

Curriculum Outline 2023-24: HISTORY

[This document summarises the content to be delivered over the course of the year. There will be some rotation of topics due to resourcing implications]

Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 5	Introduction unit - Historical methods Mystery man; inference activity Chronology, dates and timelines. Case study: Using sources to investigate the Titanic disaster	Ancient Maya Who / where? Daily life and hierarchical structure Cities Government Gods Why did Maya Society decline? Spanish Conquest and its impact		Earliest Civilisations and the Indus Valley What is a civilisation? Where was the Indus Valley? Artefacts Beliefs and the growth of Hinduism Daily life		
LITERACY	Extended explanatory writing: Who was responsible for the disaster?	Instructional writing: How to make a sacrifice to the Gods. Balance argument: Was the Spanish Conquest a good thing?			lls: What can artefacts tell us about Indus people? criptive writing: describe the Priest king.	
NUMERACY:	Dates/Timelines of events from the whole school curriculum Venn Diagrams to compare sources (2 and 3 sets)	Using the Maya numbering system		Tim	Timelines of the Indus settlements	
SMSC/Creativity/ Careers Focus			Maya masks Maya ball game			

Year 6	Anglo Saxons and Viking Struggle for the kingdom of E Who was buried in the Empty Grave? Artefacts Invade / settle? Ancient Kingdoms before 793AD Viking raids on Lindisfarne Viking longboats and navigation. Was Alfred Great? Research on the life of Aethelflaed. Compare Saxons/Vikings Interpretation of the Vikings	The Growth of the Railways North Eastern Rail pioneers - Stephenson Growth of the mainline network Development of Whitley Bay after the era of rail Railways during the War Metro network	
LITERACY	Explanation: Who was in the empty grave? News article: Lindisfarne raid.	Biography: Aetheflaed, daughter of Alfred the Great Report: Viking Longboats and navigation	Biography: George Stephenson
NUMERACY:	Roman numerals to be embedded as starter activities.	Roman numerals to be embedded as starter activities Viking/Saxon comparison Venn diagrams	Mapping the railway network
SMSC/Creativity/ Careers Focus	Creativity: Solving the mystery of Sutton Hoo	Drama: reenacting Viking myths Social/Moral: Aethelflaed and female leaders	Visit to Discovery Museum - reenacting the Rainhill Trials



Year 7	Citizenship Models of government The Parliamentary system and political parties rights, responsibilities and the justice system Norman conquest: Invasions of 1066, Battle of Hastings Feudalism and the Domesday book Harrying of the North Death in Forest Magna Carta King John - Good/Bad?	Medieval England: Crown Vs Church: Importance of church and Catholic beliefs, The First and Third Crusades, Murder of Thomas Becket, King's Great Matter, The Reformation in Europe and England, Religious rollercoaster	Civil War: Causes of the Civil War, Major battles, Cromwell and the Protectorate, Restoration
Extended Literacy opportunities:	Explanation: Who should be king in 1066? Why did William win?	Explanation: Why was Becket killed? Why did Henry VIII break with Rome?	
NUMERACY:		Simulating and modelling the spread of the Black Death	Timelines of the road to Civil War
SMSC/Creativity/ Careers Focus	Re-enactment: Hastings Citizenship: Our roles as young citizens	Reenactment: The Crusades and War of the Roses	Re-enactment: Civil War Battles Holiday brochure: visit Puritan England



Year 8	British Empire & Industrial Revolution: How did GB change? Causes of the Industrial Revolution, Population growth and working conditions, Case study - Broad Street Cholera outbreak Comparison of voting rights 1830 and 2020 What was the impact of the Empire in India? Case Study East India Company - trade and expansion Clive: Hero or Villain? The Indian Mutiny of 1857 Gandhi and the independence movement	Slavery and the Slave Trade Why did Britain get involved in the slave trade? The Middle Passage The experiences of slaves in the Americas Why was slavery abolished?	World War 1 & 2 MAIN causes of WW1 Assassination of Ferdinand Trench Warfare End of the War and the Peace Settlement Rise of Nazism and Hitler's dictatorship 1920-34
Extended Literacy opportunities:	Balanced argument: Robert Clive Newspaper article: the spread of Cholera in 1854.	Recount: Middle Passage Explanation: Why was the slave trade abolished?	Explanation: Why did Germany lose the war? Writing a tribute to a fallen soldier
NUMERACY:	Population line graphs		Line graph: Naval Arms Race
SMSC/Creativity/ Careers Focus	Changing perspectives of empire	Discussion of the immorality of the slave trade throughout topic. Comparison of the economic and moral imperatives for the abolition of slavery.	Re-enactment of trench warfare Understanding the impact of WWI on individuals from our community.



Numeracy - children will learn key years and dates throughout all topics (e.g. date of the Battle of Hastings 14/10/1066). This will occur in all four years. Quickfire maths questions will be used to embed calculation skills.

Throughout the curriculum, reading from textbooks and source material will be embedded. This will require retrieval and inference skills.