

Thorpe School Long Term History Plan

Pupils learn about a range of fields of historical enquiry including social, political, economic and cultural history.

The Thorpe curriculum reflects the relationship between substantive knowledge (knowledge about the past) and disciplinary knowledge (knowledge about how historians investigate the past, and how they construct historical claims, arguments and accounts).

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
R	My family, My school	Christmas				How have we changed?
1		Compare aspects of life in different periods What mattered most to our two favourite queens, Queen Elizabeth 11 and Queen Victoria?	Changes within living memory How have toys changed since the 1960's?			Significant places in our local area What was life like in a medieval castle?
2		An event beyond living memory Who was responsible for the Great Fire of London?		Significant historical local person Why was Hilda Hewitt an important person?		Changes within living memory How has travel and transport changed over time?
3	Changes in life from the Stone Age to the Iron Age What was new in the Stone Age?	Changes in life from the Stone Age to the Iron Age Would you rather have lived in the Stone Age or the Iron Age?			Achievements of the earliest civilisations What can we learn from Egyptian remains?	
4	The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain What did the Romans do for us?	Britain's settlement by the Anglo-Saxons Was the Anglo-Saxon period really a dark age?			Non-European civilisation Why should we remember the Mayans?	
5	The Viking and the Anglo-Saxon struggle for England 789-1066 Vikings and Anglo-Saxons? Who won the battle for England?			A study of a theme in British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge past 1066 The changing power of the monarchy Who has the power? The royals or the people?		A study of an aspect of social history, the impact through time of the journeys of people to, from and within the British Isles Why do people go on journeys?
6	Ancient Greece-a study of Greek life and achievements and their influence on the western world How did the Ancient Greek civilisation influence the western world?		Study of an aspect of British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066 A significant turning point in British history Did World War I or World War II have the greatest impact on our society?			