

Wallsend Jubilee Primary School

Skills Progression: History

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Chronological knowledge	Talk about special	Understand and	Sequence events or	Put people, events and	Divide the past into	Place events, people,	Compare time periods.	Confidently use and
	events such as their	sequence the routine	objects in chronological	objects on a simple	periods and sequence	places and artefacts from		understand relevant
	birthdays	of the day.	order.	timeline.	these on a time line.	period studied on a time	Sequence key events and	dates and terminology.
						line.	changes within a period.	
	Begin to recall and	Use common words to	Show where places,	Begin to use dates to	Use dates related to the			Create timelines of
	describe a sequence of	describe the passing of	people and events fit	sequence events.	passing of time.	Use correct terminology	Use relevant terms and	historical periods, change,
	real events (in the	time, e.g. after, a long	into a broad			related to the period to	dates	change and significant
	correct order) using	time ago.	chronological	Describe memories of key		describe events in the		events.
	words such as		framework.	events in lives while		past.	Relate current studies to	
	first/then	Use past, present and		extending chronological			previous studies.	Make comparisons
		future forms	Use common words to	vocabulary, eg, recently,		Uses dates when		between different times
	Count down to	accurately when	describe the passing of	century, when my		discussing time.	Make comparisons	in history.
	forthcoming events on	talking about events	time, e.g. before,	parents were children			between different times	
	the calendar in terms	that have happened or	yesterday, after, a long	and decade.		Use more complex terms	in history. (eg compare	Conduct an extended
	of number, days,	events that are to	time ago.			e.g. BCE/AD.	Anglo Saxons to Romans)	chronological study
	sleeps	happen in the future						
	Pofor to days of the							
	Refer to days of the week and day before							
	or after yesterday and							
	tomorrow.							
	tomorrow.							
	Recall what happens							
	on some days.							
Historical enquiry	Begin to sort objects	Ask questions to find	Sort artefacts "then" and	Use a source to ask	Combine a range of	Use a range of evidence	Distinguish between	Devise and ask complex
	by basic property such	out more about events	"now".	questions and find	sources to find out about	to build up a picture of a	primary and secondary	questions; contrast and
	as old/new	in their own lives,		answers.	a period.	past event.	sources.	organise responses by
		family members lives	Use as wide a range of					selecting and organising
	Use why questions to	or historical events	sources as possible to	Choose and use parts of	Understand that	Construct and organise	Devise, ask and answer	relevant historical data.
	understand	and to check they	understand ways we find	stories and other sources	knowledge about the	response by selecting	more complex questions	
		understand what has	out about the past, e.g.	to show understanding of	past is constructed from	relevant historical	about the past,	Recognise primary and
	Start a conversation	been said to them.	artefacts, pictures,	events.	a variety of sources.	material to present a	considering key concepts	secondary sources –
	with an adult or friend	tale and the best of a late	stories and websites.	eral a como de como de	Calant and an ad	picture of an aspect of	in history.	ability to analyse
	and continue it for	Identify which is old	To call and analysis	Find out about people	Select and record	life.	Colort velovent continue	information.
	many turns (finding	/which is new based	To ask and answer	and events in other	information relevant to	Conservation to the same of the same in the same of th	Select relevant sections of information	Her a verse of secures to
	out about the past from an older family	on appearance, and give reasons why	questions related to different sources and	times. (Samuel Pepys)	the study to answer questions.	Suggest where we might find answers to questions	independently giving	Use a range of sources to find out about an aspect
	member)	give reasons willy	objects.		questions.	considering a range of	reasons for choices.	of time past.
	inember)	Listen to and talk	Objects.		Observe the small details.	sources.	reasons for choices.	Suggest omissions and
		about historical	Use a range of sources to		Observe the small details.	Sources.		the means of finding out.
		stories, building	find out characteristic		Ask and answer	Ask and answer questions		and means or initially out.
		familiarity and	features of the past.		questions about the past,	about the past		Bring knowledge
		understanding.			asking specific questions	considering aspects of		gathered from several
					of various sources.	change, cause, similarity		sources together in a
						and difference and		fluent account.
					Find out about everyday	significance.		
					lives of people in time	5		Develop a broad
					studied.	Infer from sources.		understanding of ancient
								civilisations, e.g. The
					Study an ancient	Use Historical texts		Mayans
					civilization in detail.			

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Historical interpretation	Can talk about a picture of when they were a baby Understand how others might be feeling in different historical periods Comment on images of familiar situations in the past Can talk about what they see – that is old, red, soft.	Describe events in some detail. Use prompts such as photographs or leaflets to talk about things that have happened in the past.	Begin to identify different ways to represent the past, e.g. photos, stories, adults talking about the past. (invite visitor to school)	Compare pictures or photographs of people or events in the past. Able to identify different ways to represent the past, e.g. fictional accounts, illustrations, films, song, museum displays Confidently describe similarities and differences between a collection of artefacts. Discuss the effectiveness of sources – ability to communicate understanding of the past in a variety of ways.	Identify and give reasons for different ways in which the past is represented. Distinguish between different sources and evaluate their usefulness. Compare different versions of the same event/ story.	Look at the evidence available. Begin to evaluate the usefulness of different sources showing increasing awareness of the different versions of the past. Use evidence to reconstruct life in time studied.	Compare accounts of events from different sources. Fact or fiction? Reliable or not? Offer some reasons for different versions of events, showing understanding that the past is represented and interpreted in different ways. Develop an understanding of the reliability of sources.	Link sources and work out how conclusions were arrived at. Consider ways of checking the accuracy of interpretations – fact or fiction, and opinion. Awareness that different evidence will lead to different conclusions; ability to reach a balanced conclusion.
Continuity and change	Discuss their own life story and families history (photos and memories) Explore how things work and have changed over time. e.g. wind-up toys and pullys	Identify differences in their appearance and behaviour now compared to when they were a baby Identify how things may look different between the past and present	Identify some changes between then and now, e.g. toys. Know some things that stay the same.	Describe some historical changes locally and nationally.	Make links between main events, situations and changes within and across periods. Compare a time period from the past with our life today.	Look for links and effects in time studied. Study change through the lives of significant individuals.	Identify and explain change and continuity within and across periods.	Analyse change for type, extent and speed, and use more precise vocabulary, e.g. slow, gentle, progress.
Causes and consequences			Recognise why people did things and why events happened.	Understand what a consequence is and give examples. Recognise what happened as a result of people's actions or events.	Identify consequences of events, situations and changes. Begins to identify results of historical events, situations and changes. Identify reasons for and results of people's actions. Understand why people may have had to do something.	Give reasons for the cause and consequences of events, situations and changes. Identify results of historical events, situations and changes. Offer a reasonable explanation for some events. Examine causes and results of great events and the impact on people. Make links between main events, situations and changes within and across periods; give some reasons with evidence of why changes occurred.	Draw contrasts and spot trends when exploring cause and consequence. Begins to offer explanations about why people in the past acted as they did.	Analyse the reasons for, and the results of, historical events, situations and changes. Can confidently offer explanations about why people in the past acted as they did. Write another explanation of a past event in terms of cause and effect using evidence to support and illustrate their explanation.

Similarities and differences	Begin to comment on what is the same and different between old and new objects.	Can say what is the same and different in themselves and their family over time Think about the perspectives of others. Identify similarities and differences in old and new objects.	Identify similarities and differences between then and now, including their own lives. Begin to describe similarities and differences in artefacts.	Make some observations about similarities and differences within a period, e.g. rich and poor.	Compare different ways of life within a period, e.g. social, local and individual.	Give reasons for similarities and differences within a period, e.g. social, local and individual.	Explain people's diverse experiences within a period. Compare an aspect of life with the same aspect in another period. Study different aspects of life of different people Compare life in early and late times studied.	Draw contrasts across periods when exploring similarities and differences. Find out about beliefs, behaviour and characteristics of people. Study different aspects of life of different people — men and women/ Black and White citizens Compare beliefs and behaviour with another period studied. Compare and contrast the locality from different eras.
Significance	Able to talk about an important event in life such as a birth or a wedding	Can talk about special, holidays and events involving family members. To understand that we celebrate an event because of something that happened a long time ago.	Recognise and make simple observations about what was important in an historical event/ account. Eg. introduction of electricity and impact on toys today	Understand the term 'significant' and give some examples. Know why someone or something was important.	Identify significant people and events within a period.	Understand what makes something significant, e.g. affecting lots of people, leading to other events.	Understand how significance can develop over a longer period of time.	Compare the significance of events, people and developments in their context, with their significance in the present day. Give reasons why some events, people or developments are seen as more significant than others.
Overarching historical Vocabulary	EYFS First Then After Before Yesterday Tomorrow Baby Old New		Key Stage 1 Century Chronological order Living memory Similarities Differences Opinion Fact Source Interpret Enquire/enquiry Impact Research Evidence Experts Significant Recent Lifetime		Lower Key stage 2 Era/period BCE(before Common era) ACE (after Common Era) BC (before Christ) CE (Common Era) AD (Anno Domini) decade Archaeology Pre-history Biased Opinion Impact Consequences Continuity Monarchy		Upper key stage 2 Primary/secondary source Reliable Eye-witness Extent of change Extent of continuity Legacy Ambiguous Omits	