## Rationale for KS1 and KS2 History

Year Group	Autumn	Spring	Summer
	What is History?	How can I find out about our local History?	How did London change as a result of the Great Fire of London?
1	This unit aims to foster an understanding of the passage of time, encourage curiosity about the past, and develop essential historical thinking skills.	Recognizing that children at this age are deeply connected to their immediate environment, this unit aims to spark curiosity about the past, foster a sense of belonging, and lay the foundation for future historical understanding.	This unit has been crafted to introduce young learners to a significant historical event, The Great Fire of London which is a captivating and accessible entry point for exploring the past.
	How did hospitals change as a result of Florence Nightingale and Mary	How has flight changed the world?	How have these heroes shaped the world today?
2	Recognizing the Year 2 students' expanding understanding of the world, this unit aims to foster empathy, explore themes of courage and compassion, and provide a foundation for understanding the impact of individuals on historical events.	Recognizing the Year 2 students' emerging curiosity and expanding understanding of technology, this unit aims to spark interest in the evolution of flight, cultivate a sense of wonder, and provide a foundation for understanding technological advancements.	Recognizing the Year 2 students' developing sense of justice and fairness, this unit aims to foster an understanding of bravery, equality, and the impact individuals can have on shaping a more just society.
	How do we know about the Stone Age and how did Britain change?	What changed in Britain in the Bronze Age and Iron Age?	What were the similarities and differences between Ancient Equpt and Britain?
3	Teaching about how we know about the Stone Age and the changes in Britain during that period is essential to developing historical inquiry skills and fostering an understanding of archaeological methods, allowing students to explore the transformation of early	Teaching the changes in Britain during the Bronze Age and the Iron Age is essential to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the successive technological, economic, and social advancements that shaped prehistoric communities, fostering	Teaching the similarities and differences between Ancient Egypt and Britain is essential for fostering cross-cultural understanding, encouraging comparative analysis, and promoting a nuanced

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	human societies and their impact on the British landscape.	critical thinking about the evolution of human societies.	appreciation of diverse historical developments that contributed to the unique trajectories of these civilizations.
	What impact did Ancient Greece have upon the Western World?	How did Roman invasion and their inventions change Britain?	How did the conflict between Anglo Saxons and Scots change Britain?
4	Teaching the impact of the Greek Empire on the Western world is essential to comprehend the origins of democracy, explore foundational philosophical ideas, and appreciate the enduring cultural and intellectual contributions that have shaped Western civilization	Studying the impact of Roman inventions and invasions on Britain is crucial to understanding how technological advancements, infrastructure development, and cultural influences significantly shaped the historical and societal trajectory of the region.	Teaching about the Anglo-Saxons and Scots is essential for comprehending the foundational elements of British identity, including language, governance, and cultural practices, and exploring how their historical contributions have shaped the trajectory of British life.