

Department Curriculum for History

		Half term 1 (Autumn)	Half term 2 (Autumn)	Half term 3 (Spring)	Half term 4 (Spring)	Half term 5 (Summer)	Half term 6 (Summer)
Year 7 Key stage 3		What is History and why do we study it? Why was Britain invaded before 1066? – Romans, Anglo Saxons and Vikings	How did William the Conqueror take control? – contenders for the throne in 1066, why did William win at Hastings?, castles, Harrying of the North, feudal system and Domesday Book (local history)	What was Medieval life like? – structure of society, crime and punishment, the role of religion, the murder of Thomas Beckett, King John and Magna Carta, the Black Death	What was Medieval life like? – the impact of the Black Death, Black Death vs Covid, Peasants’ Revolt and impact	Why did the English go on Crusades? – similarities between Medieval Christianity and Islam, children’s’ crusade, Richard the Lionheart	Why are the Crusades significant now and what was their impact? End of year exam
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	Year 8 Key stage 3		Who were the Tudors and how did they come to the throne? – Richard III, Henry VII, Henry VIII, Reformation	Who were the Tudors and how did they come to the throne? – Edward VI, Mary I, Elizabeth I, Spanish Armada	Why did the Spanish Armada fail? Who were the Stuarts? – James I, unification, the Gunpowder Plot What were the causes of the Civil War?	Why did the English kill their king? – events and consequences of the Civil War, Cromwell, Georgian fashion	How and why did life change after 1750? – the impact of the Industrial Revolution, an introduction to the transatlantic slave trade
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Year 9 Key Stage 3			WW1 – causes and events	WW1 – end of the war and impact What was the Treaty of Versailles and why was it so significant? How did the Treaty of Versailles cause WW2? Causes of WW2 – rise of Hitler and the Nazis, other events in Europe WW2 – Home Front and the Blitz.	The Holocaust – victims, stages, liberation	The fight for Civil Rights in America after 1945 – KKK, Brown vs Board of Education, Montgomery Bus Boycott	The fight for Civil Rights in America after 1945 – Little Rock 9, direct action, Martin Luther King and Malcolm X End of year assessment
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Year 10 Key Stage 4	AQA	Elizabeth I – overview, government, religion, rebellion, culture and society	Elizabeth I – Armada, exploration, Essex USA 1920-29 – Boom, entertainment, women, prohibition	USA 1920-29 – Crime, immigration, KKK, Sacco and Vanzetti USA 1929-41 – Wall Street Crash, 1932 election, New Deal	USA Post 1945 – Impact of WW2, Consumerism, American Dream, McCarthyism, pop culture, Great Society, Civil Rights, Women’s Rights	Conflict and Tension 1945-72 – Origins, Yalta, Potsdam, atomic bomb, Iron Curtain, Truman Doctrine and Marshall Aid, Cominform and Comecon	Conflict and Tension 1945-72 – Berlin Blockade and Airlift, Cold War in Asia, NATO and Warsaw Pact
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Year 11 Key stage 4	AQA	Conflict and Tension 1945-72 – Origins, Yalta, Potsdam, atomic bomb, Iron Curtain, Truman Doctrine and Marshall Aid, Cominform and Comecon, Berlin Blockade and Airlift, Cold War in Asia, NATO and Warsaw Pact, arms race	Conflict and Tension 1945-72 – Space Race, Hungarian Uprising, U2, Berlin Wall, Cuban Missile Crisis, Prague Spring, Détente, SALT 1 PPE	Elizabeth I – revision and consolidation	USA 1920-73 – revision and consolidation PPE	Elizabeth I, USA 1920-73, Conflict and Tension 1945 – 72 – revision and consolidation	
		<u>Topic Information</u>		Revision of past topics			