

History Curriculum Overview



Note that because there are mixed year groups through the school, topics are taught on a cyclical basis so that children in mixed year classes are all studying topics together.

KS1	Year A	Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally Titanic Why is the Titanic significant?	Significant historical events, people and places in their own locality. Local History- Our School How has Beech Hill School changed?	The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements. Kings and Queens Why are Kings and Queens significant individuals?
	Year B	Changes in living memory Toys How have toys changed and why?	Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally Great Fire of London Was the Great Fire of London a good thing for London?	The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements. Explorers Who was more important, Mary Kingsley or Christopher Columbus?
LKS2	Year A	A non-European society that provides contrasts with British history - Maya and The achievements of the earliest civilizations – an overview of where and when the first civilizations appeared Why should we study The Maya?	The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain How did the Romans impact our lives?	A study of an aspect or theme in British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066 – Explorers and Empire What is empire and how has it changed?
	Year B	A study of the achievements of the earliest civilizations Ancient Egypt and The achievements of the earliest civilizations – an overview of where	A Local History study- What was it like to live on Thicknesse Avenue in 1911?	Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age How did life change from The Stone Age to the Iron Age?

		and when the first civilizations appeared What was life like in Ancient Egypt?		
UKS2	Year A	Ancient Greece – a study of Greek life and achievements and their influence on the western world. How have the Ancient Greeks impacted our lives today?	The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor Who were the Anglo- Saxons and Vikings and why did they invade and settle in Britain?	Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots Who were the Anglo- Saxons and Scots and was their life pleasant?
	Year B	A study of an aspect or theme in British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066 - Medicine How and why has medicine changed?	A study of an aspect or theme in British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066 - The Tudors- What impact did Tudor monarchs have on British society?	A local history study - Coal Mining What impact did coal mining have on Wigan?