St Margaret's C of E Junior School

Progression of Knowledge and Skills in History



	Year 3	
	Skills	Knowledge
Chronological understanding Range and depth of historical knowledge	 Understand that a timeline can be divided into BC and AD Place the period studied on a time line Use dates and terms related to the study unit and passing of time Sequence some events or artefacts significant to the period Understanding of what life was like for early settlers Find out about everyday lives of people in a period studied Begin to compare life with our life today Identify reasons for and results of people's actions 	The Stone Age to the Iron Age Name the different sections of the Stone Age period Explain how houses evolved during the Stone Age period Explain how Stone Age people hunted and made weapons Understand how everyday life of early settlers has changed Explore how artefacts aid understanding of past civilisations Know significant dates e.g. the year of construction on Stonehenge, the start of the Iron Age, when bronze weapons were developed and the inclusion of metalwork Identify clothing of the Stone Age and Bronze Age Provide reasons as to why opinions differ about the Druids The Power of the Roman Army Name important Roman leaders such as Julius Caesar Name and identify parts of a Roman army uniform Explain who Boudicca was and her involvement with the Roman Empire Name and identify parts of the Roman Empire
nterpretations of history Historical enquiry	 Explore the idea that there are different accounts of history Identify and give reasons for different ways in which the past is represented Distinguish between different sources – compare different versions of the same story Look at representations of the period – museum, cartoons etc. Use a range of sources to find out about a period (Internet, pictures, photographs, visits, books) Observe artefacts, pictures/photographs, asking and answering questions about them to find more information 	
Organisation and ommunication	 Select and record information relevant to the study Recall, select and organise historical information Communicate their knowledge and understanding using different genres – writing, drawing, drama, story-telling, ICT (PowerPoint, posters, leaflets) 	 Explore and explain tactics of the Roman army Provide reasons as to why opinions differ about Boudicca

	Year 4		
	Skills	Knowledge	
Chronological understanding	 Understand the meaning of more complex terms e.g. BC/AD Place events from period studied on time line Use terms related to the period and begin to date significant events Place significant events on a timeline in chronological order 	 Ancient Egypt Know significant dates of Ancient Egypt e.g. first settlers, when hieroglyphics were first used, the unification of Upper and Lower Egypt, Tutankhamun's tomb discovered, pyramid construction Know the year that significant pharaohs began their rule Know the number of dynasties that existed during Ancient Egypt and explain why there was so 	
Range and depth of historical knowledge	 Use evidence to reconstruct life in period studied Identify key features and events of period studied, comparing to our lives today Look for links and effects in period studied Offer a reasonable explanation for some events and begin to explain how they have shaped our lives today 	 Name a range of significant pharaohs and explain their influence on Ancient Egypt Name main Egyptian gods and goddesses and explain their role on Egyptian beliefs Explore why the ancient Egyptians mummified bodies Discuss and explain process of mummification 	
Interpretations of history	 Look at different versions of the same event in history and identify differences Look at the evidence available, library and internet research Begin to evaluate the usefulness of different sources Know that people in the past represent events or ideas in a way that would persuade others 	 Identify the items used to preserve organs and the mummified bodies. Ancient Greek Achievements Name some gods and goddesses related to the Olympics (Zeus, Hermes) 	
<u>Historical</u> <u>enquiry</u>	 Use a range of sources to find out about a period, significant person or an event (Internet, pictures, photographs, visits, books, music, artefacts) Choose relevant material to present a picture of one aspect of life in the period studied Explain why two accounts may differ Identify accurate or inaccurate sources, giving reasons 	 Understand the importance of the Olympics to the Ancient Greeks and explain its impact today Understand Greek pottery, the images on the them and how they were used Discuss traditional Greek sports and compare them to sports in the Olympics today Crime and Punishment	
Organisation and communication	 Recall, select and organise historical information Communicate their knowledge and understanding using different genres – writing, drawing, drama, story-telling, ICT (PowerPoint, posters, leaflets) 	 Name a range of typical Elizabethan punishments Compare historical punishments to those of today Evaluate the effectiveness of primary and secondary sources Provide reasons as to why some opinions of Highwaymen may differ Explain why different sources support different interpretations 	

		Year 5
	Skills	Knowledge
Chronological understanding Range and depth of historical knowledge	 Place different periods of time in chronological order and label Know and sequence key events of period studied, using dates and relevant terms Make comparisons between different periods in the past Describe the main changes in a period of history Study different aspects of different people - 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 Explain how people/events in history have shaped our lives today Explain how some aspects of history are reflected in our locality 	 Local History – WWII Focus Explain and sequence significant events that built up to the beginning of WWII Explain the impact that Reginald Mitchell had on Britain Know who key people were during WWII Explain how Reginald Mitchell's achievements are reflected in our locality Explain what propaganda is and evaluate its reliability Identify the parts of a Spitfire
Interpretations of history Historical enquiry	 Understand that some evidence from the past is propaganda, opinion or misinformation Compare accounts of events from different sources – fact or fiction Offer some reasons for different versions/accounts of events Evaluate evidence to choose the most reliable forms Begin to identify primary and secondary sources Use a range of sources to find out about a period, significant person or an event (Internet, pictures, photographs, visits, books, music, artefacts, databases, historical buildings) Select relevant sections of information 	 Name key dates and people involved in space travel (Yuri Gagarin 1961, Neil Armstrong 1969) Explain the impact that space travel has had on our society today Evaluate the ethical issues whilst researching animals involved in space exploration Describe how space travel has changed/evolved throughout the years Anglo-Saxon Settlements Describe how settlements changed
Organisation and communication	 Ask a variety of questions and answer using research Begin to investigate own lines of enquiry Select and organise information to produce structured work, making appropriate use of dates and terms. Communicate their knowledge and understanding using different genres – writing, drawing, diagrams, data handling, drama, story-telling, ICT (PowerPoint, posters, leaflets), oral presentation. Plan and present a self-directed project or research about the period studied. 	 Know where the Anglo-Saxons were located Know dates of significant battles e.g. the Battle of Hastings Discuss causes, results and impacts of battles Explain how and why the Anglo-Saxon's beliefs changed over a period of time Explain why the Anglo-Saxons came to Britain Explore a range of Anglo-Saxon myths and explain their beliefs

	Year 6		
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Chronological understanding	 Place current study on time line in relation to other studies in previous studies Use relevant dates and terms Sequence up to 10 events on a time line Understand how some historical events occurred concurrently in different locations e.g. Ancient Egypt and Prehistoric Britain 	Viking Invaders Know significant dates of Viking raids (the first was 793) Name the significant people during the Viking Invasion and explain their role Explain and understand the reasons for their invasion of England Describe features of a Viking longhouse Figure different sources, explaining why they support different interpretations.	
Range and depth of historical knowledge	 Find out about beliefs, behaviour and characteristics of people, recognising that not everyone shares the same views and feelings Examine causes and results of great events and the impact on people, understanding reasons for actions Compare beliefs and behaviour with another time studied Write another explanation of a past event in terms of cause and effect using evidence to support and illustrate their explanation Know several key dates of period 	 Evaluate different sources, explaining why they support different interpretations Describe the relationship with the Anglo-Saxons Explain and understand the legacy of Vikings in England Inventions through History Sequence significant inventions that have had an impact on our society Name some important inventors Explain the reasons why some inventions were created Evaluate the effectiveness of different inventions Consider the implications of some inventions not being invented Mayan Civilisation Know the dates of the Mayan period 	
Interpretations of history	 Link sources and work out how conclusions were arrived at Consider ways of checking the accuracy of interpretations – fact or fiction and opinion, evaluating evidence to choose the most reliable forms Be aware that different evidence will lead to different conclusions Give clear reasons for different versions/accounts of events (link to understanding of the past) 		
<u>Historical</u> <u>enquiry</u>	 Recognise primary and secondary sources Use a range of sources to find out about a period, significant person or an event (Internet, pictures, photographs, visits, books, music, artefacts, databases, historical buildings), selecting relevant information and suggesting omissions Bring knowledge gathered from several sources together in a fluent account Investigate own lines of enquiry 	 Explore the beliefs of the Mayan Civilisation Explain how these beliefs differ from another period in history, such as the Egyptians Discuss how the civilisation has shaped the world today 	
Organisation and communication	 Select and organise information to produce structured work, making appropriate use of dates and terms. Communicate their knowledge and understanding using different genres – writing, drawing, diagrams, data handling, drama, story-telling, ICT (PowerPoint, posters, leaflets), oral presentation. Plan and present a self-directed project or research about the period studied. 		