

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School



History Curriculum Phases Overview

Phases	EYFS	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
		(Y1 & Y2)	(Y3 & Y4)	(Y5 & Y6)
Investigate and	Know some	Observe or handle	Use evidence to ask	Use sources of evidence to deduce
interpret the	similarities and	evidence to ask questions	questions and find answers	information about the past.
past	differences between	and find answers to	to questions about the past.	
This concept	things in the past and	questions about the past.		Select suitable sources of evidence,
involves	now, drawing on		Suggest suitable sources of	giving reasons for choices.
understanding	their own	Ask questions such as:	evidence for	
that our	experiences and	What was it like for people?	historical enquiries.	Use sources of information to form
understanding of	what has been read	What happened? How long		testable hypotheses about the past.
the past comes	in class.	ago?	Use more than one source	
from an			of evidence for	Seek out and analyse a wide range of
interpretation of		Use artefacts, pictures,	historical enquiry in order to	evidence in order to justify claims about
the available		stories, online sources	gain a more	the past.
evidence.		and databases to find out	accurate understanding of	
		about the past.	history.	Show an awareness of the concept of
				propaganda and how historians must
		Identify some of the	Describe different accounts	understand the social context of
		different ways the past	of a historical	evidence studied.
		has been represented.	event, explaining some of the	
		·	reasons why the	Understand that no single source of
			accounts may differ.	evidence gives the full answer to
			·	questions about the past.
			Suggest causes and	
			consequences of some of	Refine lines of enquiry as appropriate.
			the main events and changes	, , , , ,
			in history.	

Build an overview of world history This concept involves an appreciation of the characteristic features of the past and an understanding that life is different for different section	Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling.	 Describe historical events. Describe significant people from the past. Recognise that there are reasons why people in the past acted as they did. 	 Describe changes that have happened in the locality of the school throughout history. Give a broad overview of life in Britain from ancient until medieval times. Compare some of the times studied with those of other areas of interest around the world. Describe the social, ethnic, cultural or religious diversity of past society. Describe the characteristic features of the past, including ideas, beliefs, attitudes and experiences of men, women and children. 	 Identify continuity and change in the history of the locality of the school. Give a broad overview of life in Britain from medieval until the Tudor and Stuarts times. Compare some of the times studied with those of the other areas of interest around the world. Describe the social, ethnic, cultural or religious diversity of past society. Describe the characteristic features of the past, including ideas, beliefs, attitudes and experiences of men, women and children
Understand chronology This concept involves an understanding of how to chart the passing of time and how some aspects of history studied were happening	• Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their own experiences and what has been read in class.	 Place events and artefacts in order on a time line. Label time lines with words or phrases such as: past, present, older and newer. 	 Place events, artefacts and historical figures on a time line using dates. Understand the concept of change over time, representing this, along with evidence, on a time line. Use dates and terms to describe events. 	 Describe the main changes in a period of history (using terms such as: social, religious, political, technological and cultural). Identify periods of rapid change in history and contrast them with times of relatively little change. Understand the concepts of continuity and change over time, representing

at similar times in different places		Recount changes that have occurred in their own lives.		them, along with evidence, on a time line. • Use dates and terms accurately in
		Use dates where appropriate.		describing events.
Communicate historically This concept	• Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles	Use words and phrases such as: a long time ago, recently, when my	 Use appropriate historical vocabulary to communicate, including: 	Use appropriate historical vocabulary to communicate, including:
involves using historical vocabulary and	in society.	parents/carers were children, years, decades and centuries to describe	• dates	datestime period
techniques to convey information		the passing of time.Show an understanding of	time periodera	• era
about the past.		the concept of nation and a nation's history.	• change	chronology continuity
		• Show an understanding of concepts such as civilisation, monarchy,	chronology.Use literacy, numeracy and	• change
		parliament, democracy, and war and peace.	computing skills to a good standard in order to	• century
			communicate information about the past.	decadelegacy.
				Use literacy, numeracy and computing skills to a exceptional standard in order
				to communicate information about the past.
				• Use original ways to present information and ideas.