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**Shine as Lights in the World**  
**Philippians 2.15**

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Welcome to the first of our curriculum newsletters!

Across the term, subject leads will be sending home a newsletter detailing units of work covered over the course of the year as well as providing ideas for trips out or books to read to further inspire your child at home.

In our History lessons, we strive to inspire children's curiosity about the past. We believe that teaching History can broaden children's horizons and allow them to develop an understanding of Britain's past and that of the wider world. Over the course of this year, your child will be exploring the questions below.

KS1	What is the oldest building in the Wychwoods?	Can one person change the world?	Who lived in castles?
LKS2	Who first lived in Britain?	What was it like for children during WW2?	What can Sulgrave Manor teach us about the Tudors?
UKS2	How was the Kingdom of England created?	How have the Ancient Greeks influenced our lives?	How have the Wychwoods changed and developed in living memory?

**Places to visit:**

Visiting different historical places is a fantastic way to bring learning to life. Many of the places recommended below cover a range of historical periods.

<https://www.hrp.org.uk/hampton-court-palace/> - Visit the famous residence of Henry VII.

<https://www.oxfordcastleandprison.co.uk/> - Take a visit to our nearest local castle in Oxford.

<https://www.ashmolean.org/> - Take a trip to Oxford to visit the Ashmolean museum. They have a brilliant European prehistory collection as well as a Greek collection.

<https://www.iwm.org.uk/> - The Imperial War Museum in London is the best place to visit to further learning about the war.

<https://www.britishmuseum.org/visit> - The British Museum in London is a great day out. Collections include Sutton Hoo and early Europe, Ancient Greeks and Viking collections.



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<https://www.prm.ox.ac.uk/> - The Pitt Rivers Museum in Oxford has a range of archaeological objects from all over the world.

### **Things to watch:**

Another great way to engage your child with history is by watching different programmes. We can't not mention the famous 'Horrible History' tv show. It's available on BBC iPlayer and there are hundreds of episodes to choose from:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b00sp018/horrible-histories?seriesId=b00k2xb1>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/articles/z2w4bqt> - A short animated series following two characters, Fatima and Harry as they find out about castles and knights.

<https://www.netflix.com/gb/title/80095866> - 'Secrets of Great British Castles' - A detailed series exploring castles across the UK.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/articles/zm7wpg8> 'Children of World War 2' is a short series where modern children meet people who grew up in World War 2 and learn about their experiences.

### **Podcast recommendations**

<https://podcasts.apple.com/gb/podcast/history-storytime-for-kids/id1435699157> - History storytime for kids is narrated by two children and their father and has over 100 episodes covering many of the themes we teach in the KS1 and KS2 curriculum,

### **Book recommendations:**

Books are a fantastic window into the past. Whether they are non-fiction or bring the past to life through storytelling, books can open our eyes to the world of late. If your child has been engaged with a particular topic, a book is a fantastic way to continue their learning at home. On the following pages are some different recommendations for each of the topics that are being covered across the year. Please ensure you read the reviews and general themes of the book to make sure they will be appropriate for your child. If you click on the book it will take you to a link on Amazon.

### **EYFS**

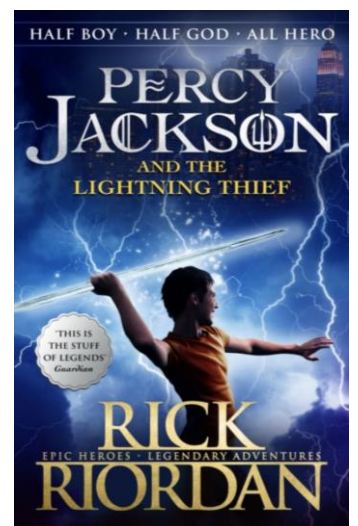
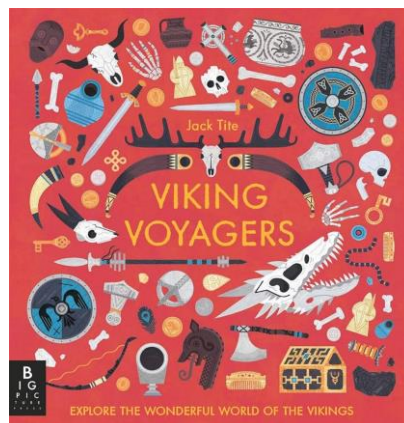
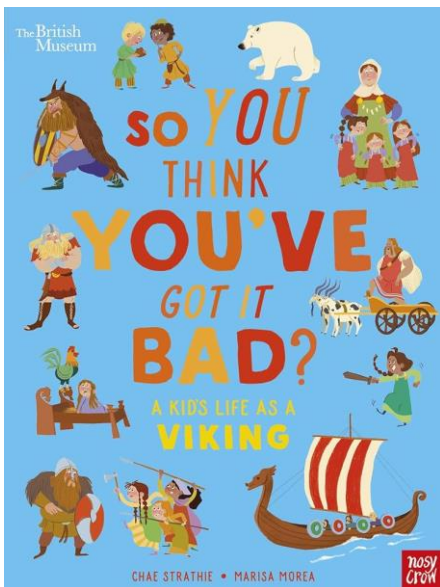
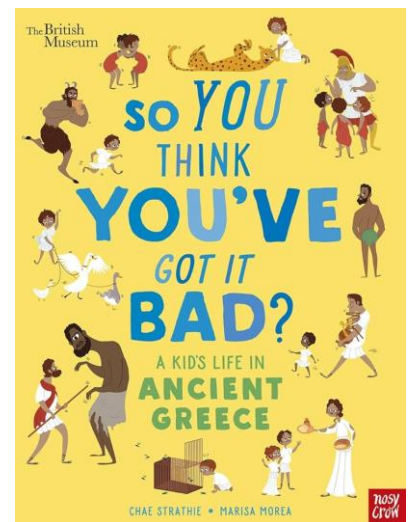
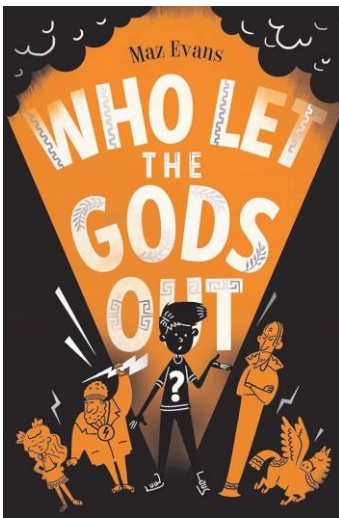
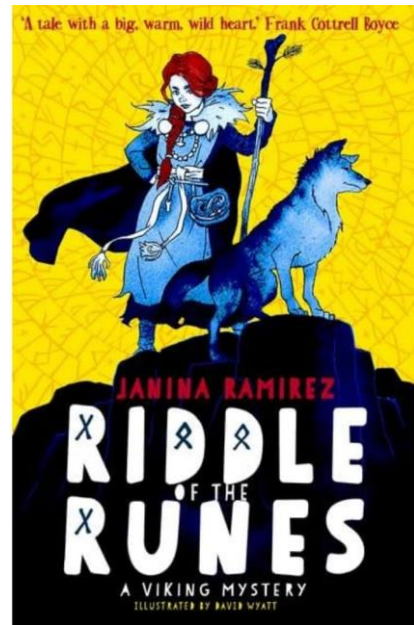
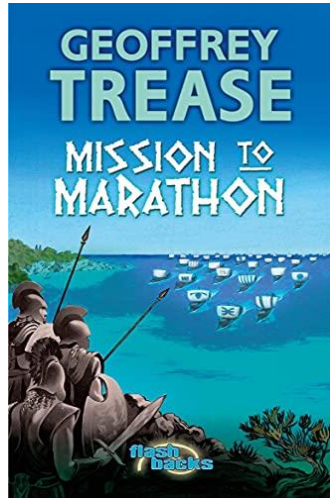
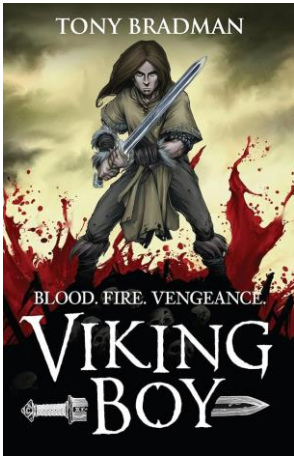
The Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum supports children's understanding of History through the planning and teaching of 'Understanding the World'. To find out more about what is covered, please visit the website and look at the Early Years Overview and find the section titled 'Understanding the World: People and Places of the Past'.

### **Visits**

If you or a family friend has a job or any experience linked to any of the history units being covered then we would love to invite them into school. Please contact the office if you know someone who would be interested in speaking to the children about their experiences.

Thank you for your support.

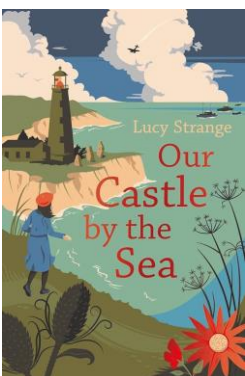
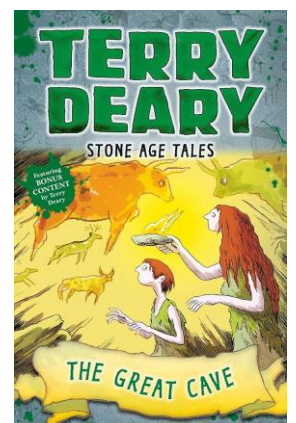
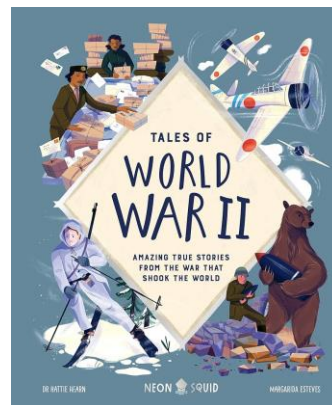
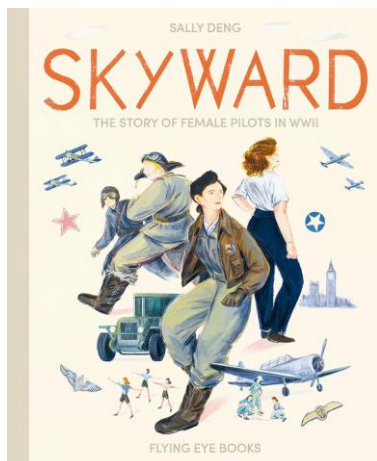
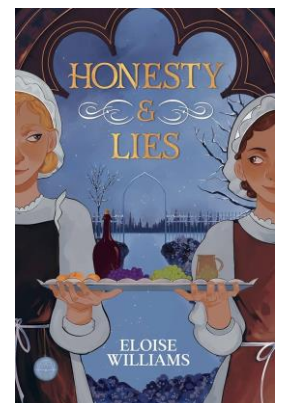
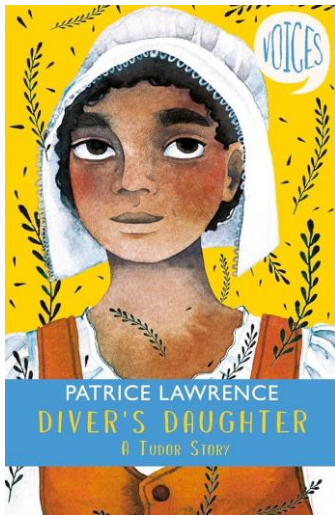
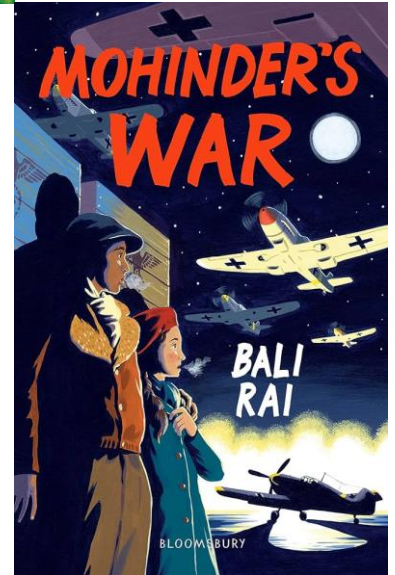
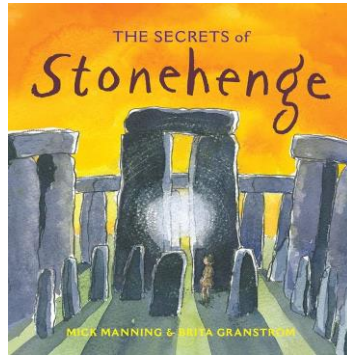
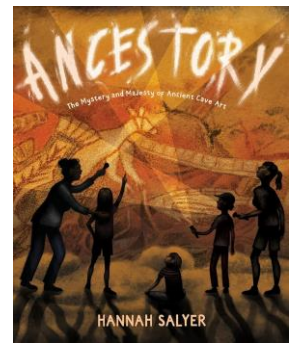
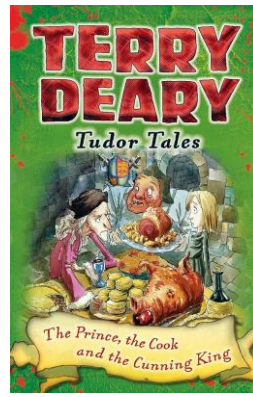
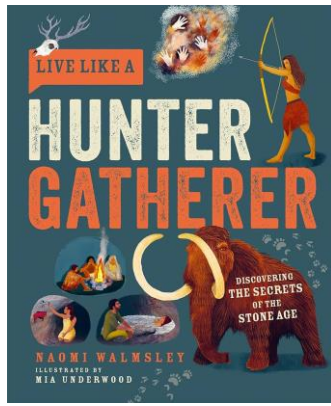
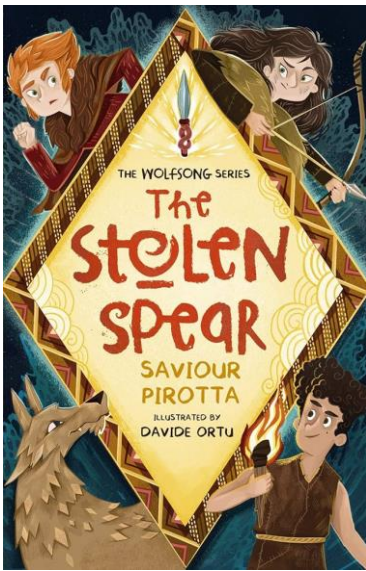
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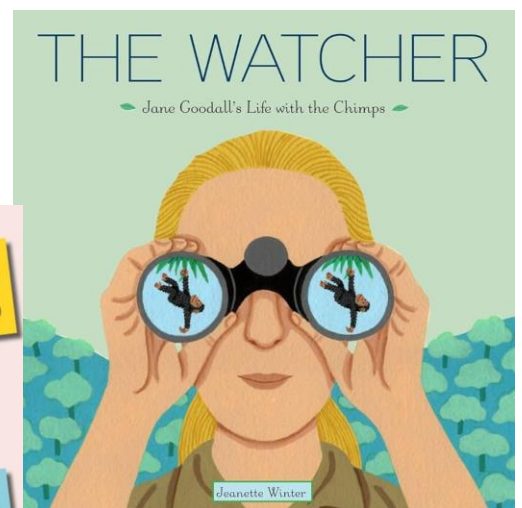
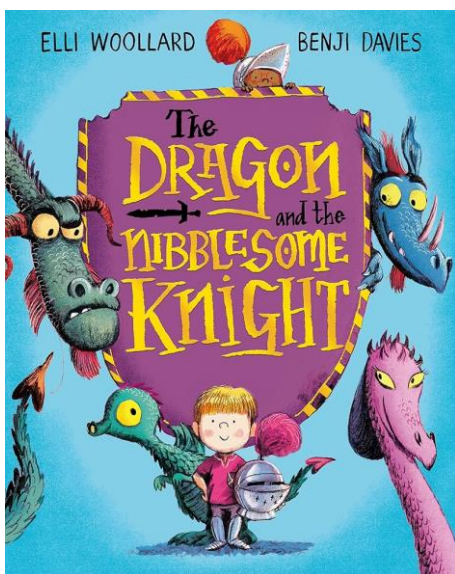
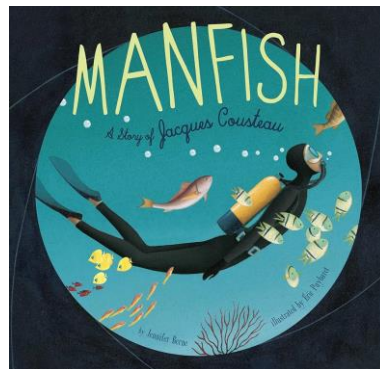
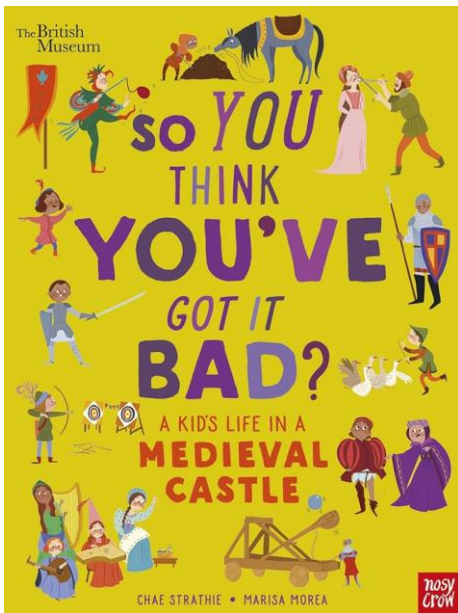
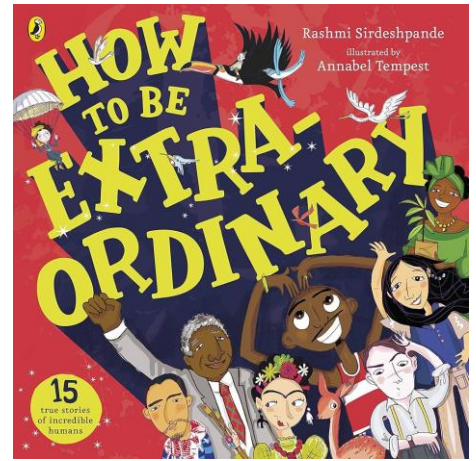
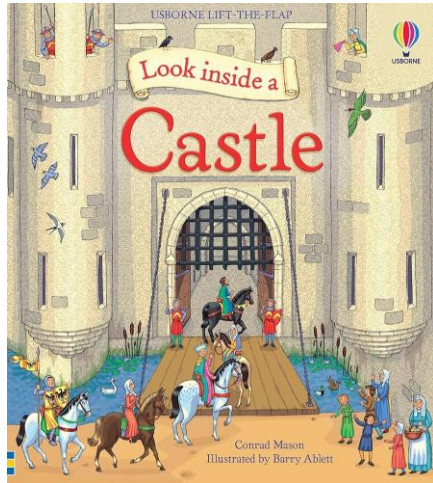
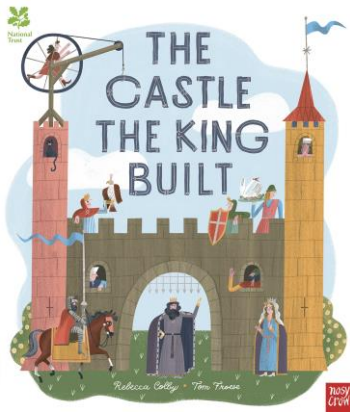




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