History Curriculum Overview

Year	Historical Period	Prior Learning	Historical 'Now Knowledge': Key Questions	Vocabulary	Historical 'Hereafter Knowledge': Concepts	Enrichment and Engagement activities
1	The Great Fire of London (1666)		 Where and when did the Great fire of London take place? Why did the fire spread so quickly? How did the people try to put out the fire? Who was Samuel Pepys and what can we learn from him? How did the fire change how buildings were built in London? 	history historian chronological order year timeline long ago past significant event beyond living memory primary source secondary source	CauseSignificance	
1	Mary Anning (1799-1847)		 Who was Mary Anning and when and where did she live? What key events happened in the early life of Mary Anning? What did Mary Anning discover? What is Mary Anning's legacy? 	century coast dinosaur discovery extinct existed fossil influential Jurassic coast palaeontology prehistorical reptile skeleton scientist	 Using historical sources and evidence Observing and describing Sequencing Asking and answering questions Summarising 	Educational Visit: Bristol Museum & paleontologist workshop WOW DAY – Dinosaur Discoveries
1	Victorian Seaside Holidays (Victorian Era 1837-1901)		 Who were the Victorians and where did they go on holiday? What did Victorians do on holiday compared to today? Did Victorians travel on holiday in the same way we do? Was Victorian holiday clothing the same as today? How have seaside holidays changed over time? 	timeline then/Now Victorian seaside holidays food entertainment past	 Evidence Interpretations Cause Change Similarity/ difference Significance 	WOW DAY- Victorian seaside holiday

2	The Wright Brothers and powered flight (First Flight 1903)		 Who were the Wright brothers and when did they live? What and how did the Wright brothers invent? Where the Wright Brothers successful? What other powered planes were invented after the Wright brothers? 	long ago transport/travel steam train bathing machine timeline sequence inventors primary sources secondary sources gliders aircrafts flyers Atlantic Ocean	 Evidence Interpretations Cause Change Similarity/ difference Significance 	
2	Florence Nightingale (1820-1910)	Famous historical women (Mary Anning Y1) Historical figures (Wright Brothers)	 Who was Florence Nightingale and when did she live? What job did Florence Nightingale do? How did Florence Nightingale improve the lives of soldier in the Crimea? What improvements did Florence Nightingale introduce to Scutari? 	Florence Nightingale female/woman nurse chronological Crimea/Crimean War Turkey Scutari hospital patients chamber pots soldiers timeline	 Evidence Interpretations Cause Change Similarity/ difference Significance 	
2	Industrialisation and Brunel (1806-1859)		 Who was Brunel and when did he live? What problems did Brunel face when working on the Thames Tunnel? What problems did Brunel face when designing the Great Western Railway? Why was the SS Great Britain so important? Why is the Clifton Suspension Bridge so important? 	inventor engineer transport travel Victorian Era SS Great Britain Great Western Railway Thames Tunnel bridges Clifton Suspension Bridge	 Evidence Interpretations Cause Change Similarity/ difference Significance 	Educational Visit: SS Great Britain

3	Stone Age	New inventions (great inventors – Wright Brothers/Brunel) Dinosaurs (Y1)	 What does prehistory/prehistoric mean? How do we know about prehistoric life? What were the different periods of the Stone Age? What was life like in a Stone Age settlement? How did the Bronze Age change how people lived? Who were the Celts and why did they use iron? 	prehistory archaeologist artefacts Palaeolithic era Mesolithic era Neolithic era Homo sapiens bronze trade iron Celts	Similarity/ differenceCauseChange	Educational Visit: Cheddar Caves
3	Egyptians	Geography skills (Rivers – Y3)	 Why was the River Nile so important to Ancient Egyptians? What was the structure of Ancient Egyptian society? What was life like for Ancient Egyptians? What did Ancient Egyptians believe about life after death? How were the pyramids built? How do we know so much about Tutankhamun? 	afterlife pyramid River Nile pharaoh mummification King Tutankhamun papyrus sphinx sarcophagus excavations linen hieroglyph	 Evidence Interpretations Cause Change Similarity/ difference Significance 	WOW DAY – Egyptologist visitor
3	Ancient Greece		 How was Ancient Greece organised? What was the Golden Age in Greece? What did the Greeks believe? Who were the Ancient Greek philosophers? Who won the Peloponnesian war? Why was Alexander so great? 	Helles/ Hellenes Polis BCE Golden age Socrates Pythagoras Plato Aristotle Alexander the Great Agora	EvidenceInterpretationsSignificance	
4	Romans		 How did Roman society change? How did the Roman Empire become so powerful? How did the Romans conquer Britain? Why did Boudicca lead a rebellion against the Romans? 	culture Empire emperor Republic citizens	EvidenceCauseChangeSignificance	

4	and Scots	Celts (Y3) Empires and Invasions (Romans Y4)	 How did the Romans change Britain? What did the Romans believe? Why did the Romans leave Britain? How do we know about the Anglo Saxons? Why did Vortigern make a deal with the Anglo Saxons? What was life like for the Anglo Saxons? What did the Anglo Saxons believe? What was the heptarchy? How did Alfred the Great protect the Anglo Saxons? 	Latin General conquer tribes Client Kings rebellion legion Pagan polytheistic pantheon Anglo Saxons invaders tribes Jutes Picts Scots barbarians Cerols Pagans Heptarchy Kingdom Bretwalda Burhs	 Evidence Similarity/ difference Significance 	
4	_	Empires and Invasions (Romans , Anglo Saxons Y4)	 Why did the Vikings invade Britain? What happened at Lindisfarne in 793? Why did Alfred sign a treaty with Gurthum? Were the Vikings the first Europeans to discover the Americas? Who were the Norse Gods? Did King Cnut try to stop the tide from coming in? 	Vikings Danelaw raid Danegeld longship Pagan Monotheist Polytheist saga Valhalla Asgard	EvidenceInterpretationsSignificance	WOW day – VikingVisitor
5		Empires and Invasions (Romans , Anglo Saxons, Vikings Y4)	 How did the Benin Kingdom begin? What was life like for the Edo people in the Benin Kingdom? 	Oba Ogisos empire guild	EvidenceInterpretationsCauseChange	

		Trade links (Industrialisation Y2)	 How were trade links established and what goods were traded? What led to the Civil war in the 1700s? What was the Transatlantic Slave Trade? What was Bristol's role in the slave trade? How did Britain invade Benin? 	merchant slave voyages Civil war colonies exported expedition	Similarity/ differenceSignificance	
5	Medieval and Tudor Monarchs	Succession Invasions (Vikings Y4) Trade links (Benin Kingdom)	 In 1066, who was the rightful heir to the throne? What happened at the Battle of Hastings? Who was responsible for the death of Thomas Becket? Who was the worse King: Richard or John? Why did Henry VIII initiate the Reformation? Was Elizabeth I 'weak and feeble'? 	monarch successor clergy heir Domesday book knights Feudal system nobles peasants crusades Magna carta baron reformation	 Evidence Interpretations Cause Change Similarity/ difference Significance 	
5	Industrial Revolution and the Victorians	Brunel (Y2) Victorian Holidays (Y1) Monarchs (Medieval monarch Y5)	 What were the key features of Victorian society? What were living conditions like during the Industrial Revolution? What were working conditions like during the Industrial Revolution? What inventions revolutionised the lives of British people? What impact did Brunel have on the Victorian Era? What was school life like for a child in the Victorian Era? 	industry population economy agriculture textiles mass production poverty sanitation child labour locomotive	CauseChangeSimilarity/ difference	WOW day – Victorian school day Trip to M- Shed Bristol
6	World War 2	Remembrance (Reception and Y1) Refugees (Y4 geography)	 Which events led to World War Two? How did Britain prepare for war and what was the phoney war? Was the evacuation of Dunkirk a victory or disaster? 	annexed Allies Axis Propaganda Blitzkrieg The RAF	CauseChangeSignificance	Educational Visit- WW2 evacuation experience VE day celebration

		 4. How did the Battle of Britain and the Blitz impact life in the United Kingdom? 5. How did the Allies prepare for D-Day? 6. How was D-Day implemented? 7. How did WW2 end and what was its legacy? 	Luftwaffe The Blitz liberating occupation rationing evacuation Nazi Party		Legacy project - Remembrance
6 Civil Rights and the Bristol Bus Boycott	Understanding of segregation and racial issues in America (Y5 – hidden figures) Slave trade in Bristol – including Colston.	 What are civil rights and why are they important? What was the United States of America like in the 1950s? Why did Oliver Brown take the Board of education to the Supreme Court? Why didn't Rosa Parks give up her seat on the bus? What was Dr Martin Luther King Jr's dream? What was the influence on the UK and what was the Bristol Bus Boycott? What is the Black Lives Matter Movement and why is it needed? 	diverse violate Civil Rights Civil disobedience capitalism communism doctrine segregation integration boycott emancipation proclamation hierarchy discrimination movement	 Evidence Interpretations Cause Change 	