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Raddlebarn's Curriculum

Newsletter: History



Welcome back!

It was a busy half term for history during Autumn 1, with many year groups kick-starting the school year with a history topic. Year 1 have been exploring Significant Figures, Year 3 The Stone Age, Year 5 Ancient Greece and Year 6 World War 2. Years 1, 5 and 6 have been fortunate enough to experience a history trip or enjoy a visit from Timezone — more about this later! In addition to this, we've had our whole school focus on Black History Month. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the topics covered and their teachers are proud of their efforts.



It has been such a long time since we were able to hold a Parent Workshop, so Year 6 were thrilled to invite family members to join them for a History lesson about WW2 Propaganda. Parents worked with their children to create WW2 propagandas posters. It was a real treat to connect with our families again in this way and doing this through History made it extra special!



Black History – More than a month.

At Raddlebarn the teaching of diversity is present within our history curriculum and developed further each year. During October, we shine a spotlight on Black History, but this doesn't mean it has been squeezed into one month; teacher's at Raddlebarn are continuing to diversify the curriculum for all our pupils. Black History has been woven into our current areas of study to ensure that a natural flow of inclusive history is experienced across the school. Let's hear from our class teachers:

Nursery have been learning about the artist Alma W Thomas.

Reception have enjoyed reading the book Clean Up, focussing on how to look after the world.

Year 1 have been learning about Mary Seacole, Katherine Johnson and Marcus Rashford as part of their Significant Figures topic.

Year 2 have gained an insight into Alice Coachman as part of their PE lessons.

Year 3 have been learning about Jacob Lawrence as part of their art topic.

Year 4 have been enjoying poetry by Benjamin Zephaniah as part of their English work.

Year 5 have been listening to music by Ella Fitzgerald and learning more about her life.

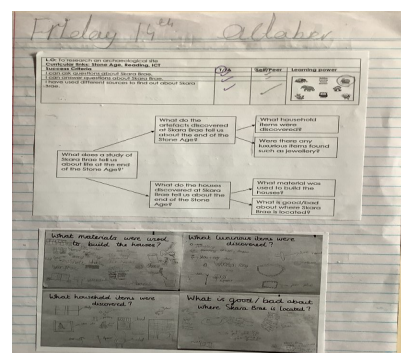
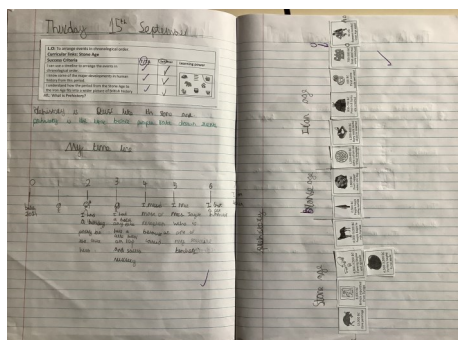
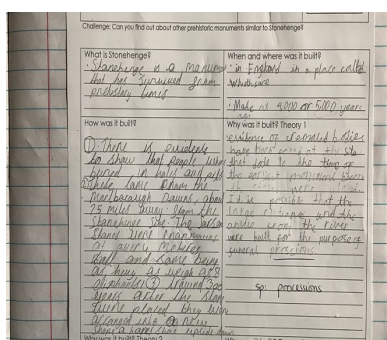
Year 6 have been learning about the Tuskegee Airman, they were the very first African-American aviators during WW2. They were highly skilled and were officially recognised for their services by Barack Obama.

A snapshot of History during the Autumn Term.

Year 1 have been learning about Significant Figures from the past and how they have shaped our world. The children also visited Soho House and were able to learn more about Mary Seacole and what life was like for her during the Crimean War.



Year 3 have been investigating what life was like during The Stone Age. Here are some examples of the enquiry work carried out. Well done Year 3!



Year 5 became Greeks for the day and were given the opportunity to learn more about Ancient Greece through the travelling historian team—Timezone! Children got to experience what life was like during battle of Sparta and Athens. They also enjoyed playing with games invented during this time and some of them were very familiar!



Year 6 have been exploring World War 2, they've carried out historical enquiries on how the war started, impact of the Blitz, roles of women during the war as well as the contributions made by the Tuskegee Aviators. The children also visited the Blitz Museum in Coventry. Here, they learnt about life during the war and how Coventry was a prime target during the Blitz. Children looked closely at the ruins of the old Cathedral and the stories they tell.

