

## <u>Intent Statement – History</u>

At Farnsfield St Michael's, History is taught mainly through a topic based approach. We teach children to become open minded and enquiring thinkers. We work together to provide stimulating workshops within school and also first hand experiences in the local and wider environment.

From the Early Years children are taught the importance of their families and where they come from. As children move through school they will learn and develop key skills in order to ask questions and seek answers about the past. They can find information using a variety of historical sources, assessing their validity and drawing their own conclusions. Children are encouraged to seek out evidence and find clues left by those who came before us. They explore the history of their community before branching out to the wider locality, Britain and the world. Chronology is key to understanding the lives of historical people and the impact that we still see in the modern world.

Children also learn key facts about significant people and events from the past, broadening their knowledge and applying their skills as historians. Older children will ask questions about the lessons learned from the past, both good and bad, and how they can use these to make an impact in the future.

We enhance our classroom based learning through visits, workshops and residential experiences.