



Key Stage: 4

Subject: History

Aims of the subject: To learn about Britain and the wider world by exploring ways in which the past has shaped identities, cultures and values today. To inspire an enjoyment of enquiry and for pupils to develop a historical perspective and a contextual framework to make sense of the past.

Lessons are interactive and pupils will practise the skills of reading, listening, writing and debate throughout the course. We will practise a range of examination style questions and skills to ensure pupils are well prepared for the GCSE examinations at the end of Year 11.

GCSE Examination Board: AQA

Assessment Overview:

- Paper 1: Understanding the modern world. Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes. 50% of GCSE.
- Paper 2: Shaping the nation. Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes. 50% of GCSE.

Year	What will I learn?	Assessment
Year 9	Term 1 Paper 1 Section B Wider World Depth Study Conflict and tension, 1918-1939: Peace-making and The League of Nations and international peace.	Four question styles: source analysis and evaluation, narrative writing, essay style questions.
	Term 2 Paper 1 Section B Wider World Depth Study Conflict and tension, 1918-1939: The origins and outbreak of the Second World War.	There will also be an end of topic test based on Section B of the exam paper. This will be done in class under exam conditions. Mock exam in April based on Paper One, Section B.
	Paper 1 Section A Period Study Germany, 1890-1945: Democracy and Dictatorship. Germany and the growth of democracy. Term 3 Paper 1 Section A Period Study Germany, 1890-1945: Democracy and Dictatorship. Germany and the depression and the experiences of Germans under the Nazis.	Six question styles: Interpretation comparisons, describe questions, explanation questions, analysis questions.

Year 10	Term 1: Paper 1 Section A Period Study Germany, 1890-1945: Democracy and Dictatorship. Germany and the depression and the experiences of Germans under the Nazis. Term 2: Paper 1 Section A Period Study Germany, 1890-1945: Democracy and Dictatorship. Germany and the depression and the experiences of Germans under the Nazis.	There will also be an end of topic test based on Sections A and B of the exam paper. This will be done in class under exam conditions. Mock exam in June based on Paper One, sections A and B.
	Term 3: Paper 2 Section B: British Depth Study. Norman England c.1066-c1100	Four question styles: source analysis and evaluation, narrative writing, a comparison of events and essay style questions. Mock in December based Paper One, in the Sports hall under exam conditions and Paper two, Section B, completed in class under exam conditions.
Year 11	Term 1: Paper 2 Section B: British Depth Study. Norman England c.1066-c1100, including site study (Durham Cathedral, 2018) Term 2: Paper 2 Section A: Thematic Study. Britain: Migration, empires and the people: c790 to present Term 3: Paper 2 Section A: Thematic Study. Britain: Migration, empires and the people: c790 to present	Four question styles: source analysis and evaluation, narrative writing, essay style questions. Mock exam at Easter based on Paper 2, Sections A and B, to be completed in the Sports Hall under exam conditions.

Extra-curricular opportunities

Revision classes and lectures provided for all units

Film club

How you can support your child's progress

Ensure that independent reading and research is done regularly. All KS4 students have been issued with a text book and revision guide.

Useful websites:

www.activehistory.co.uk

www.activehistory.co.uk

www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zj26n39

www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zk26n39

www.bbc.co.uk/history

www.historylearningsite.co.uk

www.johnclare.net

www.spartacus.schoolnet.com