History at St. Andrew's: What does it look like?

In KS1 we learn about changes within living memory and how these reflect changes in national life, significant historical events, and significant historical events and places in our own locality. (Y1) We also find out about the lives of significant individuals and events beyond living memory(Y2	We work to keep the children aware of some of the National issues like Black History month (October) and Disability month (March) through class and Key Stage Assemblies.	In EYFS we talk about member of our immediate family and communities. We describe and name people who are familiar to the children and compare and contrast characters from stories including figures from the past.	We make extensive use of time lines both in the classrooms and in the hall as a whole-school display, which encourages children to begin to develop an understanding of chronology.
Years 5 and 6 look further afield and study some of the Ancient civilisations (Egypt and Greece) and how these civilisations affected us today. In contrast, we consider how Shropshire hanged the world in a study of Ironbridge.	In Lower Key Stage 2 we travel back in time a little and find out about the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age as well as the impact of the Roman Empire on Britain. (Y3) Y4 studies the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England and our settlement by The Anglo-Saxons and Scots.	Each teacher is registered with the Historical Association so they all have access to the most recent ideas and developments in teaching History.	The Shrewsbury History Museum comes in to school with their knowledge and artefacts, making History come alive and relevant for children. Some classes have enjoyed going on outings to Historical sites.
We also seek to celebrate a national Historical event as a whole school. We joined in the celebration of the ascension and crowning of King Charles III.			We seek to recognise and identify four key threads found in all the topics we cover in KS1 and KS2. These threads are: Monarchy, Church, Trade & Conflict.

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