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			Year 3			
Changes In Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age Approx. 6 weeks	The first Britons emerged were nomadic hunter gatherers who made tools out of stone as metal had not been discovered. (pg.3) Approximately 2000 years later, people discovered bronze and started using it to make tools, weapons and jewellery. The Bronze Age lasted for just over 1000 years. (pg.5)	Stonehenge – historians think that the position of the Stones is because Stone Age Britons worshiped the sun (and other parts of nature such as the stars) as a god. (pg.3) Worshiping the sun and other gods was normal until the Roman came.	Celts traded with the Gauls (France) and with the Romans. There was trade in clothing and woven baskets, hunting dogs, grains, wood and animal skins. This meant they could earn money which first appeared in Britain around 80BC. (pg.3) The Romans liked the goods the Celts traded and it showed them how much wealth there was in Britain. (pg.6)	Stone Age people usually lived in small groups and were nomadic. (pg.3) The Celts began to settle into large tribes as iron tools meant people could start farming the land and didn't need to move around to gather food. (pg.6) The tribes were ruled by Chieftains - these could be men or women. Later some were known as Kings or Queens (pg.6)	Know that the humans of the Stone Age lived many thousands of years after dinosaurs had disappeared. Recognise this as 'pre-history' (pg.1) Use terms AD/BC and BCE/CE and place on timeline – know that there is no 0 on a timeline. (pg.1)	Know that archaeological finds at places such as Skara Brae and Stonehenge are primary sources. Know what a secondary source is.
The Achievements of the Earliest Civilisations – Ancient Egypt Approx. 12 weeks	Ancient Egyptians were one of the most advanced Ancient Civilisations – they were using metals and more advanced technologies while Britain was still in the Stone Age. (pg 1) Ancient Egypt began to emerge as a settled society around 3100BC – over 2000 years before the Celts started settling into tribes in Britain. (pg 2) Egyptian was one of the first languages to be written down. Hieroglyphs were used until approx. 300AD. Historians only began to understand hieroglyphs after the discovery of the Rosetta Stone. (pg 3) In 1922 a team of British Archaeologists lead by Howard Carter discovered the tomb of Tutankhamun – 'the Boy King' – who became Pharaoh age 9 and died aged 18. His tomb in the Valley of the Kings is the only known tomb that hadn't been robbed of all its treasures. The discovery of the tomb was very important in understanding more about life in Ancient Egypt. (pg 4)	Religion was very important to the Egyptians. Like (but before) the Romans, they were polytheists – they worshipped many gods. (pg 2) The most important gods included Ra (Sun God), Osiris (God of Life and Death) and Annubis (God of the Dead). (pg 2) Ancient Egyptians thought that if they pleased the Gods that they would be granted eternal life. They believed in Ma'at (May-et) – a life of justice, order and harmony. They believed that all levels of society would be judged as equal. A slave would be treated the same as a pharaoh and would be rewarded or punished based on their behaviour. (pg 2) Death rituals and mummification were important to the Egyptians as this prepared the person for the journey to the afterlife. (pg 2) Egyptians made many advances in medicine. Egyptian doctors were seen as a punishment from the gods. (pg 4)	The Nile was central to Egyptian life as it provided fertile land and water for the Ancient Egyptians. The way the Nile floods made the land around it very good for growing crops which enabled the Egyptians to develop a lot of wealth. (pg 4/5) The mud around the Nile made very good bricks which helped with building. (pg 4/5)	Egyptian society was strictly hierarchical - at least 5 layers: The Pharoahs; Viziers; Scribes; Farmers; Slaves. (pg 2) Pharaohs were seen as the representative of the gods on earth – half god/half man. They had absolute power. The first pyramids were built in 2700BC – they were tombs for the Pharaohs and their families. (pg 3) Cleopatra was the last of the Pharaohs but had to fight to stay as Pharaoh because she was a woman. When the Romans came she made an alliance with Julius Caesar and persuaded him to defeat her brother Potolemy. (pg 5) Cleopatra and Caesar had a son together. Cleopatra made Egypt wealthy again and built-up trade with other nations. When Cleopatra died, Egypt became part of the Roman empire. Egyptians now had to work for Rome – the crops grown in the Nile delta kept Romans fed.	Use terms such as 'century/ies' and 'decade' to describe the passing of time. (e.g.: The Ancient Egyptian civilisation lasted approximately 3 centuries) Accurately plot the start and end of Egyptian civilisation on a timeline. Refer to 'eras' to indicate periods of time – 'the Egyptians came before the Roman era'	Ancient Civilisation refers to a very old society that no longer exists. There are many ancient civilisations from around the world. (pg 1) Making comparisons — ask/answer questions such as. 'Why is the sun so often the most important god in ancient civilisations?' Understand the term 'secondary source' — what we know about Howard Carter's dig is largely based on secondary sources, the artefacts he found are primary sources that tell us about Ancient Egypt. Use a range of sources to complete independent research on Howard Carter. Recognise that one event can have sustained consequences — Cleopatra's decision to link up with Caesar eventually led to Egypt becoming part of the Roman empire — Egypt was no longer in charge of its own affairs.
	Around 750 BC, people discovered how to use iron, a much stronger metal. This was the iron age. The people in Britain at the time were known as the Celts and they invented many new ways of doing things that meant that people could start making goods that could be traded. (pg.5)					





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Ancient Greece - their achievements and their influence on the western world.	People had been living in Greece for many thousands of years (in a similar way to the Stone Age in Britain) before Greek society developed. The 'Ancient Greeks' that we study lived from 800BCE to 146BCE. (pg 1) The Ancient Greeks preceded the Romans – many aspects of Roman culture were shaped by the Ancient Greeks. The myths associated with the Ancient Greek gods (pg 4/5) are still well known and the names of the gods are often used by modern companies to market themselves – Hermes Parcel Delivery; Nike; Amazon. The modern Olympic Games were inspired by the original Olympics of the Ancient Greeks. The UK is democratic, as are most countries in Europe and America. Greeks valued education and learning and many of the things that they discovered or invented are still important today: Aristotle – Science; Hippocrates – Medicine; Herodotus – History;	Belief in the gods was one of the things that united the Ancient Greeks. The Greek gods and the Roman gods are very similar – an example of how the Greeks influenced the Romans. (pg 3) Greeks believed that the gods controlled all aspects of life and they worked hard to please them. Many of the Greek's most impressive buildings were temples to the gods – some have survived to this day and can be visited in cities like Athens. (pg 4) The Olympic Games were very important to all Greeks and were first held to honour the gods who were believed to live at Mount Olympus. (pg 4/5)	Like Scandinavia (but for different reasons) Greece was a difficult land to grow crops on so the Greeks formed colonies around the Mediterranean to grow food. (pg 1) Greeks traded all over Africa, Europe and Asia – they were famous for their grapes, wine, pottery and olives. (pg 1) Today tourism is a major part of the Greek economy – the ancient monuments are one of the key attractions – link to Geography	Ancient Greece was a series of city states each with its own king, cultures and way of life. They would often fight each other but would unite when threatened by another nation. (pg 1) The two city states we know most about are Athens and Sparta. Life in the two city-states was very different. (pg 2) The Greeks invented democracy which was very different from the way monarchies ruled in most countries. Laws began to get set by a council of educated men who voted (pg7).	Life in the same era could be very different in different places – Greece against Britain; Sparta against Athens.	Develop the understanding of legacy — that a society that lived many thousands of years ago can influence modern life. Greek thinking and ideas were largely adopted by the Romans who then exported them across their empire. Art, language/literature, architecture, politics, science, medicine, mathematics all have strong links back to the Ancient Greeks. Recognise that information from different sources, primary and secondary, can be interpreted differently. Give reasons for historical events — what might have motivated the Greeks to invent democracy?
-1 -	Pythagoras – Maths; Astronomy (pg 9)					
The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain. Approx. 12 weeks	Roman society had developed more quickly than in Britain; Rome had established an Empire with their powerful army. (pg.2 & 6) The Romans tried to invade Britain twice under Julius Caesar (55AD and 54AD) but had to retreat. AD43 Emperor Claudius decided to invade Britain again —with a much bigger and better equipped army. The Celtic tribes couldn't resist and most chieftains agreed to surrender and live peacefully alongside the Romans. (pg.6) The Iceni initially accepted the Romans but when their chieftain, Prasutagus, died, the Romans wouldn't allow his wife Boudica to take his place. Boudica led a rebellion which was eventually crushed in AD61. Boudica is still regarded as a hero by many Britons. (pg.7) The Romans never conquered Scotland and referred to the tribes as Picts — painted people. In 117AD, Hadrian's wall was built to keep the Picts away from the land controlled by the Romans. (pg.9) Romans brought many changes to Britain — straight roads (pg.10), better buildings, water courses (pg.12), founded towns and cities (pg.11), writing/new ways to count and increased trade between Britain and the rest of the world. London was founded by the Romans because it was the first place on the Thames where they could build a bridge. Towcester is also a Roman town. (pg.11) 410AD the Romans left Britain to quell rebellions in other parts of the Empire. Britain was left leaderless and the tribes reformed and	Romans believed in many gods and believed that the gods controlled their lives. There were gods for all aspects of life. (pg.4/5) Romans spent a lot of time worshipping and pleasing their gods – each god had its own feast day. The Romans believed that an Emperor who ruled well would become a god. (pg.5) Christianity began to spread through the Roman empire from about 50AD. Early Christians were persecuted for their beliefs but by 313AD the Roman Empire adopted Christianity as its main religion in place of the old gods. Christianity first arrived in Britain through the Romans. (pg.13)	Review Celt trade with the Gauls – recognise why this attracted the Romans to Britain. The Romans also traded people as slaves and invaded countries to find more slaves. The Romans were the first people to build roads – this let them move goods and equipment more easily and was an important reason why the empire was so successful. (pg.10) Many of the towns in Britain were founded because the Celts settled near to Roman forts so that they could trade with them. (pg.11)	Julius Caesar was the first Emperor. He was all powerful and ruled by decree. (pg.5). After Julius Caesar, the Roman Empire was always ruled by an Emperor. An Empire is when one country has conquered and rules several other countries. A King or Queen is monarch over one (or a few) countries – an emperor is monarch over many. After the Roman invasion of AD43 – people had to live by Roman laws. The tribes were allowed to stay together but only if they obeyed the Romans. This meant some big changes e.g. women could no longer rule and were not allowed to inherit money if their husbands died. (Boudica) (pg.7)	Placing events on a timeline accurately across the AD/BC barrier e.g the time between the invasion of Julius Caesar and Claudius. Know that there is no '0' on a timeline. Read dates properly	Understand 'legacy' as how one period of history influences the lives of those who come later – a legacy of the Romans in Britain is their straight roads; their impact on our language. Know that there are many Roman artefacts that are primary sources of information. Make comparisons between two different points in history – e.g. – before and after the Roman occupation of Britain.





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	ought for power. Many of the developments the Romans has atroduced were neglected. (pg.15/16)					
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			Year 5			
		Medieval England was Christian. It is a	Rural communities relied on successful	William 1 (William Conqueror) set up a	To represent lengths of time between	To ask historical questions: To ask
	n Britain was called the 'middle ages' or the medieval period.	time when many churches were built.	farming.	feudal system. This meant that he	events on a accurately time line	historical questions to seek information
	500AD-1450AD) Middle ages split into 3 parts the early middle	5 · 11: 11 11: 1		rewarded his closest supporters with	(items placed closely together for	on change
	ges have been taught in Year 5 already (Anglo Saxons after fall of oman Empire) and this must be referred back to.	Famine and disease were thought to be a punishment from God.	Most farmers were tenant farmers – meaning the land was not owned by	large areas of land to manage on his	consecutive dates, empty space to	To ask historical questions to seek information on cause
	he period of the Middle ages concerning Wolfhamcote was	pullishment from Gou.	them but rented from the local	behalf. There was a huge divide in England between the lives of the	indicate 100 years passing) Map the	illorination on cause
kn	nown as the 'High' Middle ages (1066 – 1350).		landowner (In Wolfhamcote this was	wealthy nobles/lords and the peasantry.	chronology of the known history of Wolfhampcote: William Conqueror	Chronology: To identify continuity and
	o know that 1066 William Conqueror invaded England and took		Thurkill of Warwick).	To understand what life was like for rich	invasion, Doomsday book, Thurkill as	change within a period.
	ver as King. (Refer back to this from Year 2 CASTLES topic) Most nglish people were oppose to William but some supported him		Doonlowho worked the land were	and poor during this period including the	landowner (passes down to his son after	Give reasons for aspects of life to change or continue.
	nd were rewarded for their loyalty. He made many people lords		People who worked the land were known as peasants. They paid rent to	term PEASANT, LANDOWNER, FEUDAL	death) Famine, Black Death and in 1517	or continue.
	nd gave them land.		landowner.	The Doomsday book was called 'The	Wolfhampcote is reported to be	
				Great Survey' ordered by William	'Ruinam Positam' (Ruined and deserted)	Presenting learning:
	he great Famine			Conqueror (William 1) in order to find		To construct informed responses by
	the autumn and winter of 1314, Britain experienced a period of xtreme wet and "bizarre" weather; torrential rain flooded the			out who owned land and property in		selecting and organising historical information
	elds, rotting crops and drowning livestock. The staple food of the			England.		To choose an effective method to
	me was of course bread, but the 'daily' bread was becoming			The solid /The contribute of Manageria Institute of the solid state of		communicate historical information
	nore and more scarce as stored grains either went mouldy or			Thorkil/Thurchill of Warwick was a local landowner called 'Tenant in chief'		drawing on knowledge of sources.
	vere "innutritious". In a good year, one might expect a good eturn on grain planted: for each grain sown, you could get up to			meaning there was no lord above him		(Longer written piece to analyse why Wolhampcote was mostly ruined and
	even grains back. In 1315 the return was devastating: now you			and his land was given directly from the		deserted by 1517).
	eaped <i>one</i> grain for every <i>two</i> planted – had they known it, they			king. Before the 1066 invasion he owned		1000.100 27 10177.
	ould have been better off <i>not</i> sowing seeds in the spring, but of			 – 6 areas of land and after !066 invasion he held over 50 areas of land, including 		
	ourse they did not know that this spell of bad weather would			Wolfhampcote. Doomsday book shows		
de	evastate crops for almost two years.			this.		
Bla	lack Death. To know that the Black Death was a disease that					
sp	pread through England from 1348.					
	ncient Mayan civilisation emerged around 2600BCE making them ontemporaries of the Ancient Egyptians although the two	Like many other ancient civilisations, the Mayans were polytheistic and believes		Mayan society was a monarchy and like	Deepen understanding that two civilisations could exist at	Ask significant questions about the rights and wrongs of the Spanish in
	ivilisations would not have known anything about each other.	the gods controlled all aspects of life. In		the Egyptians, Mayans believed that the King was given to them by the gods. A	the same time but at very	the Caribbean – be aware that
	he high point of Mayan civilisation was around 900AD (much	Mayan society this was even more		new ruling family could only take over by	different stages of	other nations, especially Britain, did
	iter than the Egyptians) but gradually declined until 1250CE	important than in other aspects of life –		war – fights between different Mayan	development.	similar things in different parts of
Civilisation wh	hen the main city, Chichen Itza was abandoned.	it influenced their amazing mathematical		cities who wanted to rule, were		the Americas/world.
Approx 6 M	Mayan civilisation was largely unknown until Catherwood and	achievements <i>(pg. 8)</i> , the way they organised their calendar (pg.6/7) and		common. (pg.3)		
	tephens expedition of 1839 (see Progression Doc) – the Spanish	even their sports (pg. 9)		Mayan society was class based as were		
	nvaders of the 16 th century destroyed much of what we might	, v-3/		other ancient societies and like other		
ha	ave known as they believed it to be evil.	The important gods were: Itzamma,		societies, your class determined what		
	ha anamaha afaha Wasakan majiran kanan sanisa farka da da	Kukulkan, Bolon Tzacab and Chaac. (pg		privileges you had and what type of		
	he geography of the Yucatan peninsula was a major factor in the vay Mayan society developed.	4/ 5).		job/role you would have – people couldn't change the class they were		
"	ay mayan society developed.	Human sacrifice was a major part of		born into (other than some slaves)		
		Mayan religion – this was to please the		(pg.3/4)		
		gods but Mayans believed that it also				
		enabled the person to continue their				
		journey in the next life.				
		The pyramid temples were built to				
		please the gods – there were two main				
		types (pg 5)				





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Britain's	Although the Celts had lived alongside the Romans, there was a	Anglo-Saxons were pagans – they did	The areas of Denmark and Germany	Revisit end of Romans unit - chieftains	Become increasingly confident in using	Sutton Hoo – what did archaeologists
Settlement by	lot of bitterness and anger towards them. The Romans left the	not believe in the Christian God and	where the Anglo-Saxon tribes came from	returned as the main leaders of people	terms such as, 'it took just a century and	find there and what did it tell us about
Anglo-Saxons	Celts with very few resources, many Celts had died because of	Christianity almost disappeared in	were flooded because of poor weather	in Britain.	a half for all traces of the Celts to	the Anglo-Saxons
and Scots.	rough treatment by the Romans or had been taken as slaves. The	England when the Celts were wiped out.	and they couldn't grow crops. (pg 2)		disappear'; 'just a decade or two later'	 Like the Egyptians, the rich
	Celts were vulnerable to attack from other people because they	(pg 8)	They wanted to find better land to live	The Anglo-Saxons were made up of lots		were buried with their
Approx. 6	were so weakened. (pg 1)		on – which would give them greater	of separate tribes (pg 2) and gradually	Refer back to the 'Roman era'	treasure for the afterlife.
weeks.		Extend thinking from Egyptian unit to	wealth.	united once they were in England by		Historians use this to deduce
	Celtic tribes from Ireland were known as the Scotti – they	recognise/predict the link between the		forming the seven Kingdoms – each area	Plot the key dates accurately on a	what Anglo-Saxon life was like.
	sometimes fought with the Picts against the Romans. After the	Saxon gods and nature. (pg 8)	Farming was the way that most people	was its own monarchy. The King was the	timeline (the timeline should stretch to	
	Romans left, they frequently attacked different parts of Britain		earned a living and survived.	ruler and had to be obeyed. Kings often	1066 to accommodate events in the	
	and eventually invaded Western Scotland. After a while they took	Important gods include Tu – Darkness;		fought each other to gain more land,	second unit on the Anglo-Saxons):	
	over the whole country – hence the name Scotland.	Woden – war; Thor – Thunder; Freya –		money and power. (pg 4)	 410AD – Roman departure. 	
		Peace & Plenty,			 450AD – Vortigern 	
	The Scots frequently attacked the rest of Britain seeking food,			'Thanes' governed each village/town on	 500AD – seven Kingdoms 	
	metal and other resources.	Along with the Sun and the Moon –		behalf of the King. They gathered taxes	 597AD – Augustine /Ethelbert 	
		these gods give the names to six of our		for the King and gathered people to	624AD – burial of Raedwald at	
	A Celt tribe leader – Vortigern - asked two Saxon leaders to come	seven days. The 7 th Saturday is from the		make up an army if the King decided to	Sutton Hoo.	
	and help defend their tribes/lands from the Scots – they agreed	Roman god Saturn. (pg 8)		go to war. Ceorls/Peasants – were the		
	but instead they attacked and killed the Celts and took over their			normal people and were poor. They had		
	lands. (pg 3)	Christianity returned to England in the		to obey the thanes but got protection		
		late 6th century - AD597 King Ethelbert		from enemies by the thane, if they were		
	Many more Anglo, Saxon and Jute tribes started to arrive (450AD)	(Kent) was converted to Christianity by		loyal. (pg 5)		
	– within 150 years they had wiped out the Celts and destroyed the	Saint Augustine and he built Canterbury				
	Celtic way of life. (pg 3)	Cathedral which to this day is the centre		Understand 'tax'		
		of Christian church for many people. (pg				
	By 500AD – the Anglo-Saxons had split England into seven	9) Within about 100 years most Anglo-		Anglo-Saxons also had slaves who were		
	Kingdoms – Northumbria, Mercia, East Anglia, Essex, Wessex,	Saxons had become Christians.		very badly treated. (pg 5)		
	Sussex and Kent – these areas are still recognised today.	ADCOA Color Alden established the		Manager and the August and the Augus		
	The many Foreland converted to Angle Lond (Formula Angle Lond)	AD634 – Saint Aiden established the		Women were not recognised in Anglo-		
	The name England comes from Angle-land (French – Angleterre)	monastery at Lindisfarne.		Saxon society. They did not have the		
				rights that women had in Celt tribes and were not allowed to eat in the same		
				place as men.		
			Year 6	place as men.		
A study of an	Know that British history after England became a single kingdom is	Revisit Anglo-Saxon conversion to		Tax laws in Anglo-Saxon times meant	Create a layered timeline (with events	Recognise that source information can
aspect of British	commonly split into different eras: Anglo-Saxons; Medieval;	Christianity and God was seen to be in		that the rich got richer and more	that happened over the same period)	be biased (secondary sources) or
History that	Tudors; Stuarts; Georgians; Victorians and the modern era. Mark	direct control of all things (note this a		powerful and could 'buy' their way out	from 1066 to the present – mark on all	interpreted in different ways.
extends	these on a timeline.	common theme amongst the different		of punishments. The poor were taxed	the different eras of monarchy –	
chronological		belief systems) and that this led to Trial		heavily and often couldn't survive	Tudor/Stuart etc; key events already	Summarise trends/changes over
knowledge	The increasing power on the monarchy in Tudor times meant that	by Ordeal. (pg 1)		without breaking the law – hence the	studied in KS1 (Great Fire of London;	extended periods of time – is life fairer
beyond 1066:	the King (or occasionally Queen) determined what the law was.			stories of Robin Hood (pg 2/3)	Gun Powder Plot; Christopher Columbus;	today than it was?
Crime and	The 'Star Chamber' was set up but controlled by the monarch (<i>pg.</i>	Christianity comes in different forms.			moon-landing) as well as other big	
Punishment	6). Henry VIII is the most well-known Kings of England for having	Henry VIII breaks from the Roman		In Tudor times the power of the	historical events that the children are	
	had six wives and the split from Rome (pg. 7)	Catholic Church to form the Church of		monarchy increases. The King was seen	aware of (WWI; WWII etc). Add dates for	
Approx. 12		England. This created a great split in the		as being appointed by God and	key figures met during this unit – Henry	
weeks	Public executions became more and more common in this time.	country. (pg 7)		therefore all powerful. In theory, the	VIII; Robert Peel etc.	
	A second to Table 1 and 1 to 1 t	The district has a part of		monarch was answerable to God but	Bookst comment f	
	Across the Tudors and Stuarts The Church and Monarchy became	The division between Roman Catholics		when Henry VIII broke from Rome and	Revisit concept of eras.	
	more powerful and this led to new laws and new crimes – an	and Protestants was one of the reasons		establish the Church of England, he	Write a chronological reservice veix -	
	example of this is the Witch Hunts (pg. 8)	behind the Gun Powder Plot. (pg 9)		effectively controlled the church as well.	Write a chronological narrative using	
	Dunichments for crimes become more and reces beckeris to 1.1	In Stuart times the manager		(pg 7)	bridging themes – e.g. have the changes	
	Punishments for crimes became more and more barbaric to deter	In Stuart times, the monarchy and		Darliament was originally set up as a	in crime and punishment made life fairer	
	criminals – the Gun Powder plot conspirators were hung, drawn	church lost some of its power as Parliament became the main place		Parliament was originally set up as a place where important men were able to	for poor people?	
	and quartered. (pg 9)	where laws were set.		meet and guide the King in ruling the		
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	The new laws set by Parliament around things like Poaching and	In modern times, religion has a lot less	Economy, rrade	During Stuart times, more people felt	Chronology	Being a misterian
	Smuggling made life harder for poor people and easier for the	to do with the legal process. (pg 12)		the power on the monarchy and the		
	rich. (pg 10)			church was unfair. This led to the English		
				Civil war, after which the UK became		
	In the Victorian era public opinion began to matter more and			more of a democracy and the King could		
	things like public executions were stopped because they had			only rule with consent from Parliament.		
	become unpopular. There were still lots of crimes that you could			Parliament was mostly made up of		
	be hanged for or transported to another country to do hard			wealthy landowners were able to create		
	labour. (pg 11)			laws that suited them.		
	The Victorian Parliaments introduced many new laws – some of			By Victorian times, laws are set by		
	these gave more rights to poorer people. They also created the first ever police force (pg. 11)			Parliament.		
	(F3. 22)			Parliament is led by the Prime Minister.		
				A famous Victorian Prime Minister was		
				Robert Peel who set up the police in the		
				UK. (pg 11)		
				Modern Britain has built on what the		
				Victorians did – laws are set by		
				Parliament – the police gather evidence		
				if they think a crime has been committed		
				and a court decides if there is enough evidence to convict someone. In serious		
				cases, a jury decides if a person is guilty		
				or not guilty. (pg 12/13)		
The Viking and	Vikings began raiding monasteries and other places looking for	Vikings and Norse mythology (pg 4).	Vikings came from Norway, Denmark	Vikings had a hierarchy/class system of	Continue the timeline started in the	Use information from previous units to
Anglo-Saxon	treasures but noted that England had fertile land and space for	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	and Sweden (pg 1) – they were expert	thrall, karl and jarl but unlike other	previous Anglo-Saxon unit – add	spot common historical themes and
Struggle for the	people – unlike their own lands. Raids turned into an invasion as	Revisit previous unit – recall that	sailors and traded with many countries	systems (Anglo-Saxons, Romans etc)	important dates as they come up	trends – e.g. learn about the climate in
Kingdom of	the Vikings decided they would settle. (pg 7)	England was predominately Christian	far away to make their country rich.	people could move up and down the	through the unit.	Scandinavia and explain why this might
England		and that St Aiden had built a monastery	They had many resources (wood, metal	class system if their actions were classed		have motivated the Vikings to invade
	The Vikings formed the Great Heathen (pg 8) to conquer England	at Lindisfarne.	etc) that were easy to find in Scandinavia	an honourable or not. (pg 2)	Continue to use terms like 'decade' to	England, building on their knowledge of
	- they landed in East Anglia in 865AD and befriended the King	Mara manastarias wara built and thay	but rare in other places.	When they inveded England the Vikings	approximate time periods – Athelstan	the Anglo-Saxons.
	there; in 866AD they attacked York and made it the Viking capital in England – calling it Jonvic.	More monasteries were built and they were often very wealthy. They became a	Like the Saxons, their land was not good	When they invaded England, the Vikings adopted the idea of a monarchy and	became King of England approximately three decades after his grandfather had	
	in England Calling it John Vic.	target of the early Viking raids. (pg 6/7)	for farming. Viking traders often needed	Kings/Queens were added to the top of	first defeated the Vikings.	
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	870AD – all but Wessex (pg 8). In 874AD they tried to invade			,		
	Wessex several times but failed.		Vikings often used their ships to raid	Once Alfred and Athelstan had defeated		
			other places and steal anything of value.	the Vikings, there was a single monarchy		
	King Alfred of Wessex paid the 'danegeld' but in 878AD the Viking			in England. The King made the laws and		
	king attacked anyway. Alfred had to flee but then built a big army		Vikings gained a lot of wealth by making	had to be obeyed. The King had a		
	to fight with. In 878AD he attacked the Viking King Guthrum and		other Kings and leaders in England pay	government to help run the country.		
	defeated him – over time the Vikings were forced back to the		the danegeld – a tax that if paid was			
	north of England around York and East Anglia. Alfred proclaimed King of all the rest of England and is known as Alfred the Great		meant to mean the Vikings would leave your land alone.			
	because he saved England from the Vikings. (pg 8)		your failu alone.			
	Athelstan, Alfred's grandson, became King in 925AD. He was a					
	strong leader and in 927AD he finally defeated the Vikings and					
	became the first King of England. (pg 9)					
	There were further Viking invasions over the 150 years – some					
	were quite successful but for most of the time, there was a Saxon					
	King in England up to 1066. (pg 9/10)					





Possible Teaching Sequences

	Changes In Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age
Week	Lesson focus Lesson focus
1	What do we mean by the Stone Age? Why is it known as 'pre-history'?
1	Know the terms AD/BC and BCE/CE – know that the Stone Age is 'BC'.
	Know that the time of the dinosaurs was long before there were any humans around.
2	How do we know so much about the Stone Age? – Archaeology and Skara Brae thou do we know so much about the Stone Age? – Archaeology and Skara Brae
	Detailed look at Stonehenge and what historians have learned about the Stone Age from the finds there.
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3	Approximate dates for the Bronze Age.
	Know what we mean by the Bronze Age?
	Compare artefacts from the Bronze Age to the Stone Age – understand how learning to use metal made life easier for early Britons.
4	Approximate dates for the Iron Age?
	Know that the people of this time were the Celts
	Know that iron is a much stronger metal (bronze bends and twists easily) so having iron was a big step forward – farming tools/weapons etc all became much better with iron.
	Find out about some of the main inventions of the Iron Age that improved life for Britons.
5	Know that with better farming/technology etc. people no longer needed to be nomadic and settled into large tribes.
	Celtic tribes were led by chieftains (men or women). One of the most important tribes were the Iceni.
	Tribes often fought with each other but they also traded good with each other.
	Know that some Celtic tribes also traded with people in Europe – particularly Gaul. Some British goods were well sought after and were sold as far away as Rome.
6	Compare artefacts and evidence from Celtic settlements with the discoveries from Skara Brae – how has life become changed for the people of Britain? What has stayed the same? Is life better for the Celts compared to their Stone Age ancestors?
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7	Know that the Romans were the first civilisation to build proper roads. (pg.10)
	Know that these roads were an important factor in making Rome wealthy and powerful as they allowed goods, equipment and armies to move relatively quickly.
	Find out about Roman roads in England – note how they were 'straight' and linked important towns together.
	Compare the Roman roads to modern major roads – note that many are the same routes as we use today – this is a legacy of the Roman Empire in Britain.
8	Know that the Romans were great builders and that the towns and cities they built were much more advanced than the Celtic settlements.
	Know that rich Roman citizens (wealthy Celts could become Roman citizens) lived in large villas – many had ornate mosaic floors that tell archaeologists a lot about Roman life – (a primary source). (pg.12)
	Poorer people would have continued living in more traditional dwellings, similar to those used by the Celts before the Romans arrived.
	Know that some Roman buildings have survived (in part) and tell us a lot about life in Britain under the Romans – make a study of a place like Bath.
9	Know that very few Celts could read or write before the Romans came.
	The Romans used Latin and made detailed records of most things that happened in the Empire. (pg.14) Discuss how being able to write gave the Romans an advantage over people like the Celts.
	Know that some Celts began to learn Latin.
	Know that Latin was the official language in England for many years after the Romans left.
	Know that there are many common modern English words that are based on Latin words.
	Know that writing and counting are two of the greatest legacies that the Romans left for Britain and the rest of Europe.
10	Know that Christianity had started to spread around the Empire from about 50AD – cross reference to the meaning of AD/BC.
	Know that for many years the Romans opposed Christianity and Christians were often punished for their beliefs — many were killed.
	Know that Christianity continued to grow and that the Romans gradually accepted it and in 313AD it became the official religion of the Empire rather than the traditional gods. (pg.13)
	Know that Christianity first came to England while the Romans were here – many Celts became Christian although they often mixed it with their traditional beliefs.
11	As the Empire had grown it had become harder to control. Rebellions (like Boudica) became more common in different parts of the Empire – people wanted control of their own lands
	The Romans decided to leave Britain in 410AD because they needed their soldiers to control the Empire on other places.
	When the Romans left, they took much of Britain's wealth with them and left Britain with no leaders.
	The Celtic tribes reformed and began to fight for control of different parts of England.
	The Roman Empire slowly fell to pieces although it took many years before it finally dissolved altogether.
12	Review and assess all the ways the Romans changed Britain.
	Question – did the Romans make Britain a better place?

	The Achievements of the Earliest Civilisations – Ancient Egypt
Week	Lesson focus
1	Understand the term Ancient Society and know that the earliest civilisations emerged in different places around the world. (pg 1) Recognise that these societies didn't know about each other, even when they existed at the same time.
	Research the dates and locations for the main ones – see linked knowledge organiser
	Discover a few key facts about each of them.
	Know that Ancient Egypt was one of these earliest civilisations – locate modern Egypt.
2	Ancient Egypt began to settle as a civilisation around 3000BC – long before the Celts settled in Britain. (pg 2)
	Ancient Egypt was ruled by the Pharaohs who were believed to be half god-half man. (pg 2)
	The Pharaoh was all powerful – his word was the law and couldn't be argued with.
	Egyptian society was very hierarchical – with more than 5 different layers (see knowledge organisers) – people couldn't move between the layer they were born into.
3	Like many ancient civilisations, the Egyptians were polytheists (they believed in many gods) who believed that the gods controlled all aspects of their lives. (pg 2) They believed that bad events (e.g. illness or natural disaster) were punishments for having upset the gods. (pg 4/5)
	Like the early Britons, the Sun God (Ra) was the most important of the gods – Children to pose and/or answer the question: 'Why is the sun so often the most important god in ancient civilisations?' (pg 2)
	Other important gods included Osiris (God Life and Death) and Annubis (God of Death). (pg 2)
	Ancient Egyptians believed that everyone was judged equally by the gods when they died – if they had lived a good life they had the reward of eternal life in the after world – Ma'at (pg 2)
4	Mummification was done to prepare someone for the after world when they had died. Know the process of mummification. (pg 2)
	Know that rich Egyptians would be buried with their possessions so that they had them in the afterlife.
	The first pyramids were built approx. 2700BC. (pg 13 Pyramids were the burial places for the Pharaohs (and their families) although not all had a pyramid built. Pyramids could take as long as 30 years to build and were vast — only the very rich could afford one. Over 100 pyramids
5	can still be seen today. (pg 2)
	Later Pharaohs were buried in the Valley of the Kings.
	Much of what we know about Ancient Egypt comes from artefacts found in the pyramids.
6	Discovery of Tutankhamun's pyramid in 1922 by Howard Carter – the only pyramids discovered with the grave goods still in it. (pg 4)
	Understand the term 'secondary source' before using different information sources as part of guided/independent research on the Howard Carter dig.
	Recognise that the Howard Carter dig was controversial and people's opinions probably influenced what they wrote about him.
7	Know about the life of King Tut – the Boy King.
,	What new things did historians learn from the artefacts in King Tuts pyramid? Know that the finds in the pyramid changed the way historians understood what life ws like in Ancient Egypt.
8	Know that much of Ancient Egypt's wealth and success came from the Nile. (pg 5)
	Know that the way the Nile floods each season made the ground near the Nile fertile and excellent for growing crops.





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	The Viking and Anglo-Saxon Struggle for the Kingdom of England
Week	Lesson focus
1	Locate Norway, Sweden and Denmark – recognise this as Scandinavia – linking to Geography, understand what the climate is like in these countries. Revisit the Anglo-Saxon's reason for invading England – why might the Vikings be interested in coming to England? (pg 1)
	Know that the Vikings came from these countries. Know that the places they came from had plenty of wood/metals etc that other people wanted but the land wasn't good for growing food. (pg 3)
	The Vikings became expert sailors – they traded with different people all over the world to sell their products and to buy the things they needed. (pg 3)
2	The Vikings had their own mythology — like the Anglo-Saxons, they believed in many gods. Recognise from previous work that a society's gods normally reflect the things that are most important to them - what did the Vikings think was important enough to be worshipped or looked
	after by the gods? Does any of this surprised you? (pg 4)
3	Vikings were also very good warriors, who used their expertise in sailing and making ships to raid other lands to steal anything valuable from them.
	Find out about the longships and why they were so good for raiding in.
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4	They began to invade in 865AD, landing in East Anglia where the King welcomed them and made a pact with them. (pg 7)
	In AD866, the Viking attacked York, took the Kingdom of Northumbria and made York their capital in England. (pg 8)
	By 870AD, the Vikings had control of six of the seven Kingdoms – Kings that didn't want to fight and have their lands ravaged had to pay the danegeld.
	In 874AD, the Viking king Guthrum attacked the last Kingdom, Wessex but failed to win it. King Alfred was forced to pay the Danegeld to protect his Kingdom. (pg 8) but Guthrum attacked anyway in 878AD – Alfred had to flee.
5	King Alfred of Wessex slowly built an army strong enough to the on the Vikings with help from people in the other Kingdoms who wanted to get rid of the Vikings,
	In 876 Alfred defeated Guthrum and the Vikings had to retreat to Northumbria and East Anglia – Alfred was accepted as King over the rest of England. (pg 8)
	He is known as Alfred the Great.
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6	In 927, his grandson, Athelstan was King and he finally defeated the Vikings, taking back York and Northumbria. (pg 9)
	Athelstan was the first King of England.
	There were further Viking invasions (pg 10)— occasionally a Viking became King but for most of the next century, England had a Saxon King until 1066.and the Norman Conquest (pg 11)





	Ancient Greece – a study of Greek life and achievements and their influence on the western world.
Week	Lesson focus
1	Use previous understanding of 'Ancient' to estimate what era the Greeks lived in (more in line with the Egyptians that the Vikings) – understand that people lived in Greece for many 1000s of years (like Stone Age in UK) – know that the Ancient Greeks as we know them covers the period of approx. 800BCE to 146 BCE.
	Understand term 'western world' – consider how a society that lived over 2000 yrs ago could influence modern life – to be revisited at the end of the unit.
	Know background facts about Ancient Greece - their trading links to other parts of the world and that they began to expand around the Mediterranean because the geography of Greece makes it difficult to grow enough food for people to live on.
2	Know that Ancient Greece was made up of a series of city-states and that the ones that we know most about are Athens and Sparta. The different city-states often fought each other. (pg 2)
	Study of what life in Athens was like for different groups of people – men, women and children – what characterised society in Athens? (pg 2)
3	Comparison study of what life in Sparta was life for similar groups of people – what characterised society in Sparta? (pg 2) Summarise information to show key differences between the two city-states.
4	Recognise that despite all the differences, there were many things that the different city-states had in common and that they would unite to fight an enemy trying to invade Greece. E.g the Persians
	Recognise language as a common theme – look at the Greek alphabet and recognise how Greek letters are still used in many contexts today (including Covid names). Find familiar words that have Greek origins and group them. (tele-; -ology; -photo- etc). Understand that this is an example of the legacy that the Greeks left – their language has helped shape the English language and most other European languages. Understand the term 'legacy'
5	Know that religion and belief was another uniting factor across the city-states. (pg 3)
	Know the names/roles of the main Greek gods – compare these to the Roman gods studied in Y3 and recognise the similarities; know that Roman society was heavily influenced by the Greeks and use the children's previous knowledge of the Roman Empire to suggest why Greek ideas
6	travelled so far.
	Know that, like the Romans, the Greeks believed that the gods controlled all aspects of life – study some of the ancient monuments like the Parthenon – how do these buildings help us understand how important the gods were to the Greeks?
7	Read and learn some of the famous Greek myths. (pg 6/7) Recognise how myths helped people understand how the gods wanted them to live.
/	Suggest why companies such as Amazon, Hermes and Nike and named after Greek gods. (pg 6) - independent research on these gods and what they were known for. Another example of how Greek thinking is still current in modern society.
8	Know that the Ancient Olympics were held in honour of the gods at Mount Olympus and understand how important these games were to the Ancient Greeks. (pg 4)
	Know what events featured at the Ancient Olympics and that it was almost exclusively men taking part.
	Know that the modern Olympics are inspired by the Ancient Games; make comparisons and know that the Olympic torch carries a flame from Mount Olympus to the place where the games are being held.
9	Know that the Greeks invented democracy and that this was very different to the monarchies that were common in most older societies. (pg 7)
	Find out how Greek democracy worked and recognise that it was only educated men who could take part.
	Know that most western countries, including the UK, are democracies and consider why most people think this is a better form of government than being ruled by a monarch.
10	Know that education and learning was highly valued across most of Greece and that many of the discoveries and ideas of the Ancient Greeks are still important today.
	Explore some of the things that Ancient Greeks discovered/invented/proposed – Aristotle, Hippocrates, Pythagoras etc (pg 8)
11	Draw together the knowledge that has been learned about the Greeks and summarise how much the Ancient Greeks have influenced the modern world. Understand the term legacy – what is the Greek legacy? Is our world a better place because of the Greeks?
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	Crime and Punishment - A Study of an aspect or theme in British history that extends pupils' chronological knowledge beyond 1066.
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	Review the Anglo-Saxon conversion to Christianity and the uniting of England into one Kingdom once the Vikings had been defeated.
	Know that 1066 is a key year in British history – when England was invaded by the Normans. Harold, the last of the Saxon Kings was killed in Battle and William I became King.
	Know that our current monarchy descends from the Normans.
	Know that British history is commonly split into different era based on the monarchy – the Normans; the Tudors; the Stuarts; the Georgians; the Victorians and the modern era.
	Place these on a timeline along with some of the significant figures met in this unit. Timeline to run from 1066 to present and include periods and people studied so far (including KS1) and other significant dates that are meaningful to the children.
	Know that the Normans were also Christians and like the Saxons they believed that controlled all aspects of life – in a trial, God decided who was innocent or guilty – learn about Trial by Ordeal (pg 1,2)
	Know that there were other forms of Trial and Punishment –were these trials fair on everyone?
	Know that the King and other rulers made people pay such high taxes that the poor could barely survive – understand why the legend of Robin Hood became so popular (pg 3,4).
	Know that by Tudor times, the monarchy had become more powerful and determine what the laws were and who ran the courts.
	Know about the 'Star Chamber'
	Know that public execution became even more common and was designed to frighten people into obeying the rules.
	Know that some 'punishments' could be imposed without a court – Brank/Scold (pg. 6)
	Know that people believed the monarch was only answerable to God – so the church remained powerful.
	Henry VIII wanted to change the law to divorce his wife but the Roman Catholic church wouldn't allow it. Henry broke from Rome which meant that he could make his own rules and have control over the church at the same time (pg.7)
	Know that many people thought this was wrong and it caused a big split in the country.
	Know that the monarchy and church together had become even more powerful – this led to new laws and new crimes.
	Find out about the Witch Hunts of Stuarts era (pg. 8)
	Discuss who were worst – the witches or the witch hunters? Are laws always fair?
	Know that after Henry VIII, Roman Catholics were persecuted and their way of worshipping was banned. Know that many people wanted to go back to Rome and were prepared to fight for it.
	Know that this was the main reason behind the Gunpowder Plot – find out about the conspiracy (pg.9)
	Know what treason means. Know that in those days Parliament was made up of important/wealthy people who advised the King on how to run the country.
	Understand that the information that we have about the Gun Powder plot is from the Protestant side (the victors) – discussed whether this is a reliable source of information? Is it fair that Guy Fawkes is just remembered as a traitor? Was the law fair in the first place?
	Know that many people felt that the monarchy had too much power – this led to the English Civil War between the Cavaliers (who wanted parliament to have the power) and the Royalists (who wanted the monarch to stay in charge).
	Know that the Cavaliers won and for a short time there was no monarchy in Britain.
	Know that when the King came back it was agreed that the monarch could only reign with the consent of parliament. From then on, Parliament makes the rules in Britain, not the monarch.
	Although power was now shared amongst the members of Parliament, as most of them were wealthy landowners many of the laws they passed were still unfair – find out about new laws on poaching and smuggling (pg. 10)
)	Know that the Prime Minister leads the ruling party in Parliament.
	Know that the Victorians changed many of the laws in Britain – some made life better for poorer people but punishments were still harsh.
	Know that people were often hanged for quite little things or sent away to do hard labour in another country. Many gaols were built for other crimes but they quickly filled up because there was so much crime.
	Explore what crimes and punishments there were and consider why people were prepared to risk being punished like this.
	Know that Robert Peel was a popular Victorian Prime Minister and that he set up the world's first police force. (pg. 11)
	Compare what has been learned about Crime and Punishment over the years with modern approaches – discuss which is fairer and why? Has democracy meant that justice is better now?





A non-European Society that contrasts with British History: Mayan Civilisation		
Week	Lesson focus Lesson focus	
1	Know that the earliest Mayan civilisations emerged around 2600BCE but didn't reach its peak (the Classical Mayan era) until around 900CE – place this on a timeline alongside the Egyptians and the other periods of history explored in KS2.	
	Know that Mayan society was based in Mesoamerica – mostly on the Yucatan peninsula.	
	Know that a lot of Mayan history was destroyed by Spanish colonialists in the 16th century who thought that anything that wasn't Christian was evil. However, the explorations of Catherwood and Stephens uncovered ancient cities that had been forgotten and this has helped us	
	understand a lot more about Mayan society.	
2	Know that the Mayans were polytheistic and like other societies, they believed that the gods controlled everything and needed to be pleased.	
	Know the names and roles of the important gods – note how gods were often linked to the thing societies most needed – sun/water crops etc. (pg.4)	
	Know that human sacrifice was an important way of pleasing the gods but that the Mayan belief in the afterlife meant that they didn't think that sacrifice meant the end of a person's life.	
	Make contrasts with Egyptian gods and come up with reasons for the similarities and differences.	
3	Know that one of Catherwood and Stephens main discoveries was the pyramid temples.	
	Know that there are two main types of temple and know the differences between these.	
	Find out about what historians have discovered about Mayan culture from what they discovered at these pyramid temple sites.	
	Know that the Mayans also used a system of writing that used hieroglyphs – a few of these were saved by the Spanish but many were destroyed – these also tell us a lot about Mayan life and beliefs.	
4	Know that Mayan society was class based and that you couldn't change the class you were born into.	
	Know that the Mayans had a king who they believed was given to them by the gods.	
	Know that a new family could only rule by getting rid of the old family through war – Mayan cities often fought each other so that they could be in power.	
	Know the names and roles of other divisions in society – what do the different jobs tell us about what the Mayan's thought was important?	
5	Know that the sun and moon were very important to the Mayans – linked to the most important of the gods.	
	Know that the design of the pyramid temples reflects how important the sun was to their beliefs and way of life – pg8	
	Know that they studied the sun, moon and stars in detail to develop their own calendars (compare to our calendar) and to calculate how long a year/lunar month is – know that they were very accurate even though they didn't have the modern equipment we have.	
6	Know that Mayan sports were determined by the gods and designed to keep the gods happy (compare to the Olympics).	
	Know how the Mayan belief in the sun and moon being reborn everyday meant that human sacrifice was needed (pg.9)	
	Find out about the ball courts of Chichen Itza and know that although some games were for fun in other games, the losers were sacrificed to the gods.	

Local Study: Why is Wolfhampcote deserted?	
Week	Lesson focus
1/2	Know that there is a place close to Braunston called Wolfhampcote. To know that people say that it is a deserted village. Visit Wolfhampcote to see if there is any physical evidence (church, gravestones buildings?) that Wolfhampcote was once a village. On return to classroom
	look at aerial photgraphs and evidence that was dug up by archaeologists in 1950s. Look at old maps and by end of session say what the evidence is that Wolfhampcote was once a village.
	Know what period of time Wolfhamcote was a village. What are the middle ages? (Refer back to work on Anglo Saxon Britain). Explain that the middle ages covered a period of time that was 1000 years long so historians have divided it up into parts. (Early Middle ages—Anglo
	Saxons, High – William the Conqueror, plague, Late – War of the Roses). Wolfhamcote was a village in the time known as the 'High' Middle ages, but was probably a village before that too – but we don't have any evidence until the Doomsday Book.
	Why is this the case?
3	To know what life in a medieval village was like. To know that most people who lived in villages in the middle ages were farmers and that their ability to grow crops literally meant survival. Most farming was ridge and furrow farming – find out what this was and why. Was there
	any evidence of this in Wolfhampcote fields? (You can often see the ridge and furrows on land still to this day). To know what a land owner is. To know what a land owner is. To know that peasant is a land owner is. To know that peasant is a land owner is. To know that peasant is a land owner is a land
	children of peasants did not got to school but instead helped their parents farm as soon as they were old enough. To know that every medieval village would have a church and that Christianity was central to the lives of medieval people. To know that medieval villages often had
	fishponds as a stock of fish to eat. To know that in society in Middle ages there was a strict hierarchy – known as the fuedal system.
4	Refer back to the knowledge about medieval villages and apply to Wolfhampcote. Use old medieval map recreations to find out where the manor house was, farm land, fish ponds etc.
	To know that we have information about Wolfhampcote in the Doomsday book (1086). What is the Doomsday book? Why was it important? Who benfitted? To know that Thurkill (Thurchill) was a landowner who owned many villages including Wolfhampcote, He had a manor house in Wolfhampcote. The personal residence has been provided in the p
	house in Wolfhampcote. The peasants paid him taxes because he was TENANT IN CHIEF. Who was living in Wolfampcote in 1086? What were there jobs? Ask historical questions about the source. Is there evidence of land owners and peasants? Is there evidence of the fuedal system?
Ε	Recap on knowledge so far. Remind the children that the two most important things in medieval life were the church and successful farming. Wolfhampcote has a church and is successfully farming (we can see this eveidence in the Doomsday book) So why did the village
J	disappear?
	The Great Famine
	Everyone was affected, from nobles to peasants. Things got so bad in the winter of 1315/1316 that the peasants ate the seed grain they had stored for planting in the spring.
	By 1316 there were even rumours of cannibalism. In their misery and starvation, many people begged, stole and murdered for what little food they could find. Even law-abiding people resorted to criminality in order to feed themselves.
	What is a famine? What might this mean for the people of Wolfhampcote? Know that there was a great famine in 1315 and the effects lasted for years (UNTIL 1322) Know that it rained for many months and crops were completely destroyed for 2 years. Use sources to find out
	what this was like and apply knowledge found to Wolfhampcote and what it must have meant for the peasants. Animals caught diseases that could not be cured. Know that people would have thought the famine was a punishment from god. Many sources exist – not for
	Wolfhamcote but for England in general so they should be used and applied to Wolfhampcote.
6	To know that in 1349 the black death or the 'plague' arrived in Britain. Know what the black death was and how people were affected. Know that the people of Wolfhampcote would have been recovering from the famine when the plague hit the village.
	Use sources to find out about the plague and apply to Wolfhampcote.
7	Why was Wolfhampcote deserted? Use evidence gained to write own account of why – using knowledge gained over the course of this study. Identify continuity and change within a period.





Give reasons for aspects of life to change or continue.

Parish records of 1517 Wolfhampcote 'Ruinam Positam' (Ruined and deserted). 8 people still lived there and they left to find better villages and better farmland. Include a chronological time line that shows first reference in 1086 in doomsday book and shows the passing of time (hundreds of years) between events.