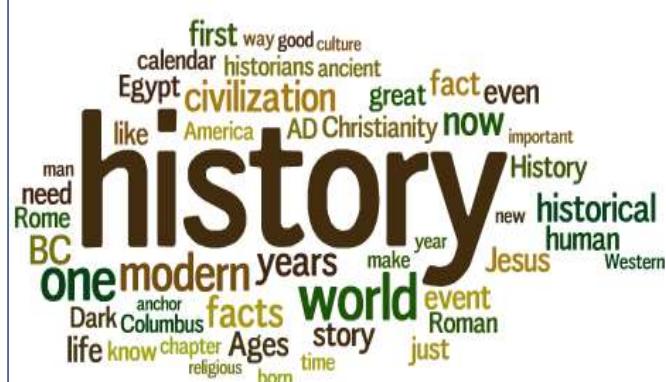


What is the course about?

History helps us understand the world we live in. We answer 'why' questions in helping unpick the mystery of human actions. Studying elements of history which range from c.1000 to modern times. We study the actions of famous individuals and the lives of ordinary people, working out how and why people have shaped the world.

What topics will I study?

1. Crime and Punishment in England c.1000 – Present day. We look at the development of law enforcement and consider questions such as the abolition of capital punishment. We address a number of case studies: witchcraft, the gunpowder plot and the police investigation into Jack the Ripper.
2. Superpower relations and the Cold War and Early Elizabethan England. We study the conflict between the USA and the USSR following the Second World War. We will also look at the key events and characters of Elizabethan England, such as Mary Queen of Scots, Francis Drake and the Spanish Armada
3. Weimar and Nazi Germany. This looks at Germany at the end of WW1 and looking at how Hitler emerged as leader of Germany. We study the experiences of young people, women and minority groups.

What activities will there be?

Lots of interactive learning, exam practice, team work, individual research projects, films, historical documentaries and trips! If the situation improves, trips include a Crime tour of Whitechapel in London centred around Jack the Ripper, a revision workshop on Nazi Germany (with artefacts) at the Imperial War Museum and a trip to Berlin (subject to demand).

What percentage of the final grade is from coursework? No courseworkWhat about after Key Stage 4? (Careers and College):

Students can use History for a number of different A Levels or degrees. History is a well-regarded academic subject which can open doors to graduate schemes, careers in teaching, law, journalism, government and many more. It teaches you how to write at an extremely high level, research, process information and present information in a variety of different. These transferable skills are very valuable in all areas of work and further education.

Exam board and useful website?

Edexcel: <https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/history-2016.html>