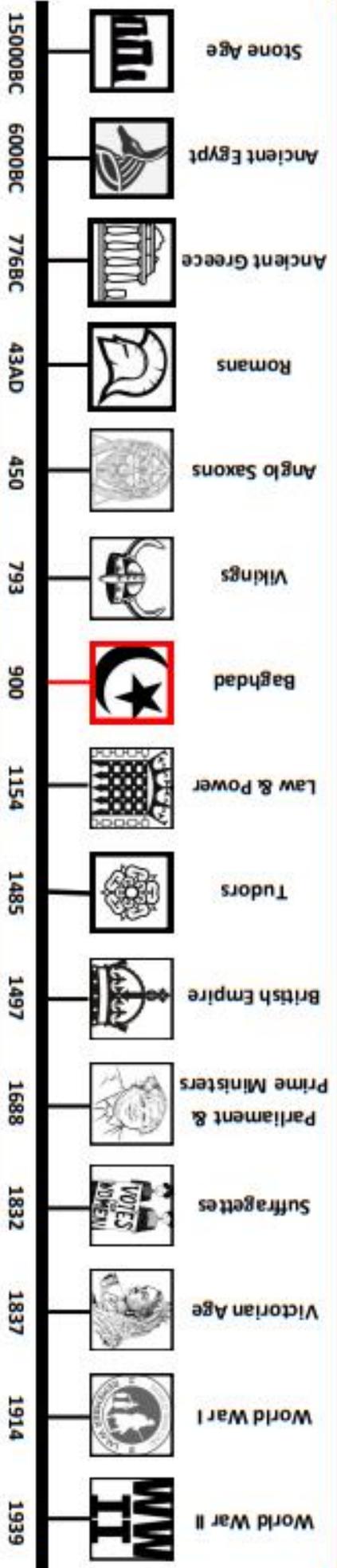


<p><b>English:</b>  <u>Poetry:</u>  Based on Brian Moses' poem Magic Carpet Ride. We will use figurative language to describe a journey flying over 900AD England and Baghdad.</p> <p><u>Non-fiction piece:</u>  A biography based on Ibn al-Hytham, the man that discovered how we see. We will also explore other amazing Muslims who changed the world through our reading comprehensions.</p> <p><u>Fiction piece:</u>  A wishing tale based in Baghdad. We will practice using the stories of King Midas of and Aladin to familiarise ourselves with the structure before creating our own wishing tale with a new wish.</p>	<p><b>Class information:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Swimming will be continuing on Tuesday mornings. Please be lined up outside the front entrance to the school by 8:30. Please note that the bus will leave promptly at 8:45, so any children arriving after this time will have to spend the morning in another classroom.</li> <li>Please can all girls with long hair ensure it is tied up and with no jewellery on if possible.</li> <li>Trombone lessons will continue on Wednesday mornings, led by Mr Smith.</li> </ul> <p><b>Regularly check the website and your emails for extra information.</b></p> <p>Please contact <a href="mailto:parents@beckfootpriestthorpe.org">parents@beckfootpriestthorpe.org</a> with any questions.</p>
<p><b>Maths:</b>  <u>Fractions and Percentages</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add and subtract fractions with the same and different denominators.</li> <li>Multiply fractions by a whole and mixed number.</li> <li>Explore fraction, decimal and percentage equivalence.</li> </ul> <p><u>Multiplication and Division</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recap formal long multiplication.</li> <li>Recap short division using pictorial representations before moving on to formal written methods</li> <li>Continue to work on our reasoning and problem-solving skills in multiplication and division.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Ideas for home school projects:</b>  Thank you to those children who make our Home School Projects board look beautiful. You could:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create a model of the round city of Baghdad.</li> <li>Make a PowerPoint based on famous buildings and landmarks in Baghdad.</li> <li>Write your own fact file based on one of the people in our class book 'Amazing Muslims Who Changed the World.'</li> <li>Write your name in Arabic as accurately as you can.</li> <li>Plan your own holiday to Iraq. How would you get there? Which places would you visit?</li> <li>Craft your own model of a mosque. Research the Al-Khulafa Mosque (the oldest existing mosque in Baghdad) to give you some ideas.</li> <li>Research the local cuisine and write your own food menu. Can you make one of your dishes?</li> </ul> <p><b><i>If the project is difficult to transport, you could send a photo to the parent email address.</i></b>  <a href="mailto:parents@beckfootpriestthorpe.org">parents@beckfootpriestthorpe.org</a></p>
<p><b>Home learning:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Practise times tables for 15 minutes 3x weekly. Recall should be fluent and rapid. <b><i>This skill is vital so please practice!</i></b></li> <li>Children should be read with at least 3 x per week and be able to confidently answer questions based on what they have read.</li> <li>Children should practice their planet spellings and ask to be tested when ready.</li> <li>Complete a home school project.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Extra home research around our topic is also greatly appreciated.</i></b></p>	<p><b>Geography:</b>  Our topic will involve Baghdad, its position within Iraq and its position worldwide.</p> <p><b>History:</b>  We will focus on the rise of Islam and how Baghdad was built. We will learn about the House of Wisdom and its importance, as well as the Mongol attack and the effect it had on the city.</p>
<p><b>Science:</b>  Our focus will be the human body. We will learn about the stages humans go through from infancy through to adulthood, including the changes that happen during puberty. We will also look at the different gestation periods for living things- from a mouse to an elephant!</p>	





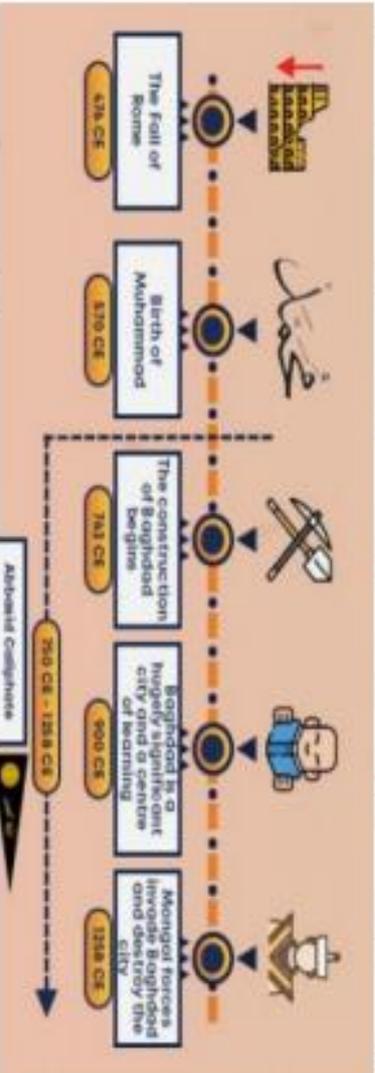
**Muhammad**

A Prophet and military leader who established Islam



**Hulegu Khan**

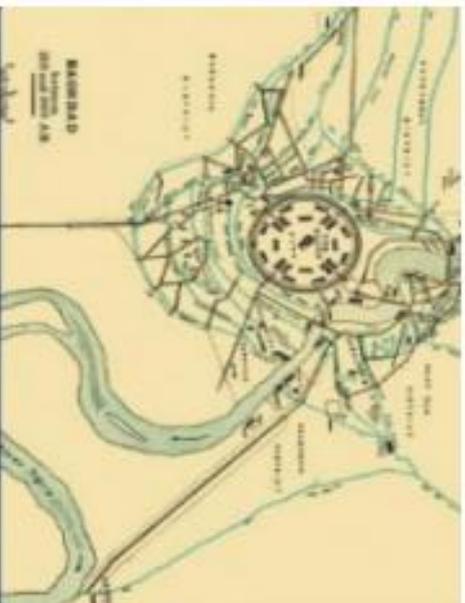
A Mongolian military leader who invaded Baghdad in 1258 and destroyed the city



**Key Vocabulary**

**Baghdad c. 900 CE**

Scholarship	The act of academic study at a high level
Civilisation	A civilisation is a nation or group of people, that share a common culture, common laws, a common economy, and typically a common faith or religion
'City of Peace'	Baghdad in 900 CE was referred to as the 'City of Peace'
House of Wisdom	The House of Wisdom was a place in Baghdad where texts were translated and where people came to learn and read. It is remembered as one of the world's greatest libraries
Mongols	The Mongols (originally from Mongolia) were a tribe of nomads who rode on horseback across central and northern Asia





**Caliph Al-Mansur**

A religious leader who is remembered for founding the city of Baghdad.



**Al-Tobari**

An influential scholar, historian and translator/interpreter