to talk about passing time Begin to construct own responses that involve thoughtful selection and organisation of relevant Historical information	Communicate their knowledge through discussion, reading, writing and ICT Use Historically accurate terms to talk about the passing of time e.g. BC/AD/CENTURY Construct own responses beginning to select and organise relevant Historical information	Communicate their knowledge through relevant historical discussion, reading, writing and ICT Recall, select and organise historical information Construct informed responses that involve thoughtful selection and organisation of relevant Historical information	Communicate their knowledge through historical enquiry, reading, writing and ICT Select and organise information to produce structured work, making appropriate use of dates and terms