History Wittington Primary School Curriculum								
Area	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Chronological Understanding:	Can they talk about past and present events in their life, including special moments? Can they talk about the differences between them now and them as a baby? Challenge: •Can they use the language of time, such as yesterday, before, next week?	Chronological Understanding: •Can they put up to three objects in chronological order (recent history)? •Can they use words and phrases like: old, new and a long time ago? •Can they tell me about things that happened when they were little? •Can they recognise that a story that is read to them may have happened a long time ago? •Do they know that some objects belonged to the past? •Can they retell a familiar story set in the past? •Can they explain how they have changed since they were born? Challenge:	Year 2: Chronological Understanding: • Can they use words and phrases like: before I was born, when I was younger? • Can they use phrases and words like: 'before', 'after', 'past', 'present', 'then' and 'now'; in their historical learning? • Can they use the words 'past' and 'present' accurately? • Can they use a range of appropriate words and phrases to describe the past? • Can they sequence a set of events in chronological order and give reasons for their order? • Can they • Can they	Year 3: Chronological understanding • Can they describe events and periods using the words: BC, AD and decade? • Can they describe events from the past using dates when things happened? • Can they describe events and periods using the words: ancient and century? • Can they use a timeline within a specific time in history to set out the order things may have happened? • Can they use their mathematical knowledge to work out how long ago events would have happened?	Chronological understanding •Can they plot recent history on a timeline using centuries? •Can they place periods of history on a timeline showing periods of time? •Can they use their mathematical skills to round up time differences into centuries and decades? Challenges: •Can they use their mathematical skills to help them work out the time differences between certain major events in history? •Can they begin to build up a picture of what main events happened in Britain/ the world during different centuries?	Chronological Understanding •Can they use dates and historical language in their work? •Can they draw a timeline with different time periods outlined which show different information, such as, periods of history, when famous people lived, etc.? •Can they use their mathematical skills to work out exact time scales and differences as need be? Challenge; •Can they create timelines which outline the development of specific features, such as medicine; weaponry; transport, etc.	Chronological Understanding •Can they say where a period of history fits on a timeline? •Can they place a specific event on a timeline by decade? •Can they place features of historical events and people from past societies and periods in a chronological framework? Challenge: •Do they appreciate that some ancient civilizations showed greater advancements than people who lived centuries after them?	

		 Can they put up to five objects/events in chronological order (recent history)? Can they use words and phrases like: very old, when mummy and daddy were little? Can they use the words before and after correctly? Can they say why they think a story was set in the past? 	objects in chronological order and give reasons for their order? •Can they sequence events about their own life? •Can they sequence events about the life of a famous person? •Can they try to work out how long ago an event happened?	 Can they set out on a timeline, within a given period, what special events took place? Can they begin to recognise and quantify the different time periods that exists between different groups that invaded Britain? 			
Knowledge and	Can they talk	Knowledge and	Knowledge and	Knowledge and	Knowledge and	Knowledge and	Knowledge and
interpretation:	about how they	interpretation:	Interpretation:	interpretation	interpretation	interpretation	interpretation
	celebrate special	Do they appreciate	•Can they recount	•Do they	 Can they explain 	•Can they describe	•Can they
	moments in their life	that some famous	the life of someone	appreciate that the	how events from	historical events	summarise the
	(e.g. Christmas,	people have	famous from Britain	early Brits would not	the past have	from the different	main events from a
	bonfire night,	helped our lives be	who lived in the	have	helped shape our	period/s they are	specific period in
	birthdays etc)?	better today?	past giving	communicated as	lives?	studying/have	history, explaining
		•Do they recognise	attention to what	we do or have	•Do they	studied?	the order in which
	Can they explore	that we celebrate	they did earlier and	eaten as we do?	appreciate that	•Can they make	key events
	objects from the	certain events,	what they did	•Can they begin to	wars have	comparisons	happened?
	past and use them	such as bonfire	later?	picture what life	happened from a	between historical	•Can they
	in their play?	night, because of	•Can they explain	would have been	very long time ago	periods; explaining	summarise how
	Challenge:	what happened	how their local	like for the early settlers?	and are often	things that have	Britain has had a
	Challenge: Can they recognise	many years ago?Do they	area was different in the past?	•Can they	associated with invasion,	changed and things which have	major influence on world history?
	why we celebrate	•Do mey understand that we	•Can they recount	recognise that	conquering or	stayed the same?	•Can they
	special events	have a queen who	some interesting	Britain has been	religious	•Can they explain	summarise what
	because of what	rules us and that	facts from an	invaded by several	differences?	the role that Britain	Britain may have
	happened a long	Britain has had a	historical event,	different groups	•Do they know that	has had in	learnt from other
	time ago?	king or queen for	such as where the	over time?	people who lived in	spreading Christian	countries and
		many years?	'Fire of London'	•Do they realise	the past cooked	values across the	civilizations through
		•Can they begin to	started?	that invaders in the	and travelled	world?	time gone by and
		identify the main	•Can they give	past would have	differently and	•Can they begin to	more recently?
		differences	examples of things	fought fiercely,	used different	appreciate that	, ·

between old and	that are different in	using hand to hand	weapons from	how we make	•Can they describe
new objects?	their life from that	combat?	ours?	decisions has been	features of
•Can they identify	of their	•Can they suggest	• Do they recognise	through a	historical events
objects from the	grandparents when	why certain events	that the lives of	Parliament for some	and people from
past, such as vinyl	they were young?	happened as they	wealthy people	time?	past societies and
records?	•Can they explain	did in history?	were very different	• Do they	periods they have
Challenge:	why Britain has a	•Can they suggest	from those of poor	appreciate that	studied?
Can they explain	special history by	why certain people	people?	significant events in	•Can they
why certain objects	naming some	acted as they did	• Do they	history have helped	recognise and
were different in the	famous events and	in history?	appreciate how	shape the country	describe
past, e.g. iron,	some famous	Challenge:	items found	we have today?	differences and
music systems,	people?	•Can they begin to	belonging to the	• Do they have a	similarities/
televisions?	•Can they explain	appreciate why	past are helping us	good	changes and
•Can they tell us	what is meant by a	Britain would have	to build up an	understanding as	continuity between
about an important	parliament?	been an important	accurate picture of	to how crime and	different
historical event that	Challenge;	country to have	how people lived in	punishment has	Challenge:
happened in the	•Can they give	invaded and	the past?	changed over the	•Can they suggest
past?	examples of things	conquered?	Challenge:	years?	relationships
•Can they explain	that are different in	•Can they	• Can they	Challenge:	between causes in
differences	their life from that of	appreciate that	recognise that	• Do they	history?
between past and present in their life and that of other children from a different time in history? • Do they know who will succeed the queen and how the succession works?	a long time ago in a specific period of history such as the Victorian times? • Can they explain why someone in the past acted in the way they did? • Can they explain why their locality (as wide as it needs to be) is associated with a special historical event? • Can they explain what is meant by a democracy and why it is a good thing?	war/s would inevitably have brought much distress and bloodshed? • Do they have an appreciation that wars start for specific reasons and can last for a very long time? • Do they appreciate that invaders were often away from their homes for very long periods and would have been 'homesick'?	people's way of life in the past was dictated by the work they did? • Do they appreciate that the food people ate was different because of the availability of different sources of food? • Do they appreciate that weapons will have changed by the developments and inventions that would have	appreciate how plagues and other major events have created huge differences to the way medicines and health care was developed?	

					occurred within a		
					given time period?		
					•Do they		
					appreciate that		
					wealthy people		
					would have had a		
					very different way		
					of living which		
					would have		
					impacted upon		
					their health and		
					education.		
Historical Enquiry:	Can they explore	Historical Enquiry:	Historical Enquiry:	Historical enquiry	Historical enquiry	Historical enquiry	
	and talk about old	 Can they ask and 	 Can they find out 	 Do they recognise 	 Can they research 	 Can they test out 	Historical enquiry
	and new objects?	answer questions	something about	the part that	two versions of an	a hypothesis in	 Can they look at
		about old and new	the past by talking	archaeologists	event and say how	order to answer a	two different
	Can they explain	objects?	to an older person?	have had in	they differ?	question?	versions and say
	what they think old	•Can they spot old	 Can they answer 	helping us	 Can they research 	 Do they 	how the author
	objects might be	and new things in a	questions by using	understand more	what it was like for	appreciate how	may be attempting
	and what it might	picture?	a specific source,	about what	a child in a given	historical artefacts	to persuade or give
	be used for?	•Can they answer	such as an	happened in the	period from the	have helped us	a specific
		questions using an	information book?	past?	past and use	understand more	viewpoint?
	Challenge:	artefact/	•Can they research	 Can they use 	photographs and	about British lives in	 Can they identify
	Can they sort old	photograph	the life of a famous	various sources of	illustrations to	the present and	and explain their
	and new things?	provided?	Briton from the past	evidence to	present their	past?	understanding of
		•Can they give a	using different	answer questions?	findings?	Challenge:	propaganda?
		plausible	resources to help	 Can they use 	 Can they give 	 Can they research 	•Can they describe
		explanation about	them?	various sources to	more than one	the life of one	a key event from
		what an object	•Can they research	piece together	reason to support	person who has	Britain's past using
		was used for in the	about a famous	information about	an historical	had an influence	a range of
		past?	event that happens	a period in history?	argument?	on the way Great	evidence from
		Challenge:	in Britain and why it	•Can they research	•Can they	Britain is divided	different sources?
		•Can they answer	has been	a specific event	communicate	into four separate	Challenge:
		questions using a	happening for	from the past?	knowledge and	countries?	•Can they suggest
		range of artefacts/	some time?	•Can they use their	understanding		why there may be
		photographs	•Can they research	'information	orally and in writing		different
		provided?	the life of someone	finding' skills in	and offer points of		interpretations of
		•Can they find out	who used to live in	writing to help	view based upon		events?
		more about a	their area using the	them write about	what they have		•Can they suggest
		famous person from	Internet and other		found out?		why certain events,

	the past and carry out some research on him or her?	sources to find out about them? Challenge: • Can they say at least two ways they can find out about the past, for example using books and the internet? • Can they explain why eye-witness accounts may vary? • Can they research about a famous event that happens somewhere else in the world and why it has been happening for some time?	historical information? •Can they, through research, identify similarities and differences between given periods in history? Challenge: •Can they begin to use more than one source of information to bring together a conclusion about an historical event? •Can they use specific search engines on the Internet to help them find information more rapidly?	Challenge: • Can they independently, or as part of a group, present an aspect they have researched about a given period of history using multi- media skills when doing so?		people and changes might be seen as more significant than others? • Can they pose and answer their own historical questions?
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