



HISTORY POLICY

School Mission Statement:

Thessalonians 5.11 “ Encourage one another and build each other up.”

Jarrow Cross Church of England Primary School provides a caring, Christian environment where EVERYONE is welcome and given the opportunity to develop their full potential.

Introduction:

At Jarrow Cross Church of England Primary School, we understand the curriculum to be all of the learning and other experiences that we plan for our pupils. We aim to make a broad, balanced, inclusive, creative and progressive curriculum that will allow our pupils to achieve their full potential and prepare them for life after primary school.

Intent:

It is our intent that our children, as historians, are able to develop an understanding of continuity and change locally, nationally and globally. They will identify, compare and discuss similarities and differences within specific historical periods. Pupils will be taught to recognise the relationship between cause and consequence for significant events during and beyond living memory. The History curriculum will help them understand who they are and how their environment and the world has changed over time.

Aims:

The aims of History at Jarrow Cross Church of England Primary School are:

- To develop an interest in the past and to develop a sense of time and chronology.
- To help children develop a sense of identity through learning about the development of Britain, Europe and the World.
- To enable children to gain an understanding of the past, with relation to themselves, their families, their communities and the wider world, as appropriate to age, ability and aptitude.
- Through a lively and questioning approach, to provide the children with an experience of history which is both valid and stimulating.
- To explore the many ways in which the past is represented and interpreted.
- To use a variety of approaches in organising and communicating historical information.
- To enable children to learn about the lives of significant people and the impact on our lives.

Objectives:

The objectives for History at Jarrow Cross Church of England Primary School are:

- To enable children to develop knowledge, understanding and a sense of the past to develop a chronological framework for learning about life in past times.
- To enable children to understand how the environment in which they live in fits into the history that they study.
- To enable children to select, organise and communicate what they have learned about the past.

- To enable children to make appropriate progress in knowledge, understanding and skills in history.
- To develop children's skills as historians to enable them to research and discover the past.

Time allocation:

Class teachers and History Co-ordinators endeavour to ensure that the subject is adequately represented in terms of the overall timetable in each class. The whole school annual topic plans are devised to ensure that History has the correct amount of teaching time allocated to it within any one year and within each Key Stage.

Organisation:

All EYFS, KS1 and KS2, pupils are given to opportunity to develop an awareness of the past and of ways in which it is different from the present.

The following skills are also developed across both Key Stages:

- Observing
- Classifying
- Identifying
- Evaluating
- Describing
- Collecting
- Comparing
- Enquiring
- Investigating
- Appreciating
- Interpreting

Planning:

At Jarrow Cross, we use cross curricular approach and planning is layered. Long term plans feed into medium term and then weekly plans. Planning is a shared responsibility of teachers within year groups.

Assessment:

The assessment of History follows school assessment procedures, and utilises retrieval slides to regularly monitor learning from current and past areas of study,

Equal Opportunities:

At Jarrow Cross Church of England Primary School, we aim to secure for all children in our school, a broad, balanced, inclusive, creative and progressive education. This is the right of all children irrespective of social background, culture, race, gender, ability or disability. Where necessary, adaptive teaching is used to ensure inclusion of all children. Our school is a welcoming school where all children are encouraged to explore and discover the wonders of learning.

Use of ICT:

Our pupils are given the opportunity to use ICT and apply their skills to support and enhance their work. All pupils and staff will follow guidelines set out in the e safety policy.

Cross Curricular:

At Jarrow Cross Church of England Primary school work in History supports and reinforces work in other areas.

**This policy will be reviewed every three years as part of our policy cycle.
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To be reviewed: September 2027