



Department: History

Overview: We will be following the National Curriculum at KS3 and the Edexcel specification at GCSE.

In Years 7, 8 and 9 pupils are taught stimulating and exciting topics. In year 7 pupils learn about how Britain was conquered in the middle ages and the impact of this. There is a consistent theme of the Government of Britain running through to the Tudor period. In Year 8 pupils learn about change in society, both politically with the English Civil War and with the industrial revolution and its impact. In year 9 pupils learn about World War One and Two, the causes, key events and consequences with an additional study of the Suffragettes.

In Years 10 and 11 students are studying the modules they will be examined on at the end of Year 11 for their GCSE history exams. The four areas of history currently studied are the history of medicine, Germany 1919-1939, the Cold War and superpower rivalry, and Elizabethan England.

Assessment

Pupils are assessed every half term via key questions that relate to an aspect of work that has been covered. End of topics tests will be carried out using a variety of different questions which assess them on various aspects of their historical knowledge including events, causes, consequences, key individuals, reaching judgments on significance. These assessments are written and will be administered in the classroom.

Assessment takes place at an appropriate point during the course.

All year groups take examinations or public examinations towards the end of an academic year.

Grouping & Setting

In Year 7, pupils are placed into groups based on their progress assessed throughout the year and on end of year tests. In Years 8-11 pupils are taught in sets. These sets are reviewed each half term after end of unit tests. Teaching and learning is differentiated, in both lessons and homework to help all students reach their full potential.

Support/ Revision/ Extra Curricular and Useful Websites

- BBC Bite size, Google scholar, YouTube has lots of history related documentaries
- Pupils will have the opportunity to seek one to one support outside of lesson time should they need support.