

# HISTORY

*History provides identity, improves our decision making and judgement and gives context to help us to understand ourselves and others. It teaches us how to learn from mistakes and the changes that happen in society. History gives us a sense of identity within our social, political, cultural and economic relationships and we aim for children to begin to recognise this for themselves.*

*At Woodlands, we strive for children to learn about their personal history, their local history, historical events and significant people and the impact this has on their own lives and world. The history curriculum should inspire children's curiosity about the past and how this has influenced the present.*

We develop the following essential characteristics of historians at Woodlands:

- An excellent knowledge and understanding of people, events and contexts from a range of historical periods and concepts.
- The ability to think critically about history and communicate efficiently.
- The ability to think, reflect, debate and discuss the past.
- A passion for history and enthusiasm for the subject
- A respect for historical evidence