

What does History look like at St Edward's?

Our History curriculum is on a 4 year rolling programme where our topics are influenced by the children and their heritage. In the first year we will study Britain and the settlers that have made it the country it is today. The second year we will focus on Europe and the exploration of Peace and Conflict. During the third year we will study Africa and its ancient civilisations. In the fourth year we will study Asia and the Americas, where we will look at the different dynasties that have left their mark.

During our study of each of these areas, we will not only find out what happened in the past but also about the continent today and how its history is mapped out in the modern communities.

Examples of learning at St Edward's

Throughout our learning, children of all ages develop their chronology skills. The children will be taught to develop their vocabulary and will be given opportunities to develop and secure their understanding of living memory and beyond living memory.

Children will be taught how to frame their enquiry questions, giving them ownership about what they learn as historians. Throughout each area of learning, children will be encouraged to make and discuss links which will aid their recall. They will explore and make choices about significant figures from the past and learn how to discuss the impact they may have had on the world today.

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Why is History important?

As well as developing children's knowledge and understanding of the past, we believe that it is important for children to understand how the past influences our lives today. Our learning is not only centred on the past as we use these events to discuss how our lives can be shaped in the future as a result of events taking place.

History also gives the children opportunities to practise and apply key skills in many other areas of the curriculum such as English, Computing and Maths.

What our pupils say...

"I like when we find out about local history like Wicksteed Park"

"The Tudors and Henry VIII were really interesting!"

"I love finding out about famous people, like Florence Nightingale"