

HISTORY CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Year 3	<u>The Copthorne Detectives</u> <i>(linked to map skills in geography)</i> ➤ Depth study into changes within the local area (village and surrounds) over time ➤ Study of how national changes affected the local area over time (such as transport, employment, population change etc...)	<u>Rock 'n' Roll Romans</u> <i>(linked to Escape from Pompeii + science topic on rocks + volcanoes in geography)</i> ➤ Julius Caesar's attempted invasion (55-54BC) ➤ Successful invasion by Claudius and conquest (including Hadrian's Wall) ➤ British resistance (including Boudicca) ➤ 'Romanisation' of Britain, looking at the impact of technology, culture and beliefs (including early Christianity)	<u>Walk like an Egyptian</u> ➤ Where and when Egyptian civilization appeared ➤ Achievements of the Egyptian civilization ➤ Study of life in ancient Egypt, including religion, trade, farming and the Nile ➤ Depth study into archaeology and the unearthing of the past from beneath the desert, including Tutankhamun and the tomb discovery by Howard Carter
Year 4	<u>Upstairs, downstairs</u> <i>(linked to 'Street Child')</i> ➤ Changing power of the monarchs – Queen Victoria ➤ Depth study on life in the Victorian home, the rich compared to the poor ➤ Changes in social history – Rights of children ➤ Significant turning point in British history – Industrial revolution, including the expansion of transport (local and global) with rail and steam power	<u>Explorers, Raiders and Traders</u> ➤ Roman withdrawal from Britain (AD 410) ➤ Anglo-Saxon invasions, settlements and kingdoms (including place names / village life) ➤ Anglo-Saxon art and culture ➤ Viking raids and invasion ➤ Resistance by Alfred the Great ➤ Anglo-Saxon laws and justice ➤ Edward the Confessor and his death in 1066	<u>Mysterious Mayans</u> <i>(linked to Geography / Science topics)</i> ➤ Study of a non-European society that provides a contrast with British history
Year 5	<u>Henry VIII – Hero or Villain?</u> <i>(linked to 'Bear Keeper')</i> ➤ Changing power of the monarchs – Henry VIII ➤ Depth study on the wives of Henry VIII, with special focus on his relationship (political and personal) with Catherine of Aragon ➤ Changes in social history (and legacy) – reasons for break from Catholic Rome / rise of Church of England	<u>Who Let the Gods Out?</u> ➤ Study of Greek life across the city states ➤ Significant achievements of the Ancient Greeks, including the rise of democracy, trade and sports (including the Olympics) ➤ Myths and legends of the Ancient Greeks, including the gods and significant stories (such as Icarus, the Minotaur etc...) ➤ Depth study into the Greek legacy and their influence on the western world that is still felt today	<u>Journey into the Unknown</u> <u>Space</u> <u>To Infinity and Beyond</u> <i>(linked to science)</i> <u>Around the world in 80 days</u> <i>(linked geography of Americas)</i>
Year 6	<u>We'll meet again</u> ➤ A significant turning point in British history, including Dunkirk, Battle of Britain and Normandy landings ➤ Understanding key events leading the 'road to war' ➤ Depth study into the reasons for and impact of the evacuation of children from the cities	<u>Exploring the Extreme</u> <i>(linked to geography and science)</i>	<u>Back to the Future</u> <u>Stone Age to the Iron Age</u> ➤ Neolithic hunter-gatherers and early farmers ➤ Bronze Age religion, technology and travel ➤ Iron Age Forts: tribal kingdoms, farming, art and culture <u>Legacy of the Ancient Civilisations</u> Depth study into the evolution of transport, from the ancient through to modern day, identifying significant technological events to bring changes