

Memory Box

Imaginative learning project for year 1



Can you remember being small? Being a baby and learning to crawl? Do you recall a favourite toy, maybe a teddy bear or a favourite book? Look back at family photos of special occasions, perhaps holiday snapshots or a birthday or two. Remember a wedding or a christening and find a funny photo of your parents when they were young. Learn how to write a diary of days gone by and find out about the days before you were born. Then make a special box, a memory box, to keep special things safe. In years to come, you can revisit them and remember how you looked when you were young. Memories are special. Let's make some more!

History Focus. Key Facts.

- **Chronology is a way of sequencing past events in the order that they happened. Ordering events on a timeline can help us to remember them.**
- **Many things change over time. Transport, toys and technology are examples of things that are likely to change as time goes on**
- **People change as they grow older. Pictures of people at different times in their lives show the changes as you age.**
- **All living things have a life cycle.**
- **Celebrations are special events when people may go to parties, give gifts or have time off school or work. Celebrations can be for religious or cultural reasons.**

Key Vocabulary

- ⇒ **Artefact: an object from the past**
- ⇒ **Birthday: a celebration of the day when a person was born**
- ⇒ **Diary: a book where a person writes what they think or what has happened to them**
- ⇒ **Generation: people of a similar age who have lived through the same time**
- ⇒ **Memory: something remembered from the past**
- ⇒ **Museum: a building where important objects from the past are displayed**
- ⇒ **Relative: a family member**

Homework Projects

- ◆ **Make a family tree showing all your family members with photographs or drawings. Talk about the relationships between yourself and each family member**
- ◆ **Write down your birthday memories, including details and pictures of favourite presents or parties**
- ◆ **Find out the birthday dates of your friends and family members. Do any of them share the same birthday month?**
- ◆ **Make a scrapbook with photos of the people in your family, including your parents and grandparents. Write sentences about the things you like doing with them. Perhaps you could include tickets from events you have been to or cards they have sent you.**