



Our History Curriculum

Through our history curriculum, we intend to provide children with a deep understanding of the past, and to develop their ability to think critically, analytically, and creatively about historical events, people, and issues. This will help them make informed decisions about the world around them.

To achieve this, we will:

- Provide a chronological and thematic study of world history, focusing on key events, people, and ideas that have shaped the world as we know it.
- Encourage children to think critically about historical sources and to develop their own historical arguments.
- Develop children's skills in historical research, analysis, and interpretation, and to use a range of primary and secondary sources.
- Promote a sense of curiosity about the past and to develop a sense of empathy towards people from different cultures and time periods.
- Encourage children to understand the complexity of historical events and to appreciate the diversity of perspectives on historical issues.
- Provide opportunities for children to explore the connections between historical events and the contemporary world.
- Foster a love of history and to inspire children to become lifelong learners.

Big Ideas about History

In our curriculum, we focus on 'Big Ideas'. In History, these 'ideas' are threads that run through the history curriculum and underpin what history is and why is important to study it.

1. History is the study of the past, its people and their societies.
2. Events in the past have had a significant impact on the world we live in today.
3. People in the past had different experiences and perspectives.
4. History is made up of different stories, some of which are well-known and others that are less well-known.
5. Historical sources can be used to understand the past and to make sense of historical events.
6. The study of history can help us to understand different cultures and societies.
7. Historical knowledge and skills can be used to understand and make decisions about the world around us.
8. History is a dynamic and ever-changing subject.
9. Learning from the past helps us make sense of the present and plan for the future.

These ideas help children to understand the complexity of the world around us and how different natural and human factors shape the environment. It also helps them to develop an understanding of how human activity affects the planet and how different cultures and regions interact with each other. It also helps them to develop an understanding of how human activity affects the planet and how different cultures and regions interact with each other. Additionally, it encourages them to think critically and analytically about historical events and to develop their own historical perspectives.