

Curriculum Information for Parents

Key Stage 3 History

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Examination Board	N/A	Specification Code	N/A

Subject Content

Year 7

Term 1 – What is History?

A unit that looks at the key historical skills that students will be developing during the study of History.

Term 2 – The Norman invasion and its impact

The candidates for the throne and William’s victory at Hastings. William’s consolidation of power.

Term 3 – Medieval Britain

Changes affecting power and society including the Black Death, Peasants Revolt and Magna Carta.

Term 4 – The Tudors

Henry VII and the beginning of the Tudor line, Henry VIII through to Elizabeth I. Focus on changes in religion and the issue of succession.

Term 5 – The Stuarts and the English Civil War

James I and the Catholic plot. The Great Fire of London. Charles I’s execution and the rise of Cromwell. The restoration of Charles II.

Term 6 – Political reform and the Local History Study

American Wars of Independence, the French revolution, Great Reform Act and a local history project.

Year 8

Term 1 – The British Empire and Slavery

The impact of the Empire and its benefits for Britain. The Slave trade and the campaign for abolition

Term 2 – Industrialisation and Victorian Britain

Innovation and invention. The factory system and living and working conditions. Jack the Ripper and the Whitechapel murders.

Term 3 – World War I

Causes of War and the key events. The Armistice and the impact of Versailles.

Term 4 – World War II – Including Holocaust study.

The causes of war including appeasement and Hitler’s foreign policy. The key events of the war including Dunkirk and D-Day. A Holocaust study that focuses on the development of anti-Semitism the impact of Nazi policies on the Jews and other minority groups.

Term 5 – Britain and Society Post WWII; Immigration, Women’s Rights and Youth Culture

Empire Windrush, Rock and Roll, Notting Hill Riots, Changes in Women’s Rights.

Term 6 - The Cold War

The Marshall Plan, Korea, Vietnam, Berlin Wall.

Additional Equipment Required:

Assessment Details

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Source and Interpretations analysis coupled with extended writing tasks assessed against the GCSE skills framework.

What can I do to support my child at home?

- Practice key words and terminology.
- Create timelines of all periods of study.
- Encourage political awareness via news on current affairs.
- Carry out visits to relevant sites during school holidays to encourage historical interest (Bosworth Field, Imperial War Museums, Blenheim Palace etc)

Recommended resources for the course:

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