

History at Menston Primary School

At Menston Primary School our history curriculum enables pupils gain a coherent knowledge and understanding of Britain's past and that of the wider world. History allows children to compare and contrast, to examine how and why things have changed, to learn about historical characters and expand their research skills. We want them to understand how people have lived in the past and compare this to modern life as well as to consider how events and people from history have changed the lives of British people. We teach children to be open minded and enquiring thinkers who understand cause and effect.

We link our History topics closely to other subjects including literacy, geography and ICT.

We support our history curriculum through visits, visitors and handling artefacts. Such valuable experiences have included:

- Visits from grandparents to share life experiences
- Dressing up in clothes from the 1950's
- A Coronation Party
- An architecture workshop – Roman Temples
- A Greek workshop at the Yorkshire Museum



Y2 experience school in the 1950's



Y1 comparing old toys at Abbey House Museum

Our visits and visitors bring history to 'life.'

We have a strong drive to improve achievement and maintain high standards in history teaching for all our pupils at Menston Primary School.

History Leader

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