History at St Marys – Pupil Voice

Why is it important to learn about history?

KS1

-We need to know what happened in the past.

-If bad things happened, we can learn from it.

KS2

-We need to learn about the past.

-We can learn what lives were like in the past, how the past was similar or different and how and why things have changed.

What skills do historians have?

KS1

-They need to know how to learn about the past, by looking at sources and speaking to people.

KS2

-They need to know dates and how to use timelines.

-They dig for artefacts and need to know how to handle them.

How has what you've learnt in the past helped you this year?

KS1

-We always use timelines to see how our new learning fits in

-Learning about King Charles II in our GFOL topic, helped us when learning about monarchs.

-We know that Neil Armstrong went to the moon when Queen Elizabeth was monarch.

KS2

-We compared how people lived in the Stone Age to Iron Age and how this changed with the Romans.

-Knowing that castles were used as defence helped us to understand the purpose of Hadrian's Wall.

-We used our knowledge of timelines to discuss how time periods link or cross over.

What do you have in your classroom or books to help you?

KS1

-Knowledge organiser

-Topic wall with important words

-Topic dictionaries

KS2

-Knowledge organiser

-Mascot

-Topic wall with important words

-Non fiction books

How do you recap previous learning?

KS1

-Sticky Knowledge starters.

KS2

-Sticky Knowledge starters.

-End of topic assessments

-Knowledge organisers.