Subject: History Term: Summer Year Group: 3

## **Prior Learning**

Children have learnt about Prehistoric Britain from 12000-500BC (approx.).

Children have learnt about the Romans from 40AD – 410AD.





## Early Civilisations

## **Key Facts**

- Early civilisations built monuments and temples to worship their gods as far back as 10000BC.
- The wheel was first invented around 4000BC and was initially used as a potter's wheel.
- Ancient Egyptians built pyramids as tombs for when their pharaohs died.
- Sumerians invented writing which started out as pictures and then became symbols. The used writing for trade and telling stories.









## **Vocabulary**

**Ancient Sumer**—the first great civilisation.

**Indus Valley**—civilisations grew up around the Indus river.

**Shang Dynasty**—one of China's first civilisations.

**Ancient Egypt**—a civilisation that grew up around the banks of the River Nile.

**Pyramids**— tombs for when pharaohs died.