

History Progression at St John's – KS2 Exemplar

Year Group	Year 3	Year 4	Local History Study - Can be post 1066		Year 5	Year 6			
Unit/Period Matters, Skills and Processes	Stone Age to Iron Age Britain	The Roman Empire and its Impact on Britain	Saxon and Scots Settlement	Viking and Anglo-Saxon Conflict	British Study that extends beyond 1066 - Aspect/theme/turning point	Earliest Civilisations Overview off ALL (Egypt, Sumer, Indus Valley, Shang China) and a depth study	Ancient Greece	Non-Euro contrast with Britain from Islamic	
Chronology Including duration/interval/overlap UK/World Timeline from the History Centre	Timeline comparison of the durations etc.	Examine expansion of empire via timeline and world map.	Anglo-Saxons The Ruin of Britain Pack Timeline/map work to see when/where from/why they left their homelands	Explore where/when Vikings came from/travelled to on world map and timeline	Add important local historical events/people to the timeline e.g. at their anniversaries	Explore/add relevant event dates on the timeline	Compare durations/explore overlaps via timeline. Compare locations via world map.	Explore duration and timing via timeline and locations via world map	Compare Britain c900 via timelines and locate on world map
Characteristic Features Of the period/society studied	Tools, technology, burials, shelters and settlements, art. Stone, Bronze and Iron Age Box and CD ✓✓✓	Roman Soldier Box The Romanisation of Britain ✓✓	Anglo-Saxon Life and Death Box Change from paganism to Christianity/Saxon culture ✓✓	Viking Life Box ✓✓		Earliest Civilisations Overview Enquiry Pack Compare civilisations - what is similar, what is different? ✓✓✓		Early Islamic Civilisation pack ✓✓✓	
Change and Continuity	Between periods e.g. tools, burials, technology, shelters and settlements. ✓✓✓	Roman Impact Pack Roman Life and Soldier Boxes Romanisation ✓✓✓	Changing Saxon kingdoms. Christian conversion from Paganism	Watery places Compare to SB&I ages	Explore important historical events that had an impact (changed something) in your locality ✓✓✓	Thematic: Changing Power of Monarchy pack Shift of power monarch/parliament ✓✓			
Causes and Consequences Including the short and long term		Roman Impact Pack Why the Romans came to Britain, plus impact - short term and long term	Anglo-Saxons The Ruin of Britain Pack Why came to Britain. Why/how converted to Christianity ✓✓✓	Viking: Raiders Traders Pack Why Vikings came to Britain, conflict with Saxons ✓✓		Thematic: Changing Power of Monarchy pack Shift of power monarch/parliament ✓✓		Quest for beneficial knowledge driven by Islamic beliefs ✓✓✓	
Significance Including the short and long term		Roman Impact Pack What is the most widespread and enduring impact of their legacy? ✓✓✓	Anglo-Saxons The Ruin of Britain Pack The Saxon legacy - language, learning, Christian centres etc. ✓	Alfred The Great Pack Survival/dominance of Wessex and Later Wessex Kings ✓✓	Explore important historical events/people that are remembered locally ✓✓	Overview Enquiry Pack Compare/contrast achievements of each civilisation ✓✓✓	Ancient Greek Box Greek Legacy Pack ✓✓✓	Islamic civilisation preserved classical learning ✓✓	
Interpretation Of the past including how and why contrasting views arose	Scarcity of evidence means gaps have to be filled by reasoned interpretation ✓✓✓		Alfred The Great Pack Does Alfred deserve his title? Was he great or just lucky? ✓	Viking: Raiders Traders Pack Just murderous thugs or some positives? ✓✓✓					
Historical Enquiry Including source comparison and analysis		Roman Soldier box Roman Excavation box Deducing information from objects. ✓✓✓	Anglo-Saxon Life and Death Box Explore Christian conversion and Saxon culture ✓✓		Examine how aspects of national history are reflected locally e.g. by monuments	Thematic: Changing Power of Monarchy pack Shift of power monarch/parliament ✓✓	Egyptian Achievements box to examine e.g. astronomy, maths, medicine ✓✓	Ancient Greek Box Features modern items that illustrate some Greek ideas are current today	
Connections local/national/international, cultural, economic, military, political, religious and social history	Refer back to period from later world studies that were Bronze age cultures	Examine the local impact e.g. Portchester, Winchester, Silchester etc. ✓✓	Saxon legacy - language, cultural identity and important Christian centres ✓✓	Evidence of Viking trading and settlement across the known world. Normans.	Explore how typical your town's/school's past is in national terms. ✓✓✓	Thematic changing power of monarchy pack Why we are a constitutional monarchy ✓✓✓	Compare to Britain in the Bronze age ✓✓	Many modern ideas and institutions stem from Ancient Greece. Contrast with Britain	Impact of Islamic civilisation's preservation and extension of classical learning
<p>NB: You will not necessarily have entries in every box in every topic. Not all skills will be covered in all topics. However, each skill process should be visited at least twice in a key stage and approached at a higher level in the later visit.</p> <p>Key: ✓ light use of the skills ✓✓ Overt practise of the skills ✓✓✓ String emphasis on the skill</p>									

