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History - The Big Ideas and Threshold Concepts

History lessons inspire pupils' curiosity to know more about the past, to ask perceptive questions, think critically, weigh evidence, sift arguments, and develop perspective and judgement.



History helps pupils to understand the complexity of people's lives, the process of change, the diversity of societies and relationships between different groups, as well as their own identity and the challenges of their time.

These four main threshold concepts will underpin our History teaching enable our pupils to develop a history schema:

- **Investigate and interpret the past** – recognising that our understanding of the past comes from an interpretation of the available evidence.
- **Build an overview of world history** – developing an appreciation of the characteristic features of the past and that these features are similar and different across time periods, and an understanding that life is different for different sections of society.
- **Understand chronology** – understanding how to chart the passing of time and how some aspects of history happened at similar times in different places.
- **Communicate historically** – using historical vocabulary and techniques to convey information about the past.

These threshold concepts are divided into **knowledge categories** as follows to strengthen a child's schema;

Investigate and interpret the past

- **Settlements**
- **Beliefs**
- **Culture and pastimes**
- **Location**
- **Food and farming**
- **Travel and exploration**
- **Conflict**
- **Society**

Understand chronology

- **Main events**

Investigate and interpret the past

- **Artefacts**

Communicate historically

- **Vocabulary**

History Overview: Reception and Year 1 2023 2024

Early Learning Goal:	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<p>Understanding the world: People and Communities</p> <p>EYFS Coverage</p>	<p>Ourselves – birthdays, months of the year, how children have changed since being a baby.</p>	<p>Guy Fawkes – Bonfire Night</p> <p>Remembrance Day</p> <p>Christmas traditions and stories e.g. St Nicholas, Babushka, the first Christmas tree</p>	<p>Arctic/ Antarctica – who were the first people to explore the North and South Pole? e.g. Peary, Amundson, Shackleton, Scott</p> <p>Space travel – first nation into space and the moon landing.</p>	<p>How farms have changed</p> <p>Easter – historical traditions</p>	<p>Electricity and how its use has changed through time e.g. sources of light</p> <p>How transport has changed. Comparing modes of transport from now and the past.</p> <p>Inventors: early flight and the motorcar</p>	<p>How Fen Ditton has changed through time</p> <p>How everyday life and homes have changed through time</p> <p>How homes have changed – comparing how children used to live in the past and how they live today</p>



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History Overview: KS1 Cycle A 2023 2024



Year 1 and 2 Week A Milestone 1	Autumn Term 1	Spring Term 2	Summer Term 3
Week 1	Helen Keller – Look at knowledge webs for inspiration <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>	The Moon Landing <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>	Rosa Parks <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>
Week 3	Queen Victoria <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>	Grace Darling <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>	The Battle of Hastings <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>
Week 5	The first flight <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>	The Steam engine <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>	Marie Curie <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>
Week 7	The Gunpowder Plot <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>	The Great Fire of London <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>	Chronology Skills 2 <i>(See separate activities)</i>
Week 9	Neil Armstrong <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>	Emily Davison <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>	Local Area History <i>(Fen Ditton School)</i>
Week 11	Christopher Columbus <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>		The printing press <i>(Basic Tasks)</i>
Week 13	Chronology Skills 1 <i>(See separate activities)</i>		



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History Overview: KS1 Cycle A 2023 2024



Year 2 and 3 Week A Milestone 1 and 2	Autumn Term 1	Spring Term 2	Summer Term 3
Week 1	Rosa Parks <i>(Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	Chronology Skills 2 <i>(See separate activities)</i>	Emily Davison <i>(Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>
Week 3	Queen Victoria <i>(Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Moon Landings <i>(Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Battle of Hastings <i>(Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>
Week 5	Chronology Skills 1 <i>(See separate activities)</i>	The Great Fire of London <i>(Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The first aeroplane flight <i>(Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>
Week 7	The Gunpowder Plot <i>(Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	Martin Luther King Jr <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>	Grace Darling <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>
Week 9	The First World War <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>	Marie Curie <i>(Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	Local Area History <i>(Fen Ditton Village)</i>
Week 11	Local Area History <i>(Fen Ditton School)</i>		John F Kennedy <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>
Week 13	Tim Berners-Lee <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>		

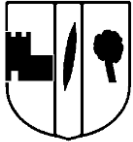


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History Overview: Lower Key Stage Two 2 Cycle A 2023 2024



Year 3 and 4 Week A Milestone 2	Autumn Term 1	Spring Term 2	Summer Term 3
Week 1	Isambard Kingdom Brunel – Look at MS1 knowledge webs for inspiration	Chronology Skills 1 <i>(See separate activities)</i>	Local Area History <i>(Fen Ditton Village)</i>
Week 3	Ancient Egypt <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>	Egyptian beliefs and burials <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	Egyptian pyramids and obelisks <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>
Week 5	Stone Age <i>(Background and Tools and Weapons focus: Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	Stone Age: Hunter-gathers <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	Chronology Skills 2 <i>(See separate activities)</i>
Week 7	The Bronze Age <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>	The Bronze Age: Clues from the past <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	Local Area History <i>(Marleigh)</i>
Week 9	The Iron Age <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>	The Iron Age: tools and weapons <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Iron Age: forts and farming <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>
Week 11	The Roman Empire <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>		The Roman Empire: Roman Britain <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>
Week 13	The Anglo Saxons <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>		



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History Overview: Upper Key Stage Two Cycle A 2023 2024



Year 4 and 5 Week A Milestone 2 and 3	Autumn Term 1	Spring Term 2	Summer Term 3
Week 1	Frida Kahlo – Look at MS1 knowledge webs for inspiration	Egyptian pyramids and obelisks <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>	Egyptian beliefs and burials <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>
Week 3	The Ancient Greeks/Clues from the past <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Ancient Greeks: Influence and Impact <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Ancient Greeks: Myths and legends <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>
Week 5	Ancient Egypt/Egyptian clues from the past <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>	Local Area History <i>(Fen Ditton)</i>	Explorers <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>
Week 7	The Second World War <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	Early Islamic civilisation: Baghdad <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>	Chronology Skills 2 <i>(See separate activities)</i>
Week 9	The Vikings <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>	The Vikings: Kingdoms and conquests <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>	The Vikings: Sailors and raiders <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>
Week 11	Chronology Skills 1 <i>(See separate activities)</i>		Local Area History <i>(Marleigh)</i>
Week 13	Early Islamic civilisation <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>		



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Year 5 and 6 Week A Milestone 3	Autumn Term 1	Spring Term 2	Summer Term 3
Week 1	Robert Scott – Look at MS1 knowledge webs for inspiration	Local Area History <i>(Cambridge)</i>	Chronology Skills 2 <i>(See separate activities)</i>
Week 3	The Aztecs: Builders and makers <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Aztecs: <i>farmers and fighters</i> <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Kingdom of Benin <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>
Week 5	The Maya <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Maya: Builders and growers <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Tudors: Tudor entertainment and exploration <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>
Week 7	The Second World War <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Tudors: Tudor Monarchs <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	Local Area History <i>(Marleigh)</i>
Week 9	The Victorian Era <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Victorians: Innovation and industry <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>	The Victorians: Exploration and empire <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>
Week 11	The Tudors <i>(Basic/Advancing/Deep Tasks)</i>		Early Islamic civilisation: Baghdad <i>(Basic/Advancing Tasks)</i>
Week 13	Chronology Skills 1 <i>(See separate activities)</i>		