

History

KS3

During Key Stage 3 students learn about significant individuals and events in the history of Britain from the Middle Ages to the twentieth century. They also learn about key aspects of European and world history. They show their understanding by making connections between events and changes in the different periods and areas studied, and by comparing the structure of societies and economic, cultural and political developments. They evaluate and use sources of information, using their historical knowledge to analyse the past and explain how it can be represented and interpreted in different ways.

KEY STAGE 4 HISTORY

This course explores:

Understanding the modern world and Shaping the nation

Paper 1

Section A

Period Studies

Germany 1890- 1945 Democracy and Dictatorship

This period study focuses on the development of Germany during a turbulent half century of change. It was a period of democracy and dictatorship – the development and collapse of democracy and the rise and fall of Nazism. Students will study the political, economic, social and cultural aspects of these two developments and the role ideas played in influencing change. They will also look at the role of key individuals and groups in shaping change and the impact the developments had on them.

Section B

Wider World Depth Studies

Conflict and Tension 1945-1972

This wider world depth study enables students to understand the complex and diverse interests of different states and individuals and the ideologies they represented. It considers revolutionary movements during this time. It focuses on the causes and events of the Cold War and seeks to show how and why conflict occurred and why it proved difficult to resolve the tensions which arose during the Cold War. This study also considers the role of key individuals and groups in shaping change and how they were affected by and influenced international relations

Paper 2 Section A

Thematic Studies

Unit 2A Britain: Health and the people: c1000 to the present day

This thematic study will enable students to gain an understanding of how medicine and public health developed in Britain over a long period of time. It considers the causes, scale, nature and consequences of short and long term developments, their impact on British society and how they were related to the key features and characteristics of the periods during which they took place.

Section B

British Depth Studies

Elizabethan England 1568-1603

This option allows students to study in depth a specified period, the last 35 years of Elizabeth I's reign. The study will focus on major events of Elizabeth I's reign considered from economic, religious, political, social and cultural standpoints, and arising contemporary and historical controversies.

KS5

This course is designed to help our students understand the significance of historical events, the role of individuals in history and the nature of change over time. Students will gain a deeper understanding of the past through political, social, economic and cultural perspectives. The new AQA includes three units of study; two written papers and a personal study assessment. A Level students must take assessments in all three of the following components, one of which has to be from British history:

The course follows:

Component 1: Breadth Study

The Tudors: England 1485-1603

Component 2: Depth Study

Revolution and Dictatorship: Russia 1917-1953

Component 3: Historical Investigation (personal study of choice)