History Progression of Skills



The document below 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 left to the discretion of teachers, where possible trying to match the content of their unit to their year group's termly topic.

Year Group	Chronological Awareness	Knowledge and Understanding	Historical Contexts	Organise, Evaluate and Communicate Information
1	Sequence some events or 2 related objects in order of time. Use words and phrases: old, new, now, then, yesterday Remember part of stories and memories about the past.	Tell the difference between past and present in their own lives and other people lives. Listen to eye-witness accounts from grandparents. Begin to suggest why something might be different.	Begin to identify and recount some details from the past from pictures and stories. Find answers to simple questions about the past by using source material. Discover about the past through role play/drama.	Show knowledge and understanding about the past in different ways: role play, drawing, writing, talking.
2	Recount changes in own life over time. Put 3 people, events or objects in order using a given scale Use words and phrases: related to topic vocabulary to do with time	Use a range of sources to describe differences between then and now Recount main events from a significant time in history Use evidence to explain reasons why people acted in the past as they did.	Look carefully at pictures, eye- witness accounts or objects to find information about the past. Ask questions about the source material Say how features of the period influence how events are treated.	Write simple stories and recounts about the past. Draw labelled diagrams and write about them to tell others about people, objects and events from the past.

3	Use timelines to place events in order Understand timelines can be divided in BC and AD Use words and phrases: century, decade	Use evidence to describe houses and settlements, culture and the way of life, people's beliefs and attitudes and differences between rich and poor. Use evidence to find out how any of these may have changed during a time period Suggest reasons for why there were differences between periods.	Use a range of source material including visits to collate information about the past. Identify the difference between fact and opinion. Look at 2 different versions of the same event and viewpoints and identify differences in the accounts.	Present findings about past using speaking, writing, ICT and drawing skills. Uses dates and vocabulary related to topic accurately. Suggest different ways of presenting information for different purposes.
4	Name and place dates of significant events of the period on a timeline. Place certain topics on a timeline showing understanding of BC, AD. Use words and phrases: century, decade, ancient civilisations, period and topic related vocabulary which denotes the period.	Show knowledge and understanding by describing features of past societies and periods. Identify some ideas, beliefs and attitudes of past cultures giving reason for these differences. Describe how some of the past events affect life today.	Understand the difference between primary and secondary sources Give reasons why there may be different accounts of history looking at propaganda. Ask questions of the source material and suggest sources of evidence from a selection provided to help answer questions.	Present findings about the past using speaking, writing, maths (data handling), ICT, drama and drawing skills. Use dates and subject specific words such as monarch, settlement, invader accurately.
5	Sequence historical periods Identify changes within and across historical periods Use words and phrases: vocabulary relating to specific periods - Industrial Revolution, Reformation, Renaissance etc.	Identify some social, cultural, religious and ethnic diversities of societies studied in Britain and wider world. Give short term cause and consequence of the main events, situations and changes in the period studied. Identify changes and links within and across the time periods studied.	Question reliability of source material and can give reasons why something is or is not reliable. Realise that there is often not a single answer to historical questions and give clear reasons why there may be different accounts. Know that people can represent events or ideas in ways that persuade others - bias and propaganda.	Present detailed findings giving reference to historical skills being taught in a way that shows awareness of an audience. Uses dates and terms correctly.