

Foundation subject planning overview: history 2024-25

Year	Key text	Unit/key question
6	The story of the first World War John Malam 	What was life like for soldiers during WW1? 
4 enquiry questions		
- What were the [main] causes of WW1? - How do we know what life was like in the trenches like? (Primary sources)		- What impact did new technology have on WW1? - What effect did WW1 have on Chalford Hill?
Prior learning		Future learning
- Evacuation - Causes of WW2 (Y5) - Victorians – Wilfred Hale (Y2) - Significant people in history (Y2)		- How should we remember the British Empire? (Y6) - Bristol Bus Boycott – what would you have done? (y6) + KS3 – WW1
What children need to know or do to be secure		
Essential knowledge: - I can describe changes that have happened in the locality of the school throughout history - I can handle or examine artefacts from the past (including replica) to make careful observations & identify changes between then and now. - I can describe the main changes in a period of history (using terms such as: social, religious, political, technological and cultural). Core knowledge – I will: - Know some of the main causes for the First World War - Understand that we know a lot about life in the trenches because of primary sources (diaries, letters and recorded interviews) - Understand the impact of technology on the course of ww1 (tanks, machine guns, planes) - Know that many young men from Chalford Hill (and surrounding villages) were called up and killed during WW1 Hinterland knowledge – I may be taken further and know that: - Their experiences influenced many young men to write poems that captured the horror of trench warfare - The end and aftermath of WW1 contributed to the start of WW2 just 21 years later - Men from across the British commonwealth fought for the allies during WW1		

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- That poisonous gas was used for the first time in warfare

Key vocabulary

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• trench• mechanisation• barbed wire• armistice | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• shells• machine gun• 'Tommy'• bayonet | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 'no mans land'• Kaiser / Tsar• Bi-plane• Memorial / remembrance |
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Common misconceptions

- That WW1 only involved Britain and Germany
- That Hitler was ruling Germany at the time of WW1
- That the soldiers could talk to each other using radios
- That only men who were in the army already had to fight
- That all men who fought in WW1 were 17 or older