# Eversholt Lower School
## History Curriculum Statement

### Intent

**What will take place before teaching in the classroom?**

The school’s senior leadership team will:

- Lead the school staff to develop a clear overarching curriculum intent which drives the ongoing development and improvement of all curriculum subjects.
- Ensure that the curriculum subject leaders have appropriate time to develop their specific curriculum intent through careful research and development.
- Provide sufficient funding to ensure that implementation is high quality.

### Implementation

**Our teaching sequence will be:**

- **Learning journey:** Placing of the History being studied in the chronological context of previous learning, using the class timeline.
- **Daily review:** Brief review of learning covered in previous lesson/s
- **Specify key vocabulary to be used and its meaning**
- **Conduct Historical enquiry using a variety of sources and / or artefacts**
- **Interpret their findings**
- **Communicate their historical knowledge and understanding appropriately**
- **Evaluate their learning and compare with other historical periods studied as appropriate**

### Impact

**Pupil Voice will show:**

- A developed understanding of the methods and skills of historians at an age appropriate level
- A secure understanding of the key techniques and methods for each key area of the curriculum: field work, place and location knowledge, and human and physical knowledge.
- A progression of understanding, with appropriate vocabulary which supports and extends understanding
- Confidence in discussing history, their own work and identifying their own strengths and areas for development

### The curriculum subject leader will:

- Understand and articulate the expectations of the curriculum to support teaching and support staff in the delivery.
- Ensure an appropriate progression of knowledge is in place which supports pupils in knowing more and remembering more as historians.
- Ensure an appropriate progression of history skills and knowledge is in place over time so that pupils are supported to be the best historians they can be, and challenge teachers to support struggling historians and extend more competent ones.
- Ensure an appropriate progression for vocabulary is in place for each phase of learning, which builds on prior learning.
- Identify historians who underpin specific areas of the curriculum and raise aspirations for pupils.
- Keep up to date with current history research and subject development through an appropriate subject body or professional group.

### Our classrooms will:

- Provide appropriate quality equipment for each area of the curriculum.
- Have developed learning walls which include high quality WAGOLLS, including actual pieces of work and known historians, and carefully chosen vocabulary, which are regularly updated.
- Be organised so that pupils can work in small groups or whole class as appropriate to support pupils in their development of their skills.
- Deploy appropriately challenging selections of texts, both non-fiction and fiction, accessible throughout learning to develop wider understanding and underpin reading skills.

### Displays around school and books will show:

- Pupils have had opportunities for practice and refinement of skills.
- A varied and engaging curriculum which develops a range of historical skills.
- Developed and final pieces of work which showcase the skills learned.
- Clear progression of skills in line with expectations set out in the progression grids.
- That pupils, over time, develop a range of skills and techniques across all of the areas of the historical curriculum.
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<td>• Create long and medium term plans which ensures appropriate coverage of knowledge, skills and vocabulary from the progression grid.</td>
<td>• Engaged because they are challenged by the curriculum which they are provided with.</td>
<td>• Celebrate the successes of pupils through planned displays.</td>
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<td>• Personally pursue support for any particular subject knowledge and skills gaps prior to teaching.</td>
<td>• Resilient learners who overcome barriers and understand their own strengths and areas for development.</td>
<td>• Collate appropriate evidence over time which evidences that pupils know more and remember more.</td>
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<td>• Ensure that resources are appropriate, of high enough quality and are plentiful so that all pupils have the correct tools and materials.</td>
<td>• Able to critique their own work as an historian because they know how to be successful.</td>
<td>• Monitor the standards in the subject to ensure the outcomes are at expected levels.</td>
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<td>• Safe and happy in history lessons which give them opportunities to explore their own creative development.</td>
<td>• Provide ongoing CPD support based on the outcomes of subject monitoring to ensure that the impact of the curriculum is wide reaching and positive.</td>
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<td>• Encouraged and nurtured to overcome any barriers to their learning or self-confidence because feedback is positive and focuses historical skills and knowledge</td>
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<td>• Develop historical skills and confidence over time because of careful planning, focused delivery and time to practice and hone skills.</td>
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