

History Curriculum Overview

Year group/term	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Year 1	Toys		Knights & Castles		Seaside	
	- Comparing modern and old toys. - Chronological ordering. - Researching the past. - Guy Fawkes.		Comparing past and present – how fairy tales have changed over time.	- Kings & Queens. - Castles - parts of castles. - Castle jobs.	- Seaside holidays past & present. - Victorian seaside. - Using artefacts.	<i>Local Area Study Week</i> History of Bridlewood Primary School.
Year 2	All Action Heroes	Fire, Fire!	Roald Dahl	'The BFG'	Australia	Secret Garden
		<i>Great Fire of London</i> - Timeline of events - Historical sources - Samuel Pepys <i>The Gunpowder Plot</i>	<i>The life of Roald Dahl</i> - Timeline of his life. - Timeline of his publications		- Early Australian Aboriginal culture. <i>The Dreamings</i> stories	<i>Local Area Study Week</i>
Year 3	Rainforests		Stone Age to Iron Age	'A Midsummer Night's Dream'	The Romans	
			- Prehistory and the rise of humans. - The Stone Age - Life as hunters and farmers.	- Stonehenge /Avebury. - Bronze age life - Iron Age hill forts. - Art & culture	- Roman Empire. - Romans in Britain: - invasion & settlement. - Roman army/soldiers. - British resistance - Boudicca	- Roman lifestyle. - Roman art & culture. - Achievements & legacy. - Archaeological evidence. <i>Local Area Study Week</i>
Year 4	Invaders		European Journey	'The Tempest'	Ancient Greece	Animal Kingdom
	<i>Anglo-Saxons</i> - Anglo-Saxon invasion & settlement. - Kings & kingdoms. - settlement. - Anglo-Saxon culture	<i>Vikings</i> - Viking invasion & settlement - Raid on Lindisfarne - Viking culture – Viking Day 1066		<i>William Shakespeare</i> Life & times of William Shakespeare [English link]	- Lifestyle & culture of Ancient Greek people - Timelines - Greek buildings – features & roles - The Olympics - Legacy	<i>Local Area Study Week</i>
Year 5	Ancient Egypt		Space	'Macbeth'	Extreme Earth	North America
	- Ancient Egypt in context – when & where - Art, culture & daily life (including stories & creation myths; hieroglyphics) - Egyptian rulers – dynasties & battles (Tutankhamen) - Burial, tombs & artefacts – mummification - Egyptologists - Howard Carter		<i>20th century</i> - The space race - Apollo moon landings - Geocentric and heliocentric theories	<i>Shakespeare's England</i> - Timeline of Kings and Queens; James I. - Religion and beliefs during Jacobean era. - Elizabeth I – science and progress. - History of the theatre		<i>Local Area Study Week</i> - History of civil rights. - Martin Luther King & Rosa Parks
Year 6	WWII		Our Changing World	'Pig-heart Boy'	Stage and Screen	
	- Origins and allies - Churchill - The Battle of Britain - Wartime Swindon	- The home front - VE Day - Women at war - Evacuees - Anne Frank		- Ancient civilisations - Maya daily life, art & culture, maths & writing	<i>Early 20th century</i> - History of film - In-depth study of sinking of the Titanic	<i>Local Area Study Week</i> History of Swindon