

St Benedict's Catholic Primary School

Curriculum Overview: History



With Jesus, we learn,
love and laugh

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Early Years	In Early years, History is developed through the 'Understanding the World' area of learning and the characteristics of effective early learning. Children are guided to make sense of their physical world and community. This is achieved through visits, visitors, listening to stories & non-fiction books. We encourage children to develop a curiosity about the past through handling artefacts from the past such as old telephones, clocks & typewriters. Through hands on exploration, we foster a real interest in the past and teach historical language within our topics. The skills and experiences in the early years form a basis for the next steps in their historical journey into Key stage 1.		
Nursery	Changes within their lives- <i>How have they changed? Looking at birthdays</i> Celebrating traditions & celebrations- Diwali, Bonfire night, Hanukkah, Remembrance day	Lives of Significant people- <i>Ernest Shackleton</i> Celebrating traditions & Celebrations- <i>Chinese New Year, Easter Story</i>	Lives of significant people- <i>Amelia Earhart</i>
Reception	Changes within living memory- <i>looking at family members</i> Celebrating traditions- <i>Bonfire night, Remembrance Day, Diwali, Hanukkah</i> <i>Christmas toys from the past</i>	Lives of significant people- <i>Captain Scott</i> Celebrating traditions & Celebrations- <i>Chinese New Year story, Easter Story</i>	Lives of significant people- <i>Captain Cook</i>
Year 1	Changes within living memory – <i>How have shops changed?</i>	The lives of significant people – <i>Neil Armstrong, Mae Jemison, Tim Peake</i>	The lives of significant people- <i>Mary Anning and David Attenborough</i>
Year 2	Events beyond living memory <i>The Great Fire of London</i>	Local History Study <i>What can we learn about the history of Liverpool from a trip to the waterfront?</i>	
Year 3	Stone Age to Iron Age: <i>To understand the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age.</i>	The Romans <i>The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain.</i>	
Year 4	Britain's Settlement by Anglo- Saxons and Scots.	The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor.	The achievement of the earliest Civilisations- <i>Ancient Egypt.</i>

Year 5	Ancient Greece A study of Greek life and achievements and their influence on the western world	Mayans A study of the Maya civilisation compared to Anglo-Saxons	
Year 6	A study of an aspect or theme in British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066- <i>-Battle of Britain</i>	Local History Study- <i>What was it like to live through the Liverpool Blitz?</i>	A study of an aspect or theme in British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066- <i>Windrush generation</i>