Ursuline Catholic Primary School Progression of Skills: History



Children in reception

- Name and describe people who are familiar to them.
- Comment on images of familiar situations in the past.
- Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past. Talk
- about members of their immediate family and community.
- Learn new vocabulary.
- Use new vocabulary through the day.
- Use new vocabulary in different contexts.

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Jnderstanding Sequence 3 or 4 artefa from different periods time		Sequence artefacts closer together in time - check with reference book Sequence artefacts closer together in time - check with reference book Sequence artefacts closer together in time - check with reference book	Place the time studied on a time line Use dates and terms related to the study unit and passing of time Sequence several events or artefacts	Use terms related to the period and begin to date events Understand more complex terms e.g. BC/AD	Know and sequence key events of time studied Make comparisons between different times in the past Use relevant terms and period labels	Place current study on time line in relation to other studies Use relevant dates and terms	
	Use common words and phrases relating to the passing of time Match objects to people of different ages			Place the time studied on a time line		Sequence up to 10 events on a time line	
Historical Enquiry	Find answers to simple questions about the past from sources of information e.g. artefacts. Describe some simple similarities and differences between artefacts.	tion questions about the past on the basis of simple observations.	Begin to use the library and internet for research	Use evidence to build up a picture of a past event	Begin to identify primary and secondary sources	Recognise primary and secondary sources	
			observations.	Select and record information relevant to the study	Choose relevant material to present a picture of one aspect of life in time past	Use evidence to build up a picture of a past event	Construct informed responses that involve thoughtful selection and organisation of relevant
			Observe small details – artefacts, pictures	Ask a variety of questions	Select relevant sections of information and evaluate usefulness of sources	Address and sometimes	
			Use a range of sources to find out about a period	Use the library and internet for research	Use the library and internet for research with increasing confidence	devise historically valid questions about change, cause, similarity and difference, and significance	
						Use a range of sources to find out about an aspect of time past	
						Suggest omissions and the means of finding out	
						Bring knowledge gathered from several sources together in a fluent account	

Historical interpretation	Use stories to encourage children to distinguish between fact and fiction	Discuss reliability of photos/ accounts/stories	Identify and give reasons for different ways in which the past is represented	Look at the evidence available	Compare accounts of events from different sources – fact or fiction	Link sources and work out how conclusions were arrived at
	Compare adults talking about the past – how reliable are their memories?	Compare pictures or photographs of people or events in the past Compare 2 versions of a past event	Distinguish between different sources – compare different versions of the same story Distinguish between different sources – compare different versions of the same story	Begin to evaluate the usefulness of different sources and understand sources can contradict each other Use text books and historical knowledge	Offer some reasons for different versions of events	Consider ways of checking the accuracy of interpretations – fact or fiction and opinion Be aware that different evidence will lead to different conclusions Confidently use the library and internet for research
Understanding of people, events and changes.	Recognise the difference between past and present in their own and others lives. They know and recount episodes from stories about the past .	Recognise why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result Recognise why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result	Distinguish between different sources – compare different versions of the same story Compare with our life today Identify reasons for and results of people's actions Understand why people may have wanted to do something	Use evidence to reconstruct life in time studied Identify key features and events of time studied Look for links and effects in time studied Offer a reasonable explanation for some events	Study different aspects of different people - differences between men and women Examine causes and results of great events and the impact on people Compare life in early and late 'times' studied Compare an aspect of life with the same aspect in another period	Find out about beliefs, behaviour and characteristics of people, recognising that not everyone shares the same views and feelings Compare beliefs and behaviour with another time studied Note connections, contrasts and trends over time and show developing appropriate use of historical terms Write another explanation of a past event in terms of cause and effect using evidence to support and illustrate their explanation Know key dates, characters and events of time studied

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