

### What does the Learning Journey for History look like?

# If you were to walk into a History lesson at East Preston Infant School, you would see:

- ✓ Children being engaged in an enquiry-based curriculum where they are given clues/pieces of evidence to generate curiosity and where they are encouraged to ask questions to find out more
- ✓ A range of methods being used to engage children in history and help them to gather information, e.g., role play, research, discussion, problem solving, photos, video clips...
- ✓ Children using key vocabulary in whole class/group/paired discussions
- ✓ Opportunities such as experience days for children to be immersed in history, e.g., Victorian day
- ✓ Cross curricular links to other subjects such as English (reading, writing, speaking and listening), art (artist impressions of events/people), design technology (building models for historical topics), computing (research)
- ✓ In EYFS children are introduced to the theme of past and present, looking at their own life story, comparing familiar situations from the past and creating a simple timeline
- ✓ In Year 1 children continue to develop an awareness of the past, build up key vocabulary linked to the past and know how famous events/people fit into the chronology of history
- ✓ In Year 2 children understand that history can be divided into periods of time and that what happens in the past impacts what we do today

#### What happens if my child struggles and finds it hard?:

- Extra adult support in class to develop language and understanding
- ✓ Pre-teaching (sneaky peaks) into what is going to be taught
- ✓ Adapted activities

#### What if my child is showing secure understanding, how are they challenged?:

- ✓ Targeted questions to deepen the understanding of a historical theme
- ✓ Broadening and extending historical vocabulary

#### What learners at East Preston Infants say about History:

Reception - "I was a little baby then!"

Year 1 – "I think the teddy is old because it isn't very fluffy."

Year 2 – "The teachers were really strict! We had to do multiplication tables!"









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#### Successes in 2022-2023:

- New history curriculum completed and all year groups taught from the new curriculum this year
- Celebrated the school's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday with clues and activities
- Victorian day in Year 2

#### Focus for 2023-2024:

- Monitor the enquiry-based approach for the history curriculum
- Research enrichment opportunities to enhance the teaching and learning of history