



HISTORY AT Magdalen Gates



BIG IDEAS

We follow the National Curriculum and focus on developing Historical Enquiry and Chronological Understanding. Teaching subject specific vocabulary is very important to us at Magdalen Gates. Therefore Historical Vocabulary is introduced discreetly at the beginning of each History theme.



CONTENT & SEQUENCING

Our History Curriculum is categorised under three different lines of enquiry: Historical periods, Historical themes and Local History...

Historical periods; EYFS prehistoric, Yr3 Ancient Egypt and The Stone and Iron Age, Yr4 Greeks and Romans, Yr5 Mayans and Anglo-Saxons and Yr6 WW2 and Vikings.

Historical themes; Yr1 Toys, Famous people and events, Yr2 Apollo 11, Edith Cavell and The Great Fire of London, Yr5 Crime and Punishment.

Local History; Yr1 How has my local area changed, Yr2 Edith Cavell, Yr3 Robert Kett, Yr4 local history, Yr5 Crime and Punishment and Yr6 Norfolk Strangers.

A Magdalen Gates historian will recall important historical periods, and understand significant historical themes and events. They will make connections between local and regional, national and international history. They will develop skills through historical enquiry, research and analysing historical evidence.



STRONG LINKS WITH ENGLISH

- Texts linked with our bespoke comprehension lessons - Destination Reader (DR).
- Writing outcome in each unit.
- Key vocabulary learnt in each unit.



RETRIEVAL PRACTICE

- Key knowledge revisited in big picture sessions in DR.
- Knowledge organiser quiz at end of unit.
- Pre-assessment at beginning of unit.



PROGRESS

- Units of work are carefully sequenced so prior knowledge & concepts are built upon from previous year groups and units. We track progress through our Magdalen Gates Skills and Progression Grids.
- We assess the children's progress at the end of each historical theme using our Knowledge Organisers.



ENRICHMENT

- EYFS and Yr5 city wall visit.
- Yr1 Toys workshop, Yr2 space workshop and Edith Cavell workshop.
- Yr3 Stranger hall visit.
- Yr6 Castle visit and Sainsbury's centre.