St Philips EYFS/KS1 History Skills/Knowledge Progression Map



Historical Knowledge: Constructing the past	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2
Study knowledge of and can recall key information and characteristic features of historical periods.	In discussion, children can talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society.	In discussion, can recall some of the key events and people associated with themes studied within family, local, national and global history, e.g. within the history of flight or the development of railways. Descriptions of the above demonstrate some understanding of the characteristic features of the period studied, e.g. technology available.	Can confidently and accurately retell the story of events, etc. associated with themes studied within family, local, national and global history, e.g. the Gunpowder Plot and the Great Fire of London. Descriptions of the above demonstrate an understanding of the characteristic features of the period studied, e.g. technology available or religion.
Historical Knowledge: Sequencing the past	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2
Know where people and events fit within a chronological framework.	Children can know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.	Can depict on a timeline the sequence of a few objects or images and/or pieces of information related to a topic, e.g. events related to family life in the past in correct order.	Can sequence on an annotated timeline independently and with some confidence a number of objects or events related to an aspect of a topic studied, e.g. seaside holidays in the past in the correct order. Begin to explain why they have placed the items in this sequence.
Develop awareness of the past, using common words and phrases relating to the passing of time.	Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full	Begin to use a range of common words relating to the passage of time, e.g related to a discussion of their grandparent's pupilhood, e.g.	Can use a wider range of terms and phrases, e.g. nowadays, in the past, previously, and depending on the context and opportunities be able to

sentences, including use of past,	now, then, new old, when, before,	use more complex terms, e.g. last
present and future tenses.	etc.	century, decade, and those related
	Demonstrate a secure understanding	to time periods.
	of the words used.	Demonstrate secure understanding
	Will require little prompting to use	of the terms used.
	these words.	Independently use the terms
		appropriately.

History Concepts: Change and Development/Similarity and Difference	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2
Identify similarities and differences between ways of life in different periods/times.	Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past.	Can identify independently a range of similarities, differences and changes within a specific time period, e.g. between early and modern trains or aeroplanes.	Can describe independently, confidently and accurately similarities, differences and changes both within and across time periods and topics, e.g. between holidays at different times in the past and today. May begin to demonstrate an understanding of which are the most important differences and why.

History Concepts: Cause and Effect	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2
Choose and use parts of stories and	Understand the past through	Can identify at least one relevant	Can identify several causes and
other sources to show that they	settings, characters and events	cause for, and effect of, several	effects of events covered, e.g. the
know and understand key features of	encountered in books read in class	events covered, e.g. of the	Great Fire of London and The
events related to their cause and	and storytelling.	development of flight or of the	Gunpowder Plot.
effect.		railways.	Will begin to understand that some
			of the causes and/or effects are of
			particular importance, e.g. for the
			Great Fire of London taking place.

History Concepts: Significance and Interpretations	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2
Understand some of the ways in which they can find out about the past and identify different ways it is represented.	Can understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling.	Demonstrate through examples and discussion an understanding of the term 'significance'. Can give some valid reasons why someone or something is significant, e.g. an explorer making an important discovery. Will begin to make connections between significant events or people, e.g. the explorers studied.	Can give a broad range of valid reasons why someone or something is significant. Demonstrate a secure understanding of the term significance. Can give some valid reasons why one aspect of a person's life or event is of particular importance in making them/it significant. Can make valid connections and judgements between significant events or people, e.g. why one of our local heroes is more worthy of study than another.

Historical Enquiry: Planning and Carrying out a Historical Enquiry	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2
Ask and answer questions, choose and use parts of stories and other sources to show that they know and understand key features of events, use a wide vocabulary of everyday historical terms.	Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.	Can plan a small enquiry by asking relevant questions. Can find relevant information to answer questions using at least one story and another type of source, e.g. 'Which are the most significant explorers?' Can use appropriate historical vocabulary.	Can pose a range of valid questions independently. Can find relevant information from more than one source to confidently answer these questions. e.g. to answer 'Why we should remember a local hero?' Can use a range of appropriate vocabulary in both their questions and answers.

Historical Enquiry: Using Sources as Evidence	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2
Understand some of the ways in which they find out about the past and identify different ways in which it is represented.	Children will begin to make sense of their own life-story and family's history. Images of familiar situations in the past, such as homes, schools, and transport will be shown.	Can extract some information from more than one type of source to find out about an aspect of the past. e.g. about their grandparent's childhood. These sources could include written, visual, oral sources and artefacts including the environment.	Can select key information independently from several different types of source including written, visual, oral sources and artefacts, etc. to answer historical questions, e.g. about a local hero. Demonstrate an understanding that some sources are more useful than others in providing information to answer a historical question.

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