History progression document

Nursery Focus on chronological awareness and change and continuity	Reception Focus on chronological awareness and change and continuity
Looking at ourselves and our heritage, different hair, skin etc. Looking at our own history - Family Photos. How we have changed. Grown from a baby to children. How have bikes, cars, planes and shoes changed throughout history? Looking at our own history. Grown from a baby to children - pictures of the children when they started Nursery and now. How have we changed? Different hair, taller etc. Important people in my life. My family - how is my family different/the same as other families? Is my family the same as it was when I was a baby? Family photos and class discussions around them e.g. I have a baby brother now but I didn't two years ago.	 When thinking about their families, children will send in family photos or baby pictures to talk about the past and present and how the children have changed. Children begin to understand that the celebrations they take part in have taken part for many years When learning about the Nativity, children will begin to understand why Mary travelled on a donkey and not in a car! Children look at similarities and differences between buildings and structures (The Etihad, our school, The B of the Bang) and explore changes over time. Through our investigation of where food comes from children begin to make comparisons between the past and now in terms of the equipment available to get food on the shelves e.g. old mills/ windmills in comparison to modern factories. Children are able to make connections to past/present and future when thinking about the stages of the human lifecycle and linking to where they are now in the life cycle or other family members. Children to look at pictures of themselves bringing in pictures from home) when they are babies and discuss similarities and differences from the oast and then how they think they will look in the future. Children learn that dinosaurs are prehistoric creatures that existed a long time ago. Children re-look at their own history, they think about how they have grown/changed since beginning in Early years.

Chronological awareness

Year 1	Year 2
To know that a timeline shows the order events in the past happened.	To know a decade is ten years.
To know that we start by looking at 'now' on a timeline then look back.	To know that beyond living memory is more than 100 years ago.
To know that 'the past' is events that have already happened.	To know that events in history may last different amounts of time.
To know that 'the present' is time happening now.	
To know that within living memory is in the life time of their grandparents,	
extended to 100 years, after term 5.	

Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
To know that history is divided into periods of history e.g. ancient times, middle ages and modern. To know that we can use dates to work out the interval between periods of time and the duration of historical events or periods. To know that BC means before Christ and is used to show years before the year 0. To know that AD means Anno Domini and can be used to show years from the year 1AD. To know that prehistory is the period of time before written methods and stretches until the Roman invasion in AD43. To know that prehistory is divided into the Paleolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic, Bronze Age and Iron Age. To know that the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age periods are named after the materials that were commonly used to make tools. To know that King Charles II reigned from 1660-1685, and this was known as the Restoration Period, because he restored the Stewart Monarchy. To know that the Victorian period is the period 1833-1901 and roughly coincides with the years that Queen Victoria ruled.	To understand the term "century" and how dating by centuries works. (e.g. the 1500s are known as the 16th century) To know relevant dates and relevant terms for the period and period labels e.g.Stone Age, Bronze Age, Iron Age, Anglo-Saxons, Ancient Egyptians,

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Sequencing three or four events in their own life (e.g. birthday, starting	Sequencing six artefacts on a timeline.
school, starting Year 1).	Can describe the sequence
Describe the sequence	Know whether it is within or beyond living memory
Know which event is furthest in the past and which event is closest to now.	Sequencing up to six photographs, focusing on the intervals between events.
	Placing events on a timeline, building on times studied in Year 1.

Using common words and phrases for the passing of time (e.g. now, long ago, then, before, after). Sequencing three or four artefacts/photographs from different points of time.	Beginning to recognise how long each event lasted. Knowing where people/events studied fit into a chronological framework.
Placing events on a simple timeline.	
Recording on a timeline a sequence of historical stories heard orally.	

Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Sequencing events on a timeline, referring to times studied in KS1 to see	Sequencing events on a timeline, comparing where it fits in with times studied in
where these fit in.	previous year groups.
Understanding that history is divided into periods of history e.g. ancient	Understanding the term "century" and how dating by centuries works.
times, middle ages and modern.	Putting dates in the correct century.
Using dates to work out the interval between periods of time and the	Using the terms AD and BC in their work.
duration of historical events or periods.	Using relevant dates and relevant terms for the period and period labels e.g. Stone
Know if they overlap	Age,
Using BC/AD/Century.	Bronze Age, Iron Age, Romans, Anglo-Saxons, Vikings, Romans,
Know which comes first, BC or AD?	Developing a chronologically secure understanding of British, local and world history
	across the periods studied.
Sequencing eight to ten artefacts, historical pictures or events.	Placing the time, period of history and context on a timeline.
Know if it is a single event or something across time	Relating current study on timeline to other periods of history studied.
Beginning to develop a chronologically secure knowledge of local, British and	Comparing and making connections between different contexts in the past.
world history across the periods studied.	Sequencing 10 events on a timeline and apply knowledge to describe the
Placing the time studied on a timeline.	significance of the order of events
Know which period comes first, which period is the longest	
Using dates and terms related to the unit and passing of time e.g. millennium,	
continuity	
and ancient.	
Noticing connections over a period of time.	
Making a simple individual timeline.	

Sub strand	Year 1	Year 2
Power and rule		To know that a monarch in the UK is a king or queen.
		To begin to understand that power is exercised in different ways in
		different culture, times and groups e.g. monarchy.
		To know that Britain was organised into kingdoms and these were
		governed by monarchs.
		To know there was national and local governance
Legacy	To know some inventions that still influence their own lives today	To begin to identify achievements and inventions that still influence their
	(e.g. toys – the invention of the teddy bear, electronic toys, plastic	own lives today (e.g. schools, planes,travel,).
	toys etc.)	To know the lasting impact of significant events, e.g The Great Fire of
	To know some achievements and discoveries of significant	London
	individuals (e.g. explorers,1st flight, Rainhill Trials).	To know some achievements and discoveries of significant individuals.g
		Dr Barnado
Civilisation	To know that leisure and education existed in living memory within	To begin to understand that society is organised into different ways and
	the family	consisted of different groups of people.
		To begin to understand how leisure has developed
Sub strand	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Power and Rule	To understand the development of groups, kingdom and monarchy	To understand how the monarchy exercised absolute power.
	in Britain.	To understand the process of democracy and parliament in Britain.
	To know who became the first ruler of the whole of England.	To understand that different empires have different reasons for their
	To develop an understanding that there are layers of rule within	expansion.
	society from local government to National Government	To understand that there are changes in the nature of society.
	To understand the expansion of empires and how they were	To understand that there are layers of rule within society from local
	controlled across a large empire.	government to National Government
	To understand that societal hierarchies and structures existed	To know that there are different reasons for the decline of different
	including aristocracy and peasantry.	empires.
	To understand some reasons why empires fall/collapse.	
Invasion,	To know that there were different reasons for invading Britain.	To understand the motivation of invaders within and to Britain.
settlement and	To understand that there are varied reasons for coming to Britain.	To understand the importance of invasion and migration to the
migration	To know that there are different reasons for migration.	development of civilisations.
	To know that settlement created tensions and problems.	To understand there are increasingly complex reasons for migrants
	To understand the impact of settlers on the existing population.	coming to Britain.
	To understand the earliest settlements in Britain.	To understand that migrants come from different parts of the world.
	To know that settlements changed over time.	To know about the diverse experiences of the different groups coming to
		Britain over time.

Civilisation (social and cultural)	To understand how invaders and settlers influence the culture of the existing population. To understand that society was organised in different ways in different cultures and times and consisted of different groups with different roles and lifestyles. To know that leisure existed in some cultures, times and groups.	 To understand the changes and reasons for the organisation of society in Britain. To understand how society is organised in different cultures, times and groups. To be able to compare development and role of leisure in societies. To understand the changing role of women and men in Britain. To understand that there are differences between early and later civilisations. To know the factors that contributed to the longevity of successful civilisations.
Trade	 To know that communities traded with each other and over the English Channel in the Prehistoric Period. To understand that trade began as the exchange of goods. To understand that trade routes existed between Britain in the Roman times. To understand that the Roman invasion led to a great increase in British trade with the outside world. To understand that trade develops in different times and ways in different civilisations. To understand that the traders were the rich members of society. To know that trade was a motivation for invasion and journeys 	To understand that trade routes existed between Britain in the Roman, Anglo-Saxon and Viking times. To understand that trading ships and centres (e.g. York) were a reason for the Vikings raiding Britain. To understand the impact of trade on the development and success of civilisations To know that trade routes from Britain expanded across the world and were impacted on by WW 1 & 2. To understand that the methods of trading developed from in person to boats, trains and planes. and To link knowledge to an understanding of global trade in Geography.
Religion & Beliefs	To understand that there are different beliefs in different cultures, times and groups. To know about paganism and the introduction of Christianity in Britain. To know how Christianity spread. To compare the beliefs in different cultures, times and groups.	To be aware of the different beliefs that different cultures, times and groups hold. To understand the changing nature of religion in Britain and its impact. To be aware of how different societies practise and demonstrate their beliefs. To be able to identify the impact of beliefs on society.

Legacy	To understand the significance of iron throughout history To be able to identify achievements and inventions that still influence our lives today from Roman times. To be aware of the achievements of the Ancient Egyptians. To show an awareness of an understanding of how history matters in our world, using examples e.g iron to support this	To know the legacy and contribution of the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings to life today in Britain To understand that people in the past were as inventive and sophisticated in thinking as people today. To know that new and sophisticated technologies were advanced which allowed cities to develop. To understand the impact of war on local communities. To know some of the impacts of war on daily lives. To understand of how history matters in our world, using examples e.g the legacy of WW2 on our lives today
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Progression of skills and knowledge

Disciplinary concepts

Sub strand	Year 1	Year 2
Change and	Beginning to look for similarities and differences over time in their	Identifying similarities and difference between ways of life at different
continuity	own lives.	times.
	Describing simple changes and ideas/objects that remain the same.	Identifying simple reasons for changes.
	Understanding that some things change while other items remain the	
	same and	To know that daily life has changed over time but that there are some
	some are new.	similarities to life today.
	To know that people change as they grow older.	
	To know that throughout someone's lifetime, some things will change	
	and some things will stay the same.	
	To know that everyday objects have changed over time.	
Cause and	Asking why things happen and beginning to explain why with support.	Asking questions about why people did things, why events happened
consequence		and what happened as a result. Recognising why people did things,
	To know that everyday objects have changed as new materials have	why events happened and what happened as a result.
	been invented.	
		To know that changes may come about because of improvements in
		technology.
Similarities and	Being aware that some things have changed and some have stayed	Knowing some things which have changed / stayed the same as the
differences	the same in their own lives.	past.
		Finding out about people, events and beliefs in society.

	 To know that there are similarities and differences between their lives today and their lives in the past. To know some similarities and differences between the past and their own lives. To know that people celebrate special events in different ways. To know that everyday objects have similarities and differences with those used for the same purpose in the past. 	Making comparisons with their own lives. To know that there are explanations for similarities and differences between children's lives now and in the past.
Sub strand	Year 1	Year 2
Handling evidence	Using artefacts, photographs and visits to local area to answer simple questions about the past. Finding answers to simple questions about the past using sources (e.g. artefacts). Sorting artefacts from then and now. To know that photographs can tell us about the past. To know that we can find out about the past by asking people who were there. To know that we remember some (but not all) of the events that we have lived through.	Using artefacts, photographs and visits to museums to ask and answer questions about the past. Making simple observations about a source or artefact. Using sources to show an understanding of historical concepts (see above). Identifying a primary source. To know that we can find out about how places have changed by looking at maps. To know that historians use evidence from sources to find out more about the past.
Historical interpretations	Beginning to identify different ways to represent the past (e.g. photos, stories). Developing their own interpretations from historical artefacts.	Recognising different ways in which the past is represented (including eye-witness accounts). Comparing pictures or photographs of people or events in the past. Developing their own interpretations from photographs and written
	To know that the past can be represented in photographs.	sources. To know that the past is represented in different ways.

Sub strand	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Sub strand Change and continuity	Lower Key Stage 2 Identifying reasons for change and reasons for continuities. Identifying what the situation was like before the change occurred. Comparing different periods of history and identifying changes and continuity. Describing the changes and continuity between different periods of history. Identifying the links between different societies. To know that change can be brought about by advancements in transport and travel. To know that change can be brought about by advancements in materials. To know that change can be brought about by advancements in materials.	Upper Key Stage 2 Making links between events and changes within and across different time periods / societies. Identifying the reasons for changes and continuity. Describing the links between main events, similarities and changes within and across different periods/studied. Describing the links between different societies. Explaining the reasons for changes and continuity using the vocabulary and terms of the period as well. Analysing and presenting the reasons for changes and continuity. To know that change can be brought about by conflict. To know that change can be traced using the census
Cause and consequence	Identifying the consequences of events and the actions of people. Identifying reasons for historical events, situations and changes. To know that the actions of people can be the cause of change. To know that advancements in science and technology can be the cause of change.	Giving reasons for historical events, the results of historical events, situations and changes. Starting to analyse and explain the reasons for, and results of historical events, situations and change. To know that members of society standing up for their rights can be the cause of change.
Similarities and differences	Identifying similarities and differences between periods of history. Explaining similarities and differences between daily lives of people in the past and today. Identifying similarities and differences between social, cultural, religious and ethnic diversity in Britain and the wider world.	Describing similarities and differences between social, cultural, religious and ethnic diversity in Britain and the wider world. Making links with different time periods studied. Describing change throughout time.
Historical significance	Recalling some important people and events. Identifying who is important in historical sources and accounts. To know that significant archaeological findings are those which change how we see the past. To know that 'historically significant' events are those which changed many people's lives and had an impact for many years to come.	Identifying significant people and events across different time periods. Comparing significant people and events across different time periods. Explain the significance of events, people and developments. To know how historians select criteria for significance and that this changes.
Sub strand	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Handling evidence	Using a range of sources to find out about a period. Using evidence to build up a picture of a past event. Observing the small details when using artefacts and pictures.	Recognising primary and secondary sources. Using a range of sources to find out about a particular aspect of the past.

	Identifying sources which are influenced by the personal beliefs of the	Identifying bias in a source and identifying the value of the sources to
	author.	historical enquiry and the limitations of sources.
	To know that archaeological evidence can be used to find out about	Describing how secondary sources are influenced by the beliefs,
	the past.	cultures and time of the author.
	To know that we can make inferences and deductions using images from the past.	To know that a census is carried out every ten years and is an official survey of the population which records every person living in a
		household on a specific date.
		To understand the types of information that can be extracted from the census.
		To understand that inventories are useful sources of evidence to find out about people from the past.
		To understand some of the key terms on the census, for example, scholar, ditto, occupation and marital status.
		To understand how to compare different census extracts by analysing
		the entries in individual columns.
		To know that the most reliable sources are primary sources which
		were created for official purposes.
Historical	Identifying and giving reasons for different ways in which the past is	Comparing accounts of events from different sources.
interpretations	represented.	Suggesting explanations for different versions of events.
	Identifying the differences between different sources and giving	Evaluating the usefulness of historical sources.
	reasons for the ways in which the past is represented.	Identifying how conclusions have been arrived at by linking sources.
	Exploring different representations from the period e.g.	Developing strategies for checking the accuracy of evidence.
	archaeological evidence, museum evidence, cartoons and books.	Addressing and devising historically valid questions.
	Evaluating the usefulness of different sources.	Understanding that different evidence creates different conclusions.
	Independently using textbooks to gain historical knowledge.	Evaluating the interpretations made by historians.
	To know that archaeological evidence has limitations: it does not give	To know that we must consider a source's audience, purpose, creator
	all the answers or tell us about the emotions of people from the past.	and accuracy to determine if it is a reliable source.
	To know that assumptions made by historians can change in the light	To understand that there are different interpretations of historical
	of new evidence.	figures and events.

Progression of skills

Historical enquiry

Sub strand	Year 1	Year 2
Posing historical	Asking how and why questions based on stories, events and people.	Asking a range of questions about stories, events and people.
questions	Asking questions about sources of evidence (e.g. artefacts).	Understanding the importance of historically-valid questions.
Gathering,	Using sources of information, such as artefacts, to answer questions.	Understanding how we use books and sources to find out about the
organising and	Drawing out information from sources.	past.

evaluating evidence	Making simple observations about the past from a source.	Using a source to answer questions about the past. Evaluating the usefulness of sources to a historical enquiry. Selecting information from a source to answer a question. Identifying a primary source.
Interpreting findings, analysing and making connections	Interpreting evidence by making simple deductions. Making simple inferences and deductions from sources of evidence. Describing the main features of concrete evidence of the past or historical evidence (e.g. pictures, artefacts and buildings).	Making links and connections across a unit of study. Selecting and using sections of sources to illustrate and support answers.
Evaluating and drawing conclusions	Drawing simple conclusions to answer a question.	Making simple conclusions about a question using evidence to support.
Communicating findings	Communicating findings through discussion and timelines with physical objects/ pictures. Using vocabulary such as - old, new, long time ago. Discussing and writing about past events or stories in narrative or dramatic forms. Expressing a personal response to a historical story or event. (e.g. Saying, writing or drawing what they think it felt like in response to a historical story or event.)	Communicating answers to questions in a variety of ways, including discussion, drama and writing (labelling, simple recount). Using relevant vocabulary in answers. Describing past events and people by drawing or writing. Expressing a personal response to a historical story or event through discussion, drawing our writing.

Sub strand	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Posing historical	Understanding how historical enquiry questions are structured.	Planning a historical enquiry.
questions	Creating historically-valid questions across a range of time periods,	Suggesting the evidence needed to carry out the enquiry.
	cultures and groups of people.	Identifying methods to use to carry out the research.
	Asking questions about the main features of everyday life in periods	Asking historical questions of increasing difficulty e.g. who governed,
	studied, e.g. how did people live.	how and with what results?
	Creating questions for different types of historical enquiry.	Creating a hypothesis to base an enquiry on.
	Asking questions about the bias of historical evidence.	Asking questions about the interpretations, viewpoints and
		perspectives held by others.
Gathering,	Using a range of sources to construct knowledge of the past.	Using different sources to make and substantiate historical claims.
organising and	Defining the terms 'source' and 'evidence'.	Developing an awareness of the variety of historical evidence in
evaluating	Extracting the appropriate information from a historical source.	different periods of time.
evidence	Selecting and recording relevant information from a range of sources	Distinguishing between fact and opinion.
	to answer a question.	Recognising 'gaps' in evidence.
	Identifying primary and secondary sources.	Identifying how sources with different perspectives can be used in a
	Identifying the bias of a source.	historical enquiry.
	Comparing and contrasting different historical sources	

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		Using a range of different historical evidence to dispute the ideas,
		claims or perspectives of others.
		Considering a range of factors when discussing the reliability of
		sources, e.g. audience, purpose, accuracy, the creators of the source.
Interpreting findings, analysing	Understanding that there are different ways to interpret evidence. Interpreting evidence in different ways.	Interpreting evidence in different ways using evidence to substantiate statements.
and making	Understanding and making deductions from documentary as well as	Making increasingly complex interpretations using more than one
connections	concrete	source of evidence.
	evidence e.g. pictures and artefacts.	Challenging existing interpretations of the past using interpretations
	Making links and connections across a period of time, cultures or	of evidence.
	groups.	Making connections, drawing contrasts and analysing within a period
	Asking the question "How do we know?"	and across time.
		Beginning to interpret simple statistical sources.
Evaluating and	Understanding that there may be multiple conclusions to a historical	Reaching conclusions which are increasingly complex and
drawing	enquiry question.	substantiated by a range of sources.
conclusions	Reaching conclusions that are substantiated by historical evidence.	Evaluating conclusions and identifying ways to improve conclusions.
conclusions	Recognising similarities and differences between past events and	
	today.	
Communicating	Communicating knowledge and understanding through discussion,	Communicating knowledge and understanding in an increasingly
findings	debates, drama, art and writing.	diverse number of ways, including discussion, debates, drama, art,
linuings	Constructing answers using evidence to substantiate findings.	writing, blog posts and podcasts.
	Identifying weaknesses in historical accounts and arguments.	Showing written and oral evidence of continuity and change as well as
	Creating a simple imaginative reconstruction of a past event using the	indicating simple causation.
	evidence available to draw, model, dramatise, write or retell the story.	Using historical evidence to create an imaginative reconstruction
	Creating a structured response or narrative to answer a historical	exploring the feelings of people from the time.
	enquiry.	Constructing structured and organised accounts using historical terms
	Describing past events orally or in writing, recognising similarities and	and relevant historical information from a range of sources.
	differences with today.	Constructing explanations for past events using cause and effect.
		Using evidence to support and illustrate claims.