

Live Life, Love Learning, Guided by God



St Mary's C of E Primary School

History Intent

And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom. Luke 2:40

At St Mary's C of E Primary School, we aim to provide a high quality history curriculum, which will inspire a curiosity to learn about the past, and to learn from the past. We want our pupils to be inspired by the history of the world in which we live in and develop a sense of fascination about Britain's past and that of the wider world for our pupils.

The National Curriculum is used to underpin our school's History Curriculum. The development of knowledge and process knowledge (skills) we expect is set out in our progression document. By engaging with and learning History, our pupils will develop their ability to think critically, evaluate evidence, and ask questions – all essential to being an excellent Historian. Pupils learn about different civilizations and cultures throughout time, and across the globe, and develop their knowledge and understanding of significant people and events in British History. Through studying History, pupils will develop their understanding of the diversity of the world, and the impact of key decisions taken by historical figures.

Our curriculum develops pupils' understanding about different methods of historical enquiry, including different types of source, and supports them in being able to ask and answer questions with increasing complexity, ensuring that there is a focus on the development of appropriate vocabulary to express their knowledge and opinions. We want pupils to enjoy learning about history by gaining knowledge and skills through not only their experiences in the classroom, but also with the use of visitors and educational visits. We make use of the local area, such as Hampton Court Palace.