Knowledge, Skills and Understanding Breakdown						
Year 2						
Chronological understanding	Knowledge and interpretation	Historical enquiry				
Can they use words and phrases	• Can they recount the life of	 Can they find out something 				
like: before I was born, when I	someone famous from Britain	about the past by talking to an				
was younger?	who lived in the past giving	older person?				
• Can they use phrases and words	attention to what they did earlier	 Can they answer questions by 				
like: 'before', 'after', 'past',	and what they did later?	using a specific source, such as				
'present', 'then' and 'now'; in	• Can they explain how their local	an information book?				
their historical learning?	area was different in the past?	• Can they research the life of a				
• Can they use the words 'past'	• Can they recount some	famous person from the past				
and 'present' accurately?	interesting facts from an	using different resources to help				
• Can they use a range of	historical event, such as where	them?				
appropriate words and phrases to	the 'Fire of London' started?	• Can they research the life of				
describe the past?	• Can they give examples of	someone who used to live in their				
• Can they sequence a set of	things that are different in their	area using the Internet and other				
events in chronological order and	life from that of their	sources to find out about them?				
give reasons for their order?	grandparents when they were					
	young?					
	 Can they explain why Britain 					
	has a special history by naming					
	some famous events and some					
	famous people?					
	• Can they explain what is meant					
	by a parliament?					