

History Vision Statement



*As Jesus welcomes and values children, we at St Michael's **aspire** to welcome and value all members of our community. We **believe** that this welcome and value provides opportunities for all to **succeed**.*

Matthew 18: 2-5

At Coningsby St Michael's, we believe that history is a powerful tool for understanding our place in the world and shaping a better future. Rooted in our Christian ethos and guided by our school values, **Aspire, Believe, Succeed**, our history curriculum inspires children to explore the past with curiosity, respect, and a sense of purpose.

As part of the **LAAT Trust**, our approach to history is driven by **Excellence, Encouragement, and Exploration**, and is underpinned by a commitment to **equity and diversity**. We ensure that every child, regardless of background, has access to a rich and inclusive historical education that reflects the diverse stories and voices that have shaped our world.

We celebrate the **rich history within our local community**, including the legacy of **Tattershall Castle** and the enduring significance of **RAF Coningsby**, helping children connect with the past in meaningful and personal ways. Through these local links, pupils develop a sense of pride and belonging, understanding how their community has contributed to national and global history.

Our curriculum highlights **key knowledge and significant individuals** whose actions have shaped society — from monarchs and reformers to unsung heroes and pioneers of change. We explore the complexities of the past, including topics such as the **transatlantic slave trade**, encouraging children to reflect on issues of justice, human rights, and the importance of diversity.

History at Coningsby St Michael's promotes **British values** and supports children's **spiritual development**, encouraging them to ask big questions, consider different perspectives, and develop empathy and moral understanding. Through engaging lessons, storytelling, and enquiry-based learning, pupils build the skills to think critically, challenge assumptions, and become thoughtful, informed citizens.

Our vision is for every child to leave Coningsby St Michael's with a deep appreciation of history, a respect for cultural diversity, and the aspiration to shape a future grounded in compassion, wisdom, and hope.

