



Primary Forest School

Online Learning – KS1 History Activities

Activity	Resources Required	Potential Risks	Impact
Local history - How has your local park changed in the last year?	Visit to a local park	Contact with harmful objects	Children think about the changes in very recent history
Medieval Times - Build a castle	Mud	Germs in mud	Children use different media to be creative
Tudors - Make a sword	Sticks Twine/raffia/rope Hammer & nails	Sword play can be dangerous Sharp edges Watch fingers if using hammers	Children act out times from history
Victorians – Make a newspaper kite	Newspaper (or any type of paper) Sticks (thin) String/twine Scissors Tape	Scissors are sharp Rope burns	Children appreciate toys that require nature

The important bit for parents and teachers... but you can have a sneak peek at the activities too!

Local history - How has your local park changed in the last year?

Can you remember what your park was like in the Summer? What is different about it now?

Has the grass changed?



Have the trees or bushes changed size or colour?
What about fruits?



Are the leaves any different?



History isn't just about what happened a long time ago. It can be recent changes too

Medieval Times - Build a castle

Castles can be found all over the United Kingdom. Some have now fallen down and are **ruins** but others are still around in all their glory!



Depending on where you live, can you make your own castle out of mud or sand?
Will it have towers? A drawbridge? A moat?

Alnwick Castle in the North of England is where Harry Potter was filmed!



Tudors - Make a sword

The Tudors couldn't make guns quickly and easily, so they fought with hand weapons such as swords, daggers and maces.

Find 2 sticks – one short and one long.

Place the short one across the long one as a hand protector.

Sword fighting with real, wooden swords can be dangerous. It's better to use it on an inanimate object



Using either hammer and nails or twine, connect the short piece to the long stick.

It's that simple!

Victorians – Make a newspaper kite

The Victorians made their own toys from the materials they had around them

Take 2 thin sticks and place in a cross. Lash them together with string or twine



Create an outer shape using the string



Cut newspaper to be 2" bigger than the kite. Fold over and tape. Attach string to the cross stick and tie together in the middle. At this knot, add a long string that you will hold when the kite is flying



How did you get on?

What was your favourite activity from this pack?



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