



**ELSLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL
HISTORY
KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER**

**Comparing life at home
and school over time**

**YEAR 1 AUT 1
BIG QUESTION:**

'Would you rather live at home and go to school in the past or the present?'

SCHOOL PAST		SCHOOL PRESENT		PAST	PRESENT	HOME PAST	HOME PRESENT		
This is a school desk . Children would sit at these desks in lines in front of the teacher.			Today, children sit together in groups .			This is a washtub and washboard . People would put their dirty clothes into the washtub and rub them on the washboard to clean them.			This is a washing machine . You plug it in and put your dirty clothes inside. The washing machine cleans your clothes itself.
This is a slate and pen . Children wrote on these before there was paper and pencils.			Today, children write in exercise books with pencils and pens.			This is a mangle . People would put their wet clothes in, turn the handle, and the mangle would squeeze the water out.			This is a tumble dryer . You plug it in, put your wet clothes inside, and the tumble dryer dries the clothes by itself.
This is a copy book . Children would have to practise writing correctly over and over again.			Today, children use handwriting books to help them practice their writing.			This is an old iron . It is made of metal. People would put them onto the cooker to warm up, the hold it onto their clothes.			This is an electric iron . You plug it into the socket, it gets hot and you hold it onto your clothes to make them flat.
This is an abacus . Children used these to help them to do their maths work.			Today, children can use a calculator to help them work out tricky maths sums.			This is a kettle . People would put it on top of the cooker and wait for the water to boil. They whistled when the water was hot.			This is an electric kettle . You plug it into the socket and the water boils. When it is hot the kettle switches itself off.
This is a duccies hat . The teacher made you wear this if you were being silly.			Today, children move up and down a behaviour chart depending on their behaviour choices.			This is a carpet beater . People would hand the rug on the line and hit it with the carpet beater to get the dust out.			This is a hoover . It is electric. You plug it in and push it along the floor. The dust is sucked up into the hoover.
This is a logbook . In it the teacher would write all that happened in a day.			Today, teachers write reports about any incidents that happened in the day.			This is a warming pan . It used to be warmed up and then placed inside your bed to warm it up before you got inside.			This is a hot water bottle . They are made from plastic and material. We put them in our beds to keep us warm.
This is a cane . Teachers used this as a punishment when a child did something wrong.			Today, children have to miss playtimes or have meetings with school leaders or their parents.			This is a pantry . Food used to be kept in here. A cold piece of stone would keep things like butter and milk cold.			This is a fridge . You plug it in and it keeps food and drinks cool. They are electrical and work all by themselves.
This is a school bell . The teacher would ring the bell at the start and end of school.			Today, some schools still use school bells, others use electronic bells or whistles.			This is a black and white television . For a long time, TV only had four channels.			This is a UHD Flat screen television . It has hundreds of channels and access to the internet.
Teachers used to dress in a black suit with a long gown and a cap called a mortar board .			Today, teachers wear more casual clothes but still look smart.			<p>Recommended websites</p> <p>http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/houses.html</p> <p>https://www.cbc.ca/kidscbc2/the-feed/what-was-school-like-150-years-ago</p>			
In the classroom, teachers and children wrote on a blackboard using chalk.			Today, in the classroom, teachers and children write on interactive white boards that have access to the internet.						