



St. Francis Xavier's RC Primary School

History Unit Guidance and Formative Assessment

Year Group:	Year 2 Autumn	Subject:	History
Unit:	Florence Nightingale	Prerequisite Learning and Curriculum Links	EYFS ELG Past and Present Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society; know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class; understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling. Year 1 Life in the past Curriculum Links in Current Year Group: Writing a fact file and diary entry
ROCKS (Remembering Our Curriculum Knowledge and Skills)			
Rich women in her time were expected to marry a rich husband and stay at home to look after the children and the household, but that Florence Nightingale didn't want to do this. She believed that God wanted her to help other people, so she defied her parents and trained as a nurse. Florence Nightingale was determined to be a nurse, even though it went against her parents and the expectations of everyone she knew.			
In 1854, the Crimean War broke out – a war with Britain, France and Turkey on one side, and Russia on the other. Florence and 38 other nurses set off for the hospital in Scutari, Turkey on 21st October 1854. Florence lead a team of nurses treating injured soldiers.			
During the Crimean War, more soldiers died in hospital than they did on the battlefield. Most deaths resulted from diseases or infections caused by the poor conditions. Florence Nightingale knew that it was important to keep everything as clean as possible. They cleaned the ward and made sure that the bed linens were washed well. She insisted that wounds were washed with a clean cloth and that the cloth must not be used for more than one soldier without being washed in between. She employed workers to clear the blocked drains and made sure that the men had clean drinking water and better toilet facilities.			
In 1860, she established the Nightingale Training School for Nurses at St Thomas' Hospital in London. This was the first official training school for nurses and was the founding of modern nursing. In the same year, she also published a book called 'Notes on Nursing' which is still in print today. This book described Florence's ideas about keeping hospitals clean and hygienic as well as discussing what kind of food patients should be given, how to manage hospitals and what kind of beds and bedding should be used. This book was very important in developing the techniques doctors and nurses still use today.			
All of the work Florence Nightingale did to improve the standard of nursing and the way nurses were trained was recognised in 1883 when she was awarded the Royal Red Cross by Queen Victoria and again in 1907 when she was awarded the Order of Merit. This is a special award given by the king or queen to people who have made a big contribution to society. Florence was the first ever woman to win this award.			
Progressive Journey:			Skills:
Florence Nightingale-her early life and determination to be a nurse. The Crimean War. The difference that Florence made to nursing methods during the war The Nightingale training hospital for Nurses. Recognition for Florence's work and her legacy.			Recognise why people did things, why events happened and what happened as a result. Identify differences between ways of life at different times. Discuss reliability of photos/ accounts/stories. Communicate their knowledge through: discussion, drawing, pictures, drama/role play, making models, writing, ICT.

Key Vocabulary

Nurse, Crimean War, Crimea, Scutari, Turkey, Victorian, Queen Victoria, soldiers, hospital, poor conditions, hygiene, improvements