



History Whole School Overview

	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
2-3s	Welcome Home Identify similarities and differences between family, friends and pets. Use visuals to support understanding of routines and sequences of actions.		Come Outside Make links between the immediate, past, and future events in the story by sequencing. Encourage connections to their own experiences of familiar environments.		Let's Get Wild Begin to understand how stories are structured and use the past tense "sent".	
Pre School	Magical Me Creating family tree, talking about similarities and differences	After Dark Understanding that all families are different.	It's a Bear	Once Upon a Farm Revisit nocturnal animals and talk about the different things we do in the day and at night.	How does your garden grow? Develop understanding of chronology. Identify special events such as birthdays which are past, present and future.	Dinosaurs in Space Explore the concept that dinosaurs lived in the past and long, long time ago.
Recepti on	Marvelous Me Children to familiarise themselves with the daily routines in Reception. Use the language of now, next, then and later.	Sometimes, we need a bit of magic Begin to sequence key times of their day in chronological order.	Make a Change Children look back at different stages of their life and discuss how they have changed.	Watch Us Grow Children identify things within their living memory and learn about how some things have changed and how some things have stayed the same.	All Around the World Children order photographs of themselves in Chronological order and discuss what they could/couldn't do at different points in their life.	You're off to great places Children interview older members of their life to find out about how life has changed.
Year 1	Communication Over Time Explore the nature and importance of communication, examine how it has evolved from the past to the present using artifacts and sources, and highlight its positive impact on modern society and social interactions.		Significant person from our locality - George Formby Explore his early life and upbringing in Wigan, his rise to fame in music and film, his contributions to entertainment and the local community, and reflect on his lasting legacy and why he is still remembered today.		Seaside Holidays Explore the key features of seaside holidays in the past, compare them with present-day experiences (especially in Blackpool) and examine how travel and holiday traditions have changed over time.	
Year 2	Queen Victoria Introduction to her early life, coronation, and reign, explore life during the Victorian era and key achievements of the time, and compare her legacy with that of Queen Elizabeth.		The Great Fire of London Explore when and how the fire occurred, key figures involved, the sequence of events, reasons for its rapid spread, its impact on the city, community responses, and the rebuilding efforts that shaped modern London.		The Wright Brothers Explore how travel (specifically air travel) has changed over time, highlighting early flight attempts, the Wright Brothers' groundbreaking achievements, and the lasting impact of Amelia Earhart as a pioneering female aviator.	
Year 3	Stone Age to Iron Age Explore prehistoric Britain through key stages: Paleolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic, Bronze Age, and Iron Age, examining major cultural, technological, and societal changes, including developments in farming, trade, tools, settlements, and the rise of complex communities and hill forts.			Roman Invasion of Britain Examine life in Celtic Britain before the Romans, the reasons behind the Roman invasion, key figures like Boudicca, Julius Caesar and Emperor Claudius, the success of the Roman army, and the lasting legacy of Roman culture, cities, and influence in Britain.		

Year 4	The Anglo Saxons Explore their arrival and settlement in Britain, reasons for invasion, daily life, governance, and culture, highlighting key sites like Sutton Hoo and figures like Alfred the Great, while developing skills in evaluating historical sources and understanding the lasting cultural impact of their rule.	The Viking/Saxon Struggle for Britain Explore the conflict between Anglo-Saxons and Vikings, including Viking raids and settlement, key events like the raid on Lindisfarne and the Battle of Edington, and examine the impact and legacy of Viking culture on Britain compared to the earlier Roman invasion.	Crime and Punishment since Stone Age Britain Examine how concepts of crime and punishment evolved in Britain from ancient times through the Stone, Bronze, and Iron Ages, and explore legal systems and practices during Roman, Anglo-Saxon, and Viking periods.
Year 5	Ancient Egypt Explore the key aspects of Ancient Egyptian civilisation, its geography, society, religion, daily life, leadership, achievements, and contrasts with life in Britain.	Maya Civilisations Study the Ancient Maya civilisation, including their society, religion, writing, architecture, astronomy, decline, and how they compare to the Ancient Egyptians.	
Year 6	The Legacy of the Ancient Greeks Examine the legacy of Ancient Greece through its mythology, art, architecture, democracy, science, theatre, and lasting influence on modern society.	Local History Study – The Miner’s Strikes Investigate the history and impact of the miners' strikes in Wigan, including their causes, key events, media coverage, and lasting effects on the community.	The Great Stink Explore the causes, events, and impact of the Great Stink in Victorian London, highlighting its effects on public health, sanitation, and lasting urban improvements.