History Curriculum

Intent, Implementation, Impact



Intent	Implementation	Impact
Our intent is to ensure children	At Ashbury Meadow, in Years 1 - 6, history is taught in blocks. Children also complete a	Pupils develop their historical skills and
develop their curiosity about	retention activity each lesson in order to ensure past learning is retained and between	knowledge to help them to understand
the past,	learning blocks to ensure retention. Historical skills are also learnt and practised through our	how people lived in the past and what
through making connections to	Local Studies week.	they believed was important and how
the present, wider world		this has shaped this nation and the wider
history and their locality. We	We adapt the Rising Stars History scheme of work, this enables pupils to meet the end of	world
aim to provide a history	Key stage attainment targets in the National curriculum and the aims also align with those	
curriculum which is ambitious	set out in the National Curriculum. By adapting the scheme, we can reflect the diversity	Children have the ability, willingness and
and designed for all pupils and	and needs of our school and tap into the incredible historical resources within our own	confidence in addressing and discussing
is coherently planned and	locality.	each unit's key question, giving an
sequenced towards		ability-appropriate response focusing on
cumulatively acquiring	During year 1-6, children progressively develop their understanding of the following key	historical vocabulary, skills and concepts.
knowledge and skills to enable	disciplinary	Pupils understand and can clarify to
pupils to become informed and	concepts:	others what history is and the
active citizens in the 21st	 Change and continuity. 	importance and value of studying the
century.	Cause and consequence.	subject.
	 Similarities and differences. 	Have a good understanding of
As well as supporting pupils to	Historical significance.	substantive concepts and make links
learn and recall historical	Historical interpretations.	between historical concepts and time
knowledge, we also aim to	• Sources of evidence.	scales.
develop pupils' historical skills		
and develop their schema in	As well as chronology	Children's knowledge and skills in history
historical substantive concepts.	The second se	develops progressively in line with the
	These concepts will be encountered in different contexts during the study of local, British	national curriculum in order to equip
We intend to provide pupils	and world history. Children will have varied opportunities to learn how historians use	them with the skills they need to
with a clear understanding of	these skills to analyse the past and make judgements. Including local historical studies	understand the past and progress into
	and our annual Local studies week, which has whole school focus, adapted to the	secondary school history study.
	relevant year groups. This year it is the history of our school. They will confidently	

how people lived in the rest	develop and use their own, historical skill set. As children progress through to user C	
how people lived in the past and		
what they believed to be	they will create their own historical enquiries to study using sources and the skills they have developed.	
important. We intend to engage		
children with challenging	Substantive concepts such as Civilisation, Legacy and Power & Rule, are introduced in Key	
themes so that they better	stage 1, clearly identified in Lower key stage 2 and revisited in Upper key stage 2 (see	
understand events which occur	Progression of skills and knowledge and spiral curriculum) allowing knowledge of these	
in the present day.	key concepts to grow. These concepts are returned to in different contexts, meaning that	
	pupils begin to develop an understanding of these abstract themes which are crucial to	
We intend to develop pupils'	their future learning in History. Further substantive concepts are introduced in KS2, and	
understanding of what it is to	again repeatedly revisited. These include Trade, Beliefs & Religion and Invasion,	
be a historian and how they	settlement and migration. Pupils are encouraged to find links between these concepts	
gain an understanding of how	and other areas of the curriculum, for example, British Values. (See substantive concepts, links to other curriculum areas)	
we know about the past through a range of sources of		
evidence considering their	In EYFS, children explore history through the area of learning Understanding the World.	
utility and reliability.	Children discuss their own and their families' history and explore the differences through the	
	past and present primarily through stories, continuous provision and class discussions.	
	Throughout the school, each year children experience a "Global Day". During this day children	
	will learn about a different country or cultural, special historical event. This day helps to develop their knowledge of and celebrate national and world people and events and various	
	places both close to home and afar.	
	In order to support all pupils in accessing the history curriculum, teachers ensure all lesssons	
	are adapted to meet needs. This includes the use of technology, widgit, storytelling and role	
	play as well as the EEF '5 a day' approach.	
	To support the implementation of a unit of work, curriculum leaders have created unit overviews which contain:	
	Links to prior knowledge	
	 Substantive knowledge and disciplinary knowledge to be taught 	
	 Links to up to date, specific resources and examples 	
	End points for assessment	
	Future links to related concepts	
	Key vocabulary.	