

The Gates Curriculum Overview

History

Cycle A+B

Year	Autumn Term		Spring Term		Summer Term	
EYFS	What makes me special? Personal History: When I was in Nursery? Before school? What is old? What is new?	How do we celebrate? Personal history: The Christmas Story, Christmas in the past	Where am I? How vehicles have changed over time	Geography focus	Geography focus	Where will the story take you? Stories from the past, compare to stories now.

Cycle A 2026/27

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
KS1	<u>The Great Fire of London</u> What happened during the Great Fire of London and how has it changed the way people live? <i>(Changes beyond living memory)</i>	<u>Pretoria Pit disaster</u> A study of life in the Pretoria Pit and the disaster of 1910. How did this affect the people of Westhoughton? <i>(Significant historical events, people and places in their locality)</i>	Geography Unit <u>Australia</u>		<u>The Victorians</u> Who were the Victorians and how did they live? A study of significant Victorians and their impact. <i>(Lives of significant individuals)</i>	Geography Topic: <u>How has the UK changed since the Victorian era?</u>

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LKS2	<u>Wartime Westhoughton</u> How Westhoughton changed before, during and after WWII and its impact on life today. <i>(Local History study/A significant turning point in British History)</i>	Geography Unit <u>What can I see from my window?</u>	<u>Ancient Egyptians</u> A study of ancient civilisations (Indus Valley, Ancient Sumer and The Shang Dynasty) followed by an in-depth study of the Ancient Egyptians. <i>(Earliest Civilisations)</i>	Geography Unit <u>The Rainforest</u>
UKS2	<u>Hunter Gatherers</u> A study of the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age; looking at the significant events and the impact made <i>(Changes in Britain from the stone age to the iron age)</i>	Geography Unit <u>The Geography of Hill Forts</u>	<u>Ancient Maya</u> A study of Ancient Maya life and a comparison to British history and our lives today. <i>(Non European Society and its contrast to British History)</i>	Geography Unit <u>The Water Cycle</u> <u>Mountains, Rivers and Coasts</u>

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Cycle B 2027/28

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
KS1	Geography Topic <u>The United Kingdom</u>	<u>The Creation of Our School</u> A study of the creation of our school looking at the amalgamation of two Victorian schools into the modern school we have today. <i>(Changes within living memory)</i>	Geography Topic <u>Amazing Africa - Safari</u>		<u>First Landing on the moon</u> A study of the moon landing and the events which followed. An in-depth study of the significant individuals of the time and the impact they had. (Events beyond living memory/lives of significant individuals)	
LKS2		<u>Ancient Greeks</u> A study of who were the Greeks and how did they live? Looking at the impact they had on other historical eras including our lives today. <i>(Ancient Greece – life, achievements and influence on the West)</i>	Geography Topic <u>Maps and Mapping</u>	<u>Weavers at work</u> A study of the local cotton industry with a focus on how has the local area changed overtime linked to industry, farming and travel. <i>(Local History Study)</i>	Geography Topic <u>France</u>	
UKS2	Geography Topic <u>Volcanoes</u>)	<u>The Great War</u> How life in Britain changed before, during	Geography Topic <u>South America</u>		<u>Time Travellers</u> A study of the Celts, Romans, Anglo Saxons and Vikings, including a close	

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and after the war for
the people of
Westhoughton
alongside the wider
impact of the war.

*(Local History
Study/Significant
events since 1066*

look at their lives and wider impact.
This unit includes an in-depth study of
the Romans and Vikings.

*(Invaders and settlers and their impact
on Britain)*