



History

Intent:

The intent of the History curriculum at St Andrews CE Primary School is to develop an interest in the past, arousing a curiosity within the child and motivation to learn. We aim to captivate children by discussing local history and that of further afar. We aim to equip children with historical skills to develop their own knowledge through studying historical events, places and key people. At St Andrew's we want to reward children with a sense of identity through learning about the past. We believe that history should be an investigative subject where the child is at the centre of the learning, asking questions such as how and why. Through our teaching we aim to allow children the opportunity to develop and use their skill in enquiry, analysis, evaluation and argument.

Implementation:

In order to hook children with an historical enthusiasm, at St Andrew's, we begin to implement History as a subject throughout our EYFS. We allow children to gain a historical understanding by discussing and observing key events, in both their own lives and in the world. We also aim to instil a historical vocabulary that will support the child throughout their further learning. Finally, we look to allow the child ownership of their learning from a young age, enabling the child to research and recall historical events that are important to them.

Within Key Stage One, teachers are given the freedom to follow the National Curriculum with support from resources such as Hamilton Trust in order to plan well-structured lessons that follow the children's interests. This is to ensure that children are given enjoyable opportunities within their learning of history.

During Key Stage Two, we have been rewarded the freedom to plan topic based history lessons around what we believe will indulge and engage the child the most. Finding historical topics that both the teaching staff and children are invested in, ensures enthusiastic lessons where learning more and remembering more is optimised.

Impact:

The impact and measure of this is to ensure children not only acquire the appropriate age related knowledge linked to the history curriculum, but also to inspire them to be historically curious in their daily lives.

Children will be taught engaging historical lessons that are tailored and designed to benefit the child. Children will be rewarded with the opportunity in a variety of ways; allowing the

child to explore, navigate and understand the world around them and prior to their existence. As children continue their journey through education, at St Andrews we aim to have developed an inquisitive mind within our young historians benefitting them both at Primary School and in further education.

At St Andrew's CE Primary School, we are committed to creating life-long learners who will be equipped with the knowledge, skills and drive to contribute positively to an ever-changing world.