

Year 5 History Curriculum



Autumn	Ancient Greeks
Year 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ancient Greece was a collection of city states called Polis. • Athens and Sparta were two powerful city states: • Athens was governed by an elected senate. • Sparta was ruled by a monarchy. • Democracy originated from ancient Greece. • Only boys from rich families went to school in Athens. • Our knowledge of the ancient Greeks originated from archaeology, myths and legends, and architecture. • The Athenians won the Battle of Marathon despite being outnumbered. • The modern Olympics originated during the Ancient Greeks
Spring	Anglo-Saxon Christianisation
Year 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To find out where the Anglo-Saxons came from • Understand why the Anglo- Saxons invaded Britain. • The Anglo Saxons divided Britain into seven kingdoms. • The most powerful of these kingdoms were Northumbria, Wessex and Mercia. • Understand the reason why King Alfred was so great. • Augustine, Aiden and Columba were key figures who helped the Anglo-Saxons find out about Christianity. • The Anglo-Saxons were made up of three tribes: the Angles; Saxons; and, Jutes. • Understand the mystery of the empty Saxon grave at Sutton Hoo. The suspected person to be buried there is King Raedwald.
Summer	Victorians
Year 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know that the Victorian Period was between 1837 - 1901 • To know that Queen Victoria was the Monarch during this time. • To understand that industrial revolution caused a migration to the cities. • To know that many inventions changed people's lives (such as the telephone) • To know that the railways were invented and had a huge impact on British life. • To know children worked in mines, mills and as chimney sweeps. • To know that Lord Shaftesbury improved the lives of children. • To know that school life was stricter and classrooms were larger than modern day.