



History

Intent

At Newcroft Primary Academy, History enables our children to become inquisitive learners about the past and to help them develop their knowledge and understanding of historical events. The teachers plan exciting and engaging History lessons throughout the year, centred around different topics/key historical events. Teachers take the topics from their year group plan (aligned with the National Curriculum and Whole School Plan) to ensure complete coverage without any repetition, but also building on prior knowledge. Knowledge organisers are used in classes to enable children to acquire key facts/knowledge and enabling them to develop independence and confidence with their learning. We aim to provide stimulating and exciting History opportunities to maximise pupil engagement and curiosity. This is achieved with 'History Days' (often with outside visitors/companies) where they dress up and get into character and bring the History alive. Teachers use questioning at all opportunities to develop curiosity and understanding of life in the past and the impact this had on Britain and the wider world. Teachers raise the profile of History in school by creating vibrant and stimulating displays around the topic they teach. This showcases their innovative teaching and children show great pride and care when creating their work to add to the display. The new 'Wonderwall' is a permanent timeline display to support History teaching and to stimulate discussion.



What?



Impact

Whole class teaching of history (minimum of 3 topics taught over the year).

Children are being taught key vocabulary, significant historical events in Britain and the wider world. As they progress through school, they gain a greater historical perspective by placing their growing knowledge into different contexts.

History workshops in school and visits.

Enables children to be curious about the past and brings the learning alive. They are much more engaged and gain a greater depth of knowledge.

Teachers plan weekly VRIC sessions including historical texts.

Deepen and consolidate knowledge around the topic. Also provides opportunities to experience other history topics that will be taught later.

Knowledge Organisers

Allows children to independently complete morning challenge work which also deepens and consolidates knowledge of dates, key facts and vocabulary.