Year 2 History Curriculum Overview					
Term	Autumn	Spring	Summer		
Year Group Theme	PEOPLE	EXPLORE	CONNECTIONS		
Subject Focus	Significant people in history-their legacy and influence on today's society (World/UK/Thetford & Norfolk) (Monarchy-queens and kings)				
Essential Questions/ Key concepts	What can we find in our town? Has it always been like this? Legacy and influence-changes/inspiration/personal qualities/overcoming odds Monarchy-power-constitution and government-absolute power-divine right				
National curriculum-knowl edge and skills	-the lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements. Some should be used to compare aspects of life in different periods -significant historical events, people and places in their own locality. -Chronology and the measurement of time				
Spark, Trips, Visitors, events	Ancient House-role play/hot-seating				

Hope Kindness Forgiveness Aspiration Love Courage Trust Respect Friendship

Diversity/PSHE links	Significant figures from ethnic minorities or the developing world as well as UK	
Maestro/Cross- curricular links	Movers and Shakers, Magnificent Monarchs	
Key vocabulary	Absolute power, BC/AD/BCE/CE, feudal system, monarchy, government, head of state, hierarchy, parliament, reign, sovereign, discover, monument, statue, plaque, protest, significant, (some dependent on individuals)	
Skills progression	 2a I can describe some features, events, people and themes from the past 2b I can sequence a few events, objects or pieces of information on a timeline 3c1 I can use some "historical period" terms. 3c2 I can also use "century", "decade", "BC"/"BCE", "AD"/"CE" 2d I can point out some similarities and differences between aspects of my life and the life of people in the period I am learning about 2e I can point out some similarities and some differences between the ways of life different people living at the time I am learning about 2f I can make some comments about why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result 2h I can use information from more than one source in my answers 2i I can talk about some of the different ways that the past is recorded/represented [I can name some types of things which tell us about the past] 	

	2j I can make labelled drawings, tables and	
	write sentences, speak (including in drama)	
	and use ICT to show my ideas	
Dries knowledge	Who are/were these people? What do you	
	know about them? Why are they	
	important?	
Prior knowledge	Who was the Queen? What happened	
check	when she died? Who is the King? What	
	does he do? Why is he important to the	
	country? What is a coronation?	
	By the age of 7:	
	Tell me about some people from when you	
	were little	
	Who do you know who is old?	
	Do you know a story from the past?	
	What is the same and what is	
	different about these two	
Assessment	pictures? Why did these people	
	do this/act like that?	
	How do we know this a long	
	time ago? How long ago was	
	this? · How do we know things	
	about the past?	
	How can you find out about the past?	
	Can you show me what you know about	
	?	