History - Year 5	
Autumn 2	
Where did all the potters go?	 As people began to drink more tea and coffee, more cups and pots needed. These were made from pottery. There were many reasons that the demand for British pottery decreased from 1900. These included the use of new materials and cheap pottery from China. As the demand for British pottery decreased people started to lose their jobs which impacted on their families. Some factories in Stoke-on-Trent are still working but have introduced modern technology and other ways of making money e.g. Cafés, museums, craft centres.
Spring 2	
The Anglo-Saxons	 The Anglo-Saxons were tribes who came from Germany, Denmark and the Netherlands. They invaded Britain after the Romans left. They first arrived in England in 449AD. The Anglo-Saxons were in Britain around 1600 years ago. The Anglo-Saxons came to England looking for land to farm because their homeland had flooded. The Anglo-Saxons came to England by ships from their homelands. The Anglo-Saxons lived in wooden houses with roofs made of straw called thatch. The Anglo-Saxons brought a new type of language to Britain, many words we still use today such as evil, ham, rain and Stoke.
Summer 2	
The Mayans	 Mayan civilisation began in 2000 BC. The Mayans lived over 4000 years ago. The Mayans lived in parts of Mexico and America. This was known as 'Mesoamerica'. Spanish people landed in Mesoamerica in 1521. They attacked the Mayans and stole their land and gold. The Mayan people were very advanced at Maths, Science and farming.