Topic Special Newsletter





What we are focusing on...

We have created and developed a broad History and Geography curriculum which covers the essential requirements of the N.C. Our aim is to teach the children the crucial skills associated with each discipline to enable independence in their learning.

There is a clear thread running throughout your child's learning which helps them create connections and develop deeper understanding of the world around them.

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Year 3	Tribal Tales	I am Warrior!	Tremors
Year 4	Frozen Kingdom	Traders and Raiders	Pharaons
Year 5	Gods and Mortals	Hola Mexico!	Misty Mountains, Windy Rivers
Year 6	A Child's War	Off with Her Head!	Sow, Grow and Farm

" History doesn't repeat itself, but it does often rhyme..." Mark Twain.

Whilst we are teaching the children about History, we are making lots of connections to the world today. In Y3, children learn how the Roman empire was governed and can then compare this with the Anglo Saxons and Egyptians in Y4. By Y5 and Y6, the children are focusing on more modern History.

This thread that is sewn into our curriculum gives the children the opportunity to think critically about different stages of History.

We are committed to showing children a varied range of ideas from a diverse collection of sources. The children respond by noticing how the lives and roles of every day people have changed throughout history.



Y4 Vikings during a Topic Week raid!

Topic lessons teach me ..."about interesting things and every time I learn something new."





Topic Week!

Our termly Topic Weeks give every class an opportunity to immerse themselves in the period of history they have been exploring. Most recently, a band of Y4 Vikings raided a Y5 class for precious resources (glue sticks, plants and white board pens), Y5 had a Mexico themed afternoon and Y3 practiced their sword skills as gladiators.

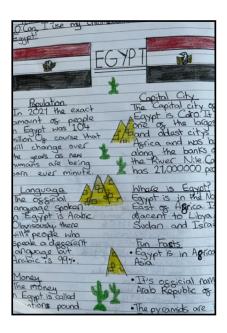
The effort that the children (and grown-ups) put into these days is amazing to see and helps to create special learning and memories!



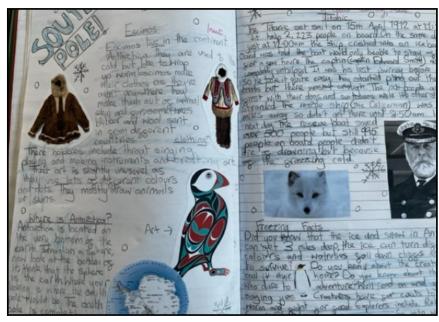








Some of our wonderful work!



We are *so* proud of the variety of ways in which our children learn about the world around them and significant periods of History. Children have showcased their writing through extended writing, beautiful pieces of period appropriate art and DT.

The children have all had the opportunity to interact with people in character, handling artefacts and really getting a unique and memorable learning experience.

We are hoping to continue building on the essential subject specific skills that the children learn at Stillness to ensure that they leave equipped with a critical eye, a broad and diverse understanding and an important grasp of chronology!

