

HISTORY

COURSE OVERVIEW

The following topics will be studied:

- Thematic study and historic environment: Medicine in Britain, c1250–present *and* The British sector of the Western Front, 1914–18: injuries, treatment and the trenches.
- British depth study: Early Elizabethan England, 1558–88.
- Period study: Superpower relations and the Cold War, 1941–91
- Modern depth study: Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918–39

This will be done by:

- Investigating key events, people, changes and issues.
- Using a variety of sources, including IT, written and visual sources, artefacts, music and oral accounts.
- Considering a variety of perspectives, e.g. political, social, economic and cultural.
- Studying events from a national and international viewpoint.
- Looking at key features and characteristics of the periods, societies, situations specified, and the social, cultural, religious and ethnic diversity of the societies.
- Trips and residential visits – World War One battlefields in France/Belgium, an English heritage site.

KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS DEVELOPED

You will learn:

- how to analyse historical evidence
- how to create and evidence an argument
- historically impacting events and periods across the world and the effect they had on people and places

Being able to find, process and present huge amounts of information means historians have excellent critical thinking and analytical skills. Your communication and research skills, both of which are valued by employers.

Qualification: **GCSE**

Awarding Body: **EDEXCEL**

ASSESSMENT METHOD

You will sit three exams:

Paper 1:

Thematic study and historic environment (Medicine Through Time), 30% of the GCSE

Paper 2:

Period study and British depth study (Elizabeth I & Cold War), 40% of the GCSE)

Paper 3:

Modern depth study (Weimar and Nazi Germany), 30% of the GCSE)

POST 16 OPPORTUNITIES AND CAREERS

The history course is excellent preparation for a specific A Level in History, but also for other subjects at A level such as the Social Sciences.

Historians are able to apply their abilities, as well as knowledge of historical periods and events to roles in publishing, museums and libraries, research and education. The skills and expertise gained also come in handy for plenty of other roles from law and investment banking, to marketing and retail.



“I love learning about new topics. History is so interesting and it helps me with English too.”

