

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO LEARN HISTORY?

History helps you discover how your world evolved.

History helps you develop the skills to look beyond the headlines, to ask questions properly, and to express your own opinions.

History trains your mind and teaches you how to think and process information.

History students are rounded individuals who develop an understanding of both past and present.

The pursuit of historical events and people is fun - a form of time travel.

History helps you make sense of most other subjects.

A lack of historical knowledge prevents people from truly understanding the

World they live in.

History helps you understand the origins of modern political and social problems.

History lets you learn how and why people behaved as they did, whether they are Elizabeth I, Hitler or John Lennon...

History makes you appreciate that people in the past were not just 'good' or 'bad', but motivated in complex and inconsistent ways, just like us.

WHAT EQUIPMENT WILL I BE EXPECTED TO BRING TO MY LESSON?

A black pen, a pencil, ruler, planner and reading book.

WHAT WILL KEY STAGE 3 LESSONS IN HISTORY LOOK LIKE?

The units of work you will cover are –

Year 8:

The Middle Ages

The development of Church, state and society in Medieval Britain
1066-1509

Tudors and Stuarts

The development of church, state and society develop 1509- 1745

The Industrial Revolution: the changes 1750-1900

Life in WW1 1914-1918

Dependant on the activity you are likely to do the following things –

Presentation of work to the class

Individual work

Group work

Use of ICT

Self and peer assessing

Investigating topical issues

Handling artefacts

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED IN HISTORY?

You will be assessed on the key areas of:

Historical skills

Source skills

Change and continuity

Historical vocabulary

Chronology

Historical investigation

Causes and consequences

Interpretations

All units at KS3 are assessed internally through a Key Piece item and an End of Unit test.

In Year 8, class work, homework and assessed items will be awarded levels of levels and grades will be used, in keeping with the GCSE Ready focus.