

Curriculum Intent

Our history curriculum aims to inspire curiosity about the past and help children develop a coherent understanding of Britain's history and that of the wider world. Through engaging and well-sequenced topics, we encourage pupils to ask questions, think critically, and consider different perspectives and interpretations. By exploring significant events, people, and places, children gain a sense of chronology and an appreciation of how history shapes our lives today.

Curriculum Implementation

At St. Luke's we bring history to life through a carefully planned and progressive curriculum that builds knowledge, skills, and understanding over time. We use a range of high-quality resources, hands-on experiences, and educational visits to deepen learning and engagement. Lessons are designed to encourage children to investigate the past, make connections across periods, and develop historical enquiry skills. We place a strong emphasis on regular recall and retrieval practice to help secure knowledge in long-term memory and support meaningful learning over time.

Curriculum Impact

The impact of our history curriculum at St. Luke's is evident in the enthusiasm and confidence with which children talk about the past. Pupils develop a secure understanding of key historical events, people, and periods, and can make thoughtful connections between them. Through regular recall and carefully structured learning, they retain key knowledge and use subject-specific vocabulary with increasing accuracy. Children leave St. Luke's with a strong sense of chronology, well-developed enquiry skills, and an appreciation of how history shapes the world around them, preparing them for continued success in their historical learning at secondary school.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Reception	Family and Family Trees		The Explorer Earnest Shackleton	Kings and Queens	Transport	
Year 1	Walter Tull	Remembrance Changes in Recent Memory		Parliament and Royalty	George Stephenson	
Year 2	Local History Victorian Life		Explorers	Great Fire of London		Space Race
Year 3	Stone Age to Iron Age	Ancient China	Anglo-Saxons		Ancient Greece	Ancient Greece
Year 4		Tudors Ancient Egyptians		Roman Empire	Vikings	
Year 5		Benin Kingdom	Enslaved Africans	Medieval Britain		Richard III
Year 6	British Empire Industrial Revolution		World War 1 and 2	Civil Rights		