Enquiry Curriculum:

History



Year 1/2	How was life different in the time of Queen Elizabeth I and Queen Elizabth II?	Why is space travel so important?	Was Sir Francis Drake a pioneer or pirate?
Cycle A	 What is a monarch? Who was Queen Elizabeth II? How can I find out more information about Queen Elizabeth II? (writing questions/interview) Who was Elizabeth I? What was life like during Queen Elizabath I reign? (Tudor day) What are the similarities and differences between Elizabth I and Elizabeth II reign? Answer the big question. 	 Why is space travel so important to humans? Who was the first person to travel to the moon and how did they travel there? What happened on the moon? Who has travelled to space in recent history? Who is Tim Peake and why is he important? What are the similarities and differences between Tim Peake and Neil Armstrong? Answer the big question. 	 How do people travel from one country to another when there is an ocean/sea in the way? How have boats changed over time? Who was Sir Fracis Drake and why should we remember him? Why is he an important figure in Plymouth? What was lifelike on board the Golden Hinde? Why is trade important to Plymouth? Answer the big question.
Year 1/2 Cycle B	Was Guy Fawkes a hero or a villain?	Who is Grace Darling?	What was the Great Fire of London and why did it spread so quickly?
	 Who ruled Britain in the early 1600's and what was it like to live then? Who were Protestants and Catholics? What was the Gunpowder plot and who was involved? What is treason and how did this play a part in the Gunpowder plot? What is the real reason we celebrate Bonfire Night? Why do we have fireworks? Answer the big question 	 How does the lighthouse of Alexandra compare to Smeaton's tower? How have lighthouses changed over time? Who was Grace Darling? Why did Grace Darling act the way she did? Did Grace Darling believe she carried out the brave rescue on her own? How do we know about Grace Darling's actions which happened so long ago? How did sea rescue improve because of Grace Darling's story? Answer the big question 	 When was the Great Fire of London? How did the fire start and why did the fire spread so quickly? Who was King Charles II and why did people listen to him? What was it like to live in London at the time of the plague? Who was Samuel Pepys and why is he famous today but not famous then? How did they try to stop the fire? How did things change after the Great Fire of London? Answer the big question

Year 3/4	Why were the Romans so powerful and what did we learn from them?	Who were the Anglo Saxons invaders and what impact did they have on Britain?	Who were the Viking invaders and what impact did they have on Britain?
Cycle A	 Who were the Romans and when did the Romans rule? (chorology/timelines) What was life like in Roman Britian? Why did the Romans want to invade Britian? Why was the Roman army so powerful? Who was Hadrian and why did he build a wall? What was so special about Boudicca? What have the Romans done for us? Answer main question. 	 Who were the Romans and why did the roman empire fall in Britain? Who were the Anglo-Saxons and why did they invade? What was life like in Anglo Saxon Britain? (settlements, houses, villages, social class) What did the Anglo Saxons do for fun (art/culture) What did Anglo-Saxon's believe? (religion/faith) How was Anglo-Saxon Britain ruled? How did the country change over time? (Kingdoms) Trip to Anglo-Saxon – Dartmoor	 How were the Anglo Saxon and Vikings different? When and where did the Vikings live? (chronology/timelines) What was life like for the Vikings? Why are Vikings known as Invaders and why were they successful? What the struggle between the Anglo Saxons and Vikings and how were they different. Just how great was King Alfred? Who ruled Britain at the time of Vikings? (Danelaw)
Year 3/4	What were the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age?	Why were the ancient Egyptians so important to us today?	Who has made significant impact on exploration in recent History?
Cycle B	 When was the Stone Age and Iron age? (timeline/chronology) What did a day in the life of a Stone Age family look? How can primary and secondary sources help us? (cave paintings. What can learn about life at this time from studying Skara Brae? Was Stone Age man simply a hunter and gatherer, concerned only with survival? What things changed from Stone Age to Iron Age? (farming, trade, settlements) Why did hill forts become important? Answer main question. 	 Who were the Ancient Egyptians and when did they live? What does evidence tell us about everyday life in ancient Egypt. What did the Ancient Egyptians believe about life after death and how do we know? What secrets of Ancient Egypt are revealed by the pyramids? Who was Howard Carter and why was he important? What did Ancient Egypt have in common with other civilisations from that time? (Indus Valley, Sumer, Shang Dynasty) Answer main question. 	 Why has exploration been important for humans? How can a timeline be used to show the history of exploration? Who is Mae Jemison? Who is Ellen MacArthur? Who is Amelia Earhart? Who is Antony Jinman? Who is David Attenborough? Answer main question.

Year 5/6	How was Plymouth impacted by the second world war?	How has the Greek legacy impacted on the world we live in today?	Was the British Empire beneficial to Victorian Britain?
Cycle A	 What was World War 2 and when did it happen? (timeline) – Chronology Why did it start? – Cause & Consequence What was the Blitz and how did it impact on Plymouth? Historical significance Why was it necessary for children to be evacuated? (DT links Anderson shelter) What were the roles of men and women during the war? – Historical Interpretation What was the impact of WW2 on people in Plymouth? Trip to HMS Harrowbeer	 When and where did the Ancient Greeks live? (timeline and key events) What was life like in the Ancient Greek times? Can I identify similarities and differences between Sparta and Athens? Why were Gods and Goddesses important to the Ancient Greeks? What have the Ancient Greeks done for us? How did the Olympics begin? How has the Greek legacy impacted on the world we live in today? 	 Who was Queen Victoria and when did she reign? (chronology, family tree) What is the British Empire and how did it change over time? (2 lessons?) What were the achievements and advancements during Victorian Britian? What was the industrial revolution? (links to mass production and trade) How did the class system divide the rich and poor? (links to main question – depends on who you were) Answer main question
Year 5/6	Which explorer impacted the world the most and why?	Why should we remember the Maya?	What makes a good historical researcher?
Cycle B	 When were different explorers alive and what were their achievements? (timelines) Can we use primary and secondary sources to research an explorer? (class in 3 groups) What was is the importance of exploration to? What are the similarities and differences between the 3 explorers? What is the impact of each explorer on the scientific advancement? What are the similarities and differences? (shn show their understanding – chn choice – allow 2 lessons if needed) 	 When and where did the Mayan live? What was it like to live in the Mayan time? What made the Mayan's successful? (the number system, writing system, calendar) How was the Maya ruled? Can I compare the Ancient Maya with any other ancient civilisation? Why did the Maya collapse? Answering the big idea. 	 What are the Thornbury History themes? How can I research effectively? How can I present my findings? (x2 lessons) How can I share my findings with my peers? Answering the big idea.