## **Curriculum Skills Progression Map - History**

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Knowledge and Understandin g of Events, People and Changes in the Past	Can talk about events from their recent past-yesterday, last week etc.	Children can see how life must have been different in	Can retell some historical events from eras they have studied.  Describe a change within their living memory.  Can compare historical periods using the terms 'then' and 'now' and identify the changes within these different time periods.	Can name some significant individuals in the past, and their national/ international achievements.  Can describe changes that have occurred within eras studied and starting to consider why they are important.  Can draw simple conclusions and deduce information on the past from pictures and information.  Can point out some similarities and differences between aspects of my life Identify similarities and differences between ways of life in different periods of history	Can express an understanding of how life has changed across eras studied, considering reasons for changes.  Have knowledge and understanding of some of the main events, people and changes from the past.  Can point out some similarities and differences between aspects of life at different times in the past.	Make connections between the past and is able to state aspects of the past, from the periods studied, that are relatable to the present day  Can describe how life for different groups in Britain changed across the eras studied.  Have knowledge and understanding of some of the main events, people and changes from the past.	Know and understand significant aspects of the history of the wider world: the societies, cultures and religions of the past.  Can understand why some civilisations have been successful and why others have not.  Can describe changes within periods studied.	Pupils know and understand significant aspects of the history of the wider world  Can describe changes and continuity in the local area, and give reasons for these.  Can identify features and make links between past societies and periods.  Can draw on depth of factual knowledge and understanding of Britain and the wider world.  Can describe change within and between periods and societies I have learned about.
Topic specific vocabulary	Yesterday, today, last week	People and Communities Immediate family, explorer, old, new,	Toys from the Past diablo , whip and top, croquet, skipping rope, skittles, Jacob's ladder, marble, hopscotch, blow football Local Harrow History Transport, trains, train line, time periods,	Great Fire of London 17th Century , London , Pudding Lane , St Pauls Cathedral , River Thames , diary , Britain , capital city , bakery , Architect Lord Mayor , Sir Christopher Wren , monument , burning Leather, bucket, axe, Samuel Pepys, King Charles II, monument Florence Nightingale Significant Individuals Florence Nightingale, nurse, Crimean War, soldiers, hospital, Lady with the Lamp, medicine, hygiene,	Iron Age & Stone Age Neolithic, Palaeolithic, Mesolithic, chronology, tribal, hunter-gatherers, Stonehenge, Bronze Age, prehistory, Nomad, homosapiens, pelt, beaker, smelting Invaders and Settlers: Romans Centurion, emperor, aqueduct, gladiator, Londinium, Britannia, Romanisation, senate, Roman baths, Amphitheatre, chariot,	The Vikings Longship /longhouse Warrior Odin Edward the confessor Scandinavia Settlement Sweden Norway Danelaw Conquer Invader Raids Vicious Norse Tudor England Welsh/English, family, King Henry VII, Monarchs Henry VIII, Elizabeth I, Victorian England Tudor, Victorian, modern day, significant, monarchy, queen, king,	The Ancient Egyptians Ancient Egyptians, civilisation, pyramid, sphinx, Nile, flood, gods, fertile, agriculture, tomb, archaeologist, papyrus, scribe, hieroglyphics, Howard Carter, Tutankhamen Early Islamic Civilization Islamic Empire, Silk Road, trade, merchants, scholars, inventions, Mongols,	WW2 20th century, WW1, WW2, blitz, home front, make do and mend, evacuate, evacuees, morale, propaganda, Winston Churchill, Adolf Hitler, Allies, Nazi, air raid, gas mask, invade The Ancient Greeks Democracy Olympic games Philosopher Sparta Greece Spartans Athens Athenians Persia Alpha Beta Gamma Delta Alexander the Great

					Roman, baths, Roman roads, aqueduct, viaduct, amphitheatre, amphora, toga, villa, centurion, legion, Hadrian's wall, forum, fortifications, legacy Invaders and Settlers: Anglo Saxons Raid, settlers, resistance, invaders, long ships, Danegeld, Christianity,	kingdom, battles, plots, war, court, mills/factories, railways, inventions, industrial revolution		Empire Achievement Discrimination Windrush generation, migrate, immigrant, immigration, slavery, prejudice, discrimination, colonies, slave trade,
Chronological Understandin g	I am starting to use words and phrases like 'old, 'new' before, then, now.	Can begin to use language associated with the passage of time; talk about past and present events in their own lives  Place stages of their own life on a timeline and talk about the changes  Explain changes in themselves from birth to current age and say how I know using pictures and objects and sequencing these.	Pupils can develop an awareness of the past using common words and phrases relating to the passing of time  Pupils can explain where the people and events they study fit within a chronological framework  Can use the terms BCE and CE correctly when using a timeline.  Uses simple timelines to sequence processes, events and objects	Can use words and phrases like: 'before', 'after', 'past', 'present', 'then' and 'now' consistently when describing events, people in the past.  Can order and sequence familiar objects and events on a timeline  To describe where the people and events studied fit within a chronological framework and identify similarities between periods.  Use of time conventions in history	Can describe clearly events from the past using dates when things happened, showing chronological understanding of dates and events previously studied.  Can make connections, contrasts & trends over time  Can use a timeline within a specific period or era, to set out the order in which things happened, showing a secure understanding of connections and events.	Understand the complexity of people's lives, the processes of change and the diversity of societies as well as the challenges of their time  Place the events studied into a chronological framework and gain historical perspective  Use a variety of skills to connect, contrast and link to present time, showing a secure understanding of decades, years and centuries.	Draw a timeline with different historical periods, showing key historical events, or lives of significant people  Identify that some time periods overlap and can explain reasons for this.	Know and understand significant aspects of the history of the wider world: the nature of ancient civilisations; the expansion and dissolution of empires  Place features of historical events and people from past periods in a chronological framework  Use dates and specific terms confidently to establish period detail  Can successfully match simple iconic images to each of the periods studied
Vocabulary	old, 'new' before, then, now	old, new, before, then, now, today, now, tomorrow, yesterday, past, present,	Then, After, Before, Weeks, The present, Year, Decade, Century, The past, Long ago, The future, Day, Week, Month, Long ago, Ancient, Modern	Sequence, Chronological Order, Recent History, Earlier, Later, Decades, Centuries, before, after, past, present, then now	Chronological Order, Recent History, Timeline, Period, Millennium, Thousands of years, trend, duration	Time difference, Continuity, Change, decades, years and centuries, Timeline, Period, Millennium, Thousands of years	Cause, Consequence, Similarity, Legacy, sequence	Short- and long-term timescales, Difference and significance, Trends

Historical	Begin to talk about	Ask a question to	Finds answers to	Look carefully at pictures or	To show	Understand the	Realise that there is	Use documents,
Enquiry	past and present	find out about the	simple questions	objects to find information	understanding of some	difference between	often not a single	printed sources (e.g.
	events in their own	past	about the past from	about the past.	of the ways in which	primary and secondary	answer to historical	archive materials) the
	lives		sources of		we find out about the	sources of evidence.	questions and start	Internet, databases,
		Can talk about	information (eg.	Ask and answer questions,	past and identify		to develop a	pictures, photographs,
		events from their	pictures, stories)	choosing and using parts of	different ways in which	Use documents, printed	perspective and	music, artefacts,
		recent past-		stories and other sources to	it is represented.	sources, the internet,	judgement by	historic buildings, visits
		yesterday, last	To describe some	show that they know and		databases, pictures,	explaining how	to museums and
		week.	simple similarities	understand key features of	Use printed sources,	photos, music, artefacts,	historical facts are	galleries and visits to
			and differences	events	the internet, pictures,	historic buildings and	often interpreted to	sites to collect
		Can explain how	between artefacts.		photos, music,	visits to collect	support opinions.	evidence about the
		we know what we		To describe people and	artefacts, historic	information about the		past.
		were like when we	To sort artefacts	events in history - eg, The	buildings and visits to	past.	Ask and answer a	
		were younger, eg:	from then and now	Great Fire of London.	collect information		range of questions	Choose reliable
		photographs,			about the past.	Address and devise	about the past.	sources of evidence to
		video, parents or	To ask their own			historically valid		answer questions,
		grandparents	questions related to		Ask questions such as	questions prompted	Choose reliable	realising that there is
		telling stories.	different sources and		'how did people?	from the handing of	sources of evidence	often not a single
			objects.		What did people do for	artefacts	to answer questions.	answer to historical
					?'			questions and point
						Ask questions such as		out the limitations of
					Suggest sources of	'what was it like for a		others' arguments.
					evidence from a	during?'		
					selection provided to			Can ask perceptive
					use to help answer	Independently select		questions, think
					questions.	sources of evidence to		critically, weigh
						use to help answer		evidence, sift
						questions and start to		arguments, and
						explain the usefulness		develop perspective
						and reliability of		and judgement
						different sources.		
								Investigate their own
								lines of enquiry by
								posing questions to
								answer.

Historical Interpretation	To begin to different v represent (e.g. photo stories, ad talking abo past)	ways to different ways to the past os, lults Explain the		To compare accounts of events from different sources.  Fact or fiction offer some reasons for different versions of events  Make simple deductions and inferences based on different sources.	To link sources and work out how conclusions were arrived at consider ways of checking the accuracy of interpretations  Starting to identify different sources and evaluate their effectiveness and historical knowledge	Draw conclusions to the cause and effect of events in this time period  Identify different sources and evaluate their effectiveness and historical knowledge	Consistently identify different sources and evaluate their effectiveness and historical knowledge  To understand historical concepts such as continuity and change, cause and consequence, similarity, difference and significance, and use them to make connections, draw contrasts, analyse trends, frame historically-valid questions and create their own structured accounts, including written narratives and analyses
Cause and effect	Can explai one charaction simple sto the action she did (the bean urse but children be able to valid reason they took action they while discontinuous myself.	reason why a real person acted as they did in a historical situation.  Can give simple consequences of someone's actions.	Can make some comments about why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result.  Can give clear explanation offering two or three reasons as to why events took place, perhaps including indirect reasons  To able to give a few consequences of events and people's actions	Can suggest reasons for, and results of, people's actions and events.  Analyse actions of people in historical settings, focusing only on what one person wanted.  Pupils can gain historical perspective and understand connections between local, regional and international history  Identify concepts such as cause & consequence and make some	Pupils begin to identify concepts such as cause & consequence and make some connections  Moves away from simply listing to give little detail about each cause.  Realise that events usually happen for a combination of reasons.  Will attempt to explain and not just describe.	Beginning to understand and discuss the impact of past events on the present.  Draw conclusions to the cause and effect of events in this time period  Explains an event using simple form of classification, eg. to do with money or religion, long term and short term effects.  Sees that causes may be connected in some ways	Be able to comment on the cause and effect of an event in history and how this has impacted the society and culture around us today.  Can give detailed reasons to explain causes and consequences in historical events.  Starts to express explanation in terms of relative importance backed up a reasoned argument, eg. the main reason was, also important, some people think.  Are able to explain

Organisation	Use of simple	Can talk about	Can label and	Label and annotate	connections  Can show	Begins to sustain and	Answers are	some quite complex events using a good range of causes with some of them linked in a simple way. When appropriate sees
and Communicatio n	vocabulary such as then, now, before	pictures of themselves using appropriate vocabulary  Can draw and label simple drawings of artefacts	annotate simple drawings of artefacts  Can retell and describe the main episodes of a famous past event	pictures/artefacts showing awareness of significant features not seen today  Make increasing use of period specific vocabulary  Retell a complicated story in a simple structured way	understanding through oral answers and simple recording devices such as speech bubbles/annotatio ns.  Answers contain simple period specific references.  Can express their thoughts and views to explain rather than describe historical events using phrases such as another reason was, also, which connect various ideas consistently  Can simply and accurately sequence what happened in events from the past.	answer providing some supporting evidence.  Can use appropriate ways of communicating their historical understanding.	structured and provide supporting evidence for statements made.  Able to see two sides of a question and can offer arguments on both sides.  Wide spread use of period specific detail to make the work more convincing and authentic.	the need to refer to dates and to see the importance of lengths of time.  Understand the dangers of overgeneralising  Present their findings, in detail, using factual evidence (from a range of resources) and their opinions.  Able to make subtle distinctions within a period being studied.  Pupils being able to use provisional and tentative language to express uncertainty, eg. perhaps, may, might, some people think.
Vocabulary			Curiosity, Detective, Investigate, Ask, Object, Artefacts, Books, Pictures, Photographs, Surroundings, Local, Homes, houses and buildings, Explain, Used for, Timeline, Date Order, Similar, Different, Because, Important	Question, Artefact, Newspapers, Websites, Historians, Primary /Secondary Evidence, Information, Like or dislike, Significant, Tally chart, Changes, Observe, Non- fiction books, Maps, Internet, Research, Buildings, Places, Historical event	Questions, Opinion, Experts, Compare, Initiate, Theme, Place, Investigate, Locality, Eyewitness account, Similarities and differences, use judgement, First- hand evidence, Second-hand evidence	Source, Collect, Record, Analyse, Compare, Developments, Impact on life, Argument, Interpretations, primary and secondary sources	Primary source, Secondary source, Suggest, Compare, Collect, Record, Analyse, Historical maps, Different scales, Contrast, Analyse trends, Influence, Identify, Hypothesis, Sift arguments, Sources, Infer, Reliable	Research, Primary source, Secondary source, Evaluate, Collect, Record, Analyse Conclusions, Advancements, Cause and effect, Structured Accounts, Omissions, Impression, Biased, Motive, Propaganda