

Children and History

Awareness of history for a child begins with awareness of himself within the bounds of time. A young child lives in the immediate moment. Entering pre-school where there is a set time away from home and a structured routine, as well as set days for certain activities gives an initial awareness of the passing of time. As we chart the days of the week, the months and seasons, time awareness becomes part of daily life.

By examining their own time line from birth to present, then looking at their family tree, children gain their first sense of history. Children are fascinated with stories of famous people who lived before their time.

These topics all bring to life the concept of time stretching way back, and the possibility of it going forward to the unknown.

The Main Themes under History are:

- The Calendar
- Seasons
- My Day” Sequence Activity
- My Family Tree
- Birthday Celebrations
- Time Line of Child’s Life
- Stories of Famous People

