History Overview

The aim of history at Ingleton Primary is to develop pupils with a deep curiosity and interest in the past. By providing the firm foundations of historical knowledge and the skills to think like a historian, we allow our pupils to explore a historical curriculum stretching from ancient Egypt to the Mayan civilization and from the Iron Age Hill fort of Ingleborough to the Victorian viaduct across the Dales.

Through explicit knowledge organisers and repeated engagement with particular core facts for each topic, we ensure children have the most important knowledge readily available at their fingertips. However, each history topic also includes a breadth of background knowledge with particular focus, where possible, on local history. This information provides both colour and context to pupil's historical understanding.

Throughout the pupils' history journey, they repeatedly encounter abstract concepts (religion, technological change, government, society and local history). Frequent engagement with chronology within and between history topics also gives pupils a secure mental timeline. This understanding of both chronology and abstract concepts allows pupils to knit together and deepen their substantive knowledge from particular topics.

Lessons are structured around enquiry questions to develop pupils' disciplinary knowledge. Through their learning journey pupils build up the skills of:

- Analysing cause and effect
- Analysing similarity and difference
- Using Chronology
- Interpreting sources

They also have many opportunities to present, organise and communicate their understanding.

By the time our pupils leave Ingleton Primary in year 6, they will have constructed a diversely, interwoven knowledge of the past and the critical skills of budding historians. These foundations not only generate a depth and breadth of historical understanding but a deep sense of wonder about where we came from and how things came to be.

The full set of topics covered are:

KS1

- The Gunpowder Plot
- Local History of Ingleton
- Toys
- Homes
- Explorers
- Travel and Transport
- Kings and Queens
- The Great Fire of London

KS2

Pre-historic: Stone Age-Iron Age

Shields and Ships: Romans, Saxons, VikingsWar and Peace: The Second World War

Age of Change: VictoriansBuried Treasure: Ancient Egypt

Amazing Americas: The Mayan Civilization