

Knowledge Organiser: History

Year 1 Term 1.1

Important Topic Vocabulary

past – This is something that has already happened.

present – This is something that is happening now.

baby – A very young child who has just been born.

toddler – A young child that is learning to walk and talk.

Brilliant Books



Lost in the Toy Museum: An Adventure - David Lucas

Toys and Games – Sally Hewitt

Going to School Comparing Past and Present – Rebecca Rissman

Suggested Activities

Talk to your grandparents about the toys they used to play with and about what school was like when they were a child.

Play some games from the past, for example: hop scotch, elastics, skipping, tag, conkers or sing nursery rhymes.

Schools in the Past

- Children sat in rows at their desks
- The teacher stood at the front of the classroom and wrote on a blackboard with chalk.
- Children had lots of lessons in reading, writing and arithmetic (maths).
- Children would learn facts by repeating them over and over again until they knew them off by heart.
- As part of their uniform, boys had to wear short trousers for school and girls had to wear a skirt or a dress.
- There were strict punishments for children if they were not following the rules. Children would be hit on the back of their hand with a ruler.
- Nurses used to visit schools so that they could check children were healthy. The nurses also checked children's hair for nits.
- The dentist would also visit to check that children were keeping their teeth clean and healthy.



A classroom in the past.



If children were caught talking, they had to write lines.



Nurses checking children's hair and teeth.

What should I already know?

I should know that babies play with rattles and teethers.

I should know that toddlers play with stacking cups, building blocks, shape sorters, feely books and pull along toys.

I should be able to say if a toy is old or new.

Useful Websites

https://www.theschoolrun.com/homeworkhelp/history-toys

http://www.windowsonwarwickshire.org.uk/s potlights/toysandgames/index.htm

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zcjmtfr

Toys children play with now

Babies

- Babies like to put things in their mouth so their toys have big parts so they do not swallow them.
- Baby toys are usually made out of materials like fabric or plastic.
- These materials are easy to clean, light and the fabric is soft.

Toddlers

- Toddlers are learning to walk so they like to play with toys that move.
- They also like puzzles and things they can figure out, like stacking rings.
- These toys are made out of wood and plastic because these materials are easy to clean, light and do not break easily



Children

- Children like to use their imaginations to act out scenes and might use dolls or action figures to do this.
- They might also like to build things using toys which have smaller parts.
- Many children have electronic devices that they like to play games on.
- Children are old enough and strong enough to learn how to ride a bike.
- They can also learn to play games that have rules because they understand how to follow them.



Toys in the past

- When grandparents were children, they might have played with dominoes, marbles, hula hoops, matchbox cars, jacks and pogo sticks.
- In the past, children spent lots of time playing outdoors on their bikes or scooters.
- They would also play games outdoors like hopscotch, football, skipping, tag and hide and seek.



Children riding scooters.

