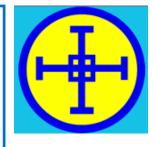
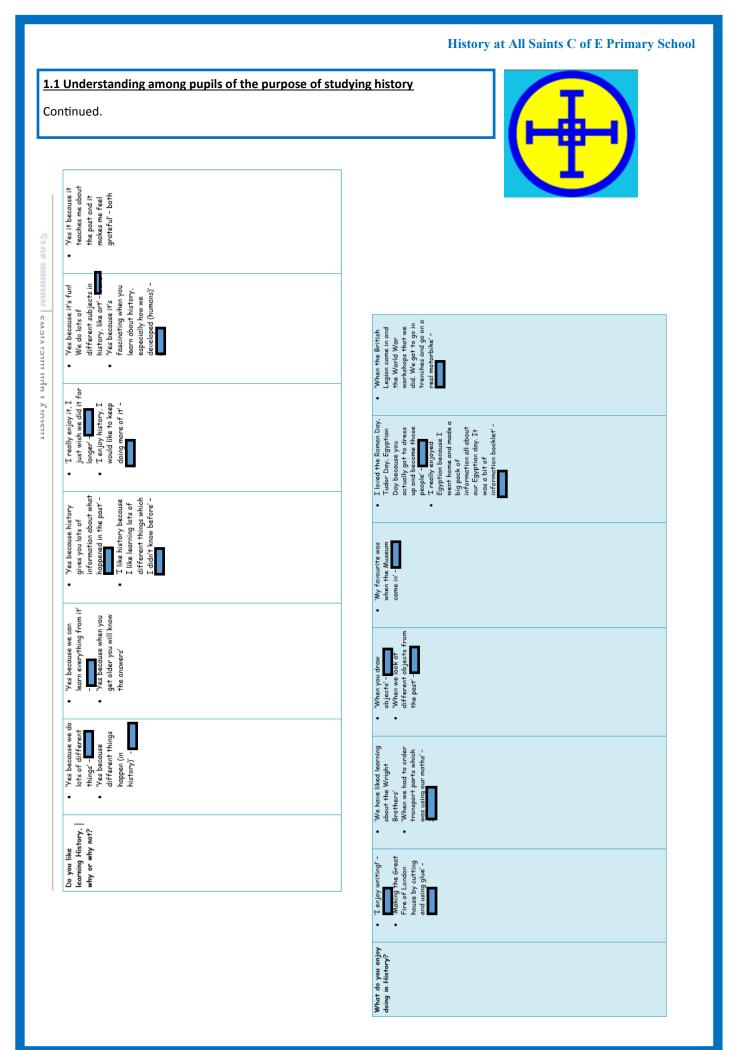
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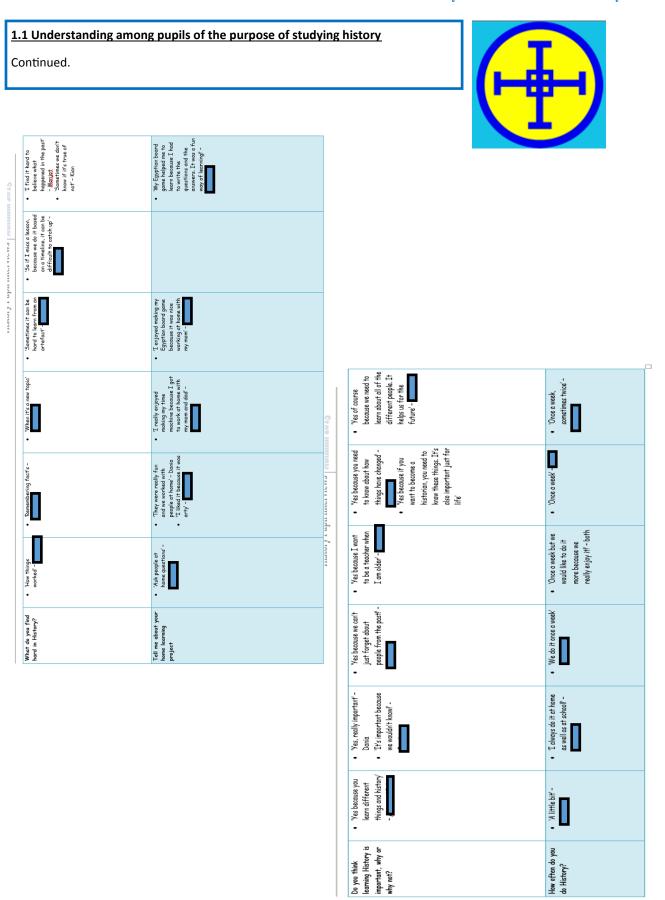
1.1 Understanding among pupils of the purpose of studying history

Subject leaders at All Saints Primary School often hold pupil interviews as part of the monitoring process. Therefore here is a screen grab of the questions and responses the History Co-ordinator asked a cross-section of children from each year group. Whilst most answers were age related responses, some children were unclear or didn't use historical terminology instinctively. Responses from the children highlighted areas that needed to be developed and this was fed back to staff during CPD.



Year 6 -	hat • It's what has the happened in the past. e Somethines it can be a something that has oth become famous' -	ot - For example, we can ened learn about what this to happened and how it happened, what was here if things we were different, learn ned in we are today - both us in we are today - both	We use books, pictures, writing, video clips, objects, portraits, maps' - s and both can
Year 5 -	 "It's something that has happened in the past and it can be remembered on a certain date" - both 	 We can learn a lot about what happened in the past. Sometimes we can then use this to help us learn in the future' termines things that have happened in the future' termines to help us in the future'. 	 "We can use the internet as a source' - "We use lots of sources like books and the internet. You can do it practically' - """
Year 4 -	 Things that we can learn about from a long time ago'	 What people were like and what they did in the past and why they did it' - 	 "From different sources' - Hources' "Sources like pictures, clips, books, maps, objects, the ground" -
Year 3 -	 It's when you learn about the Romans or what has happened in the past⁴ 	• 'We can learn facts from what happened'-	Pictures' - Objects' - TV - TV -
Year 2 -	 It's like a history book It tells you about things that happened a long time ago - 	• "What happened a long time ago' -	 To the books it tells you all about what happened a long time ago' -
Year 1 -	 "How things work' - 	 Lots of different things, things that you haven't done before' - 	 "Looking at videos and pictures" -
+++	What is 'history'?	What can we learn from history?	How do we learn about history?





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These are extracts from lesson observations where the skills being taught are history focused or the lessons driven by history. The feedback highlights the motivation and understanding of the children in the lessons.



Screen grabs from a lesson observation feedback form. This lesson took place with a year 2 class where they were recounting a Tudor Feast based on their recent visit to a local Tudor house—The Oak House situated within our local area, West Bromwich.

ich and creative. The class room is welcoming and well organised and resources are selected and presented to engage and motivate learners. Your LSP is given the role of bringing in the sealed invitation to the Tudor feast which sets a context to imagining what it would be like and your "time portal" which allows them to travel back to 1490. Children have pomanders, pies, candles, goblets and herbs to stimulate ideas and language which ly on their vocabulary choices. You use video footage of a Tudor feast which appeals to visual learners and the soundtrack of Tudor music also creates an atmosphere that takes the ch an unfamiliar setting which they can begin to make sense of. The recent phase trip to Oak House also helps and is referred to and again children can make connections between the house they walked around and the footage you are showing them and this helps to transport them to a different time and place. Whilst the footage is playing you provide a very good quality commentary which sets the scene and tells the story of the feast and the entertainment. As you deliver the commentary you draw learners in and encourage them to develop tier describing skills e.g. "look at that dress Lydia- can you describe it to me? Look at that roast chicken- smell the chicken-take a big bite of the chicken now grab your tigg and pass it around." By using your own experience of Oak House and your Tudor subject knowledge you are able to model attention to detail, description and lay with language which is what you expect the children to do for themselves. Children are highly engaged by this and are heard to ask to watch it again as they enjoy it. Later they are seen to use this experience to support their writing which demonstrates the impact of good quality resources being used well. The table top resources

General Progress:

Children make very good progress because activities are progressive and support independent writing well. Group targets are clear and reinforced throughout.

Teacher subject knowledge is secure of both recounts and The Tudor topic so able to provide good quality, stimulating commentary and questions throughout to shape ideas. The rainbow strategy is used well and is a quick, motivating and effective method to generate

Children are very motivated and inspired to write. They are mature and co-operate with each other well. The imaginative approach to the lesson allows them to role play and think of themselves in Tudor Britain and what it might be like to experience that time. Children are supported in taking responsibility for their learning and using tools and tips to help themselves.

Children are highly engaged, captivated and motivated. You ask things

Screen grab from a lesson observation feedback form. This lesson took place with a year 3 class where they were questioning the reliability of sources. The feedback shows that the children were motivated and engaged in their learning. When they were questioned about their learning the majority were able to articulate **what** they were learning, **why** they were learning it and **how** they were going to learn within the lesson.

Elements which promote effective learning

- Resources are selected to capture interest, make clear teaching points and allow the children to practice and apply the intended skills.
- High expectations throughout.
- Pupil talk is rich and opportunities for them to work together, practice key skills and make their own choices are plentiful.
- You are clear and focused on the skills you want them to practice and apply (critical thinking, questioning, analysing, debating and reasoning) and so select activities well and use questions well.
- Constantly referring to the skills you are looking for so children know what they have to demonstrate to be successful.
- You adjust your lesson to match the flow of the lesson, to capitalise on the learning and respond to pupil needs. It is right to change direction and abandon the "letter writing" activity to keep promoting the skills rich learning that you have.
- Children have the time to practice and apply key skills.
- Teacher feedback is of good quality and it informs pupil's choices.