History Progression of Skills EYFS and KS1



This document has been designed to show how we will cover all of the relevant history knowledge and skills across our school. The context in which these are taught is down to the discretion of teachers, where possible trying to match the content of their unit to their year group's termly topic. Please see the individual Year Group's Termly overview to see the content of the History studied at St Michael's School.



EYFS Area of Learning	KS1 Areas of study		
Understaning the World	☑ Changes within living memory. Where appropriate, these should be used to reveal aspects of change in national life.		
-People and Communities	Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally.		
-The World	The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements. Some should be used to compare aspects of life in different		
	periods.		
	Significant historical events, people and places in their own locality.		
People and Communities	Chronology	Year 1	Year 2
<u>30-50 Months</u>		Understand the difference between things that happened in the past	② Understand and use the words past and present when telling others about
☑To show interest in the lives of people who are familiar to		and the present.	an event.
them.		② Describe things that happened to themselves and other people in the	Recount changes in my own and others' lives over time.
②To remember and talk about significant events in their own		past.	② Understand how to put people, events and objects in order of when they
experiences.		② Order a set of events (2) or objects in order of time.	happened, using a given scale.
②To recognise and describe special times or events for family		② Use a timeline to place important events from earliest to latest.	② Use a timeline to place important events in order from earliest to latest.
or friends.			Use words and phrases related to each relevant topic.
②To show interest in different occupations and ways of life.	Knowledge and	Recall some facts about people/events before living memory.	Use information to describe the past.
To know some of the things that make them unique, and to	_	Say why people may have acted the way they did.	Use a range of sources to describe the differences between then and now.
talk about some of the similarities and differences in relation	understanding of		
	events, people and	☐ Listen to eye-witness accounts from grandparents.	2 Look at evidence to give and explain reasons why people in the past may
to friends or family.	changes in the past	Begin to suggest why something might be different.	have acted in the way they did.
ELG			Recount the main events from a significant event/time in history.
To talk about past and present events in their own lives and			
in the lives of family members.			
②To know about similarities and differences between			
themselves and others, and among families, communities and			
traditions.			
The World	Historical enquiry	Identify different ways in which the past is represented.	Identify different ways in which the past is represented, by looking at
30-50 Months	and interpretation	☑ Explore events, look at pictures, source materials, and ask questions	pictures, source materials, eyewitness accounts or objects.
②To comment and ask questions about aspects of their		i.e, "Which things are old and which are new?" "What were they used	Ask questions about the past by using source materials.
familiar world, such as the place where they live or the natural		for?" "What were people doing?"	② Use a wide range of information to answer questions.
world.		Begin to recount some details from the past from pictures and stories.	
②To talk about some of the things they have observed, such as		Discover about the past through role play/drama.	
plants, animals, natural and found objects.			
②To talk about why things happen and how things work.			
②To develop an understanding of growth, decay and changes	Organisation,	☑ Sort events or objects into groups (i.e. then and now.)	Describe objects, people or events in history.
over time.	evaluate and	② Use timelines to order events or objects.	② Use timelines to order events or objects or place significant people.
40-60 Months	communicate	☐ Tell stories about the past.	② Communicate ideas about people, objects or events from the past in
②To look closely at similarities, differences, patterns and	information	☐ Talk, write and draw about things from the past.	speaking, writing, drawing, role-play, storytelling and using ICT.
change.		Show knowledge and understanding about the past	Write simple stories and recounts about the past.
ELG		in different ways: role play, drawing, writing, talking.	Write simple stories and recounts about the past.
		mamerent ways. Fore play, arawing, writing, taking.	
To know about similarities and differences in relation to			
places, objects, materials and living things. To talk about the			
features of their own immediate environment and how			
environments might vary from one another.			
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