History

At Key Stage 3, students investigate key issues in the History of Britain, Europe and the World, between 1066-2000. A key focus is essay writing development and source skills

In Year 7, the Middle Ages and Early Modern Britain is studied. This involves looking at key events in Britain, including the Norman Invasion and its effect on England, the development of religion between the Normans and the Stuarts and How People Lived in this era. Students will begin to use sources based on content analysis and will work on creating essays in a History style.

In Year 8, students study the development of Britain in the Industrial era and its effects. Here students look at how Britain changed from a medium sized country, off the coast of mainland Europe, to become arguably the world leader and a global 'Superpower' by 1900. The will include looking at the Industrial Revolution, Britian's Empire, The development of Slavery and the era of World War One. Source work will develop to look at utility analysis and essay writing will work on adding and sustaining arguments in essays.

In Year 9 the key events of the 20th Century World are covered through the four leading countries of that time - Britain, USA, Russia and Germany. This will include the world between the World War's, Life in Nazi Germany, The Holocuast and its effects, World War II and the rise to power of the USA and the USSR, including Cold War tensions. Source will add the idea of interpretations of HIstory and essay based work will look at the development of explanation at paragraph level to aid essay structure and argument.

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Autumn 1	What do Historians do?	What was life like in Britain: The first industrial Nation?	What was the world like between the World Wars?
	Baseline assessment		
	What was the Norman invasion and how did they change England?	Assessment - Knowledge and paragraphing	ASSESSMENT - Comparisons assessment (Judgement development)
Autumn 2	What was the Norman invasion and how did they change England?	Was the British Empire a force for good?	What was life like for most people in Nazi Germany?
	Essay prep assessment (first part of extended writing)	Assessment - Sources	
Spring 1	What were Castles and how were they used?	Slavery	What was life like for most people in Nazi Germany?
		Assessment- Essay 1	Assessment - Essay
	Source assessment - an intro to source work		The Experience of the Holocaust

Spring 2	How did Religion change 1066-1603? Essay Assessment	What was the experience of World War One?	How were Countries affected by World War II?
	What was it like to live I in Medieval times and Who had power?	What was the experience of World War One? Assessment - Essay 2	How were Countries affected by World War II?
Summer 1	Source work assessment 2	Civil Rights	ASSESSMENT - Source work
			Who won the Cold War?
	What happened in the time of the Stuarts?	Why was the Civil Rights movement needed?	Who won the Cold War?
Summer 2			
		Assessment - Source assessment	