



History Curriculum Plan Overview

Year 8			
Term	Topic	Learning	How can parents' best support
Autumn 1	Tudors	Introduction to the Tudors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Who? When? Where? What? Why? How? The War of the Roses Henry VIII <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appearance of Henry VIII young contrasted with old - The wives of Henry VIII People of Tudor England <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contrasts between rich and poor - Contrasts between Tudor food and drink - Understanding Tudor medicine 	Your child will have studied the Tudors before. Discuss with them what they remember of Henry VIII and his life, talk about his wives and what happened to them.
Assessment:			
Autumn 2	Elizabethan	Famous Elizabethans Education in Elizabethan times Comparing Tudor and Elizabethan times Queen Elizabeth and marriage	BBC Bitesize has an excellent video clip to watch with your child about the Elizabethan time line. Discuss with your child how times had changed from the Tudor times.
Assessment:			
Spring 1	Stuarts	Introduction to the Stuart era <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Who? When? Where? What? Why? How? What makes a good ruler? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Comparing James I to a good ruler The Gunpowder Plot <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In depth study of Guy Fawkes and the true story of the plot Charles I Civil war <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Round heads and Cavaliers 	The Stuarts is a very interesting period to study. Your child will learn more about the Gunpowder Plot and why people went to the lengths Guy Fawkes and his group did to try and rid England of the King. The BBC has a very informative series of documentaries on the Stuarts, simply search "The Stuarts" and find the BBC link to previous episodes. Discuss with your child the story of the Gunpowder plot prior to our learning on it, this will refresh their memory of their previous learning.
Assessment:			

Spring 2	Empire and Revolution	<p>What is an Empire? Which countries were in the British Empire? How did the Empire take shape? Life in the Empire</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Comparing wealthy and poor <p>Decline of the Empire</p>	<p>Again BBC Bitesize has excellent resources for discussing the British Empire through time, the rise and the decline.</p>
Assessment:			
Summer 1	Victorians	<p>Introduction to the Victorians</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Who? When? Where? What? Why? How? <p>Queen Victoria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As a child - Her relationship with Prince Albert <p>News stories of the Victorian era Early inventions</p>	<p>Pupils previously have enjoyed learning about the different inventions of the Victorian era. Discuss with your child the origins of different objects we know and use today. Research when these objects were invented and who they were invented by. Discuss that lots of inventions were created during the Victorian times.</p>
Assessment:			
Summer 2	Industrial Revolution	<p>Introduction to the industrial revolution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Who? When? Where? What? Why? How? <p>Agriculture and the industrial revolution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How agriculture changed during the revolution <p>Industry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Textiles - Iron and coal production <p>Transport and communication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Roads and canals - Railways 	<p>Discuss with your child how the British landscape changed during the Industrial Revolution and why that happened. When you use a railway for transport, discuss how without this invention the British powerhouse would not have happened. Also talk about roadways and how your child thinks they have changed.</p>