

KS3 Curriculum Map

History

Knowledge & Understanding

Interpretations

Using Evidence

Chronology

Cause & Consequence

Significance

Change & Continuity

Similarity & Difference

Independent Learning

Research skills

Year/Term	Unit of Work	Core Knowledge	Key Concepts/Skills	Assessment
Year 7 1 st Half Term 1	Intro to KS3 History Before The Battle of Hastings	Baseline testing + feedback Chronology Contenders to the throne Harold before Hastings	Knowledge & Understanding Interpretations Using Evidence Chronology	Baseline testing
Year 7 2 nd Half Term 1	The Battle of Hastings [Remembrance]	Why did William win the Battle of Hastings? Hastings documentary Hastings assessment and feedback [Remembrance lessons]	Cause & Consequence Knowledge & Understanding Using Evidence Significance	Essay: Why did William win the Battle of Hastings? Skill focus: Causation
Year 7 1 st Half Term 2	The Norman Conquest Life in Medieval England	Is Schama right about Hastings? (How much did England change?) Domesday Book Feudal System Life in Medieval England	Interpretations Knowledge & Understanding Change & Continuity Using Evidence Similarity & Difference	Letter: Is Schama right about Hastings? Skill focus: Change and Continuity
Year 7 2 nd Half Term 2	Castles The Black Death	Where would you build your castle? Attacking Castles Defending Castles Life in a castle Castle decisions game Medieval Medicine The Black Death Was the Black Death a disaster for everyone?	Knowledge & Understanding Cause & Consequence Using Evidence Interpretation	
Year 7 1 st Half Term 3	Medieval Religion The Murder of Thomas Becket	How did you get in to Heaven or Hell? Heaven and Hell game [Mountfitchet Castle trip] Murder of Thomas Becket Becket assessment and feedback	Knowledge & Understanding Cause & Consequence Significance Using Evidence	Newspaper Report: Murder of Thomas Becket Skill focus: Cause and Consequence, Using Evidence
Year 7 2 nd half Term 3	My Humanity project	Family history Local history Significant life events	Independent Learning Research skills	

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Year 8 1 st Half Term 1	Life and Religion under the Tudors [Remembrance]	Timeline of the early modern period. Society in 1500s Skills - Speed Reading Quiz re Life in 1500s Catholicism and Protestantism Why did Henry break with Rome? Dissolution of the Monasteries	Knowledge & Understanding Significance Cause & Consequence Similarity & Difference Using Evidence Change & Continuity	Why did Henry break with Rome and Dissolution of Monasteries Skill focus: Causation
Year 8 2 nd Half Term 1	Life and Religion under the Tudors	Life in Tudor England Succession of Henry VIII - Edward VI & Lady Jane Grey Life under Mary I How 'bloody' was Bloody Mary? What was Elizabeth I like as a queen? How successful was Elizabeth's middle way?	Knowledge & Understanding Interpretations Cause & Consequence Change & Continuity Using Evidence Similarity & Difference Significance	How 'bloody' was Bloody Mary? Skill focus: Interpretations
Year 8 1 st Half Term 2	Elizabeth I, the rise and fall of the Stuarts	Hampton Court Palace trip? The Spanish Armada Gunpowder Plot Causes English Civil War Armies of the English Civil War	Knowledge & Understanding Interpretations Cause & Consequence Change & Continuity Using Evidence Significance	
Year 8 2 nd Half Term 2	The Commonwealth of England – The English Republic	Battle of Naseby Execution of Charles I Oliver Cromwell Great Plague Great Fire of London	Knowledge & Understanding Cause & Consequence Change & Continuity Significance	Plague and Fire newspaper Skill focus: Significance
Year 8 1 st Half Term 3	The British Empire and Slavery	How much did Britain change 1750-1900? What was the British Empire? Why did Britain build an empire? Benefits of Empire? How great was the British Empire? Opium War Tea SoW	Knowledge & Understanding Interpretations Using Evidence Significance	
Year 8 2 nd half Term 3	My World Project	History, geography and religion of a case study country	Independent Learning Research skills	

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Year 9 1 st Half Term 1	Britain 1900-1918 [Remembrance]	The Titanic Suffragettes WW1 Battlefield trip	Knowledge & Understanding Cause & Consequence Significance	How significant was WW1? Skill focus: Significance
Year 9 2 nd Half Term 1	Holocaust Project	Jewish Life in Europe What was the Holocaust Nazi Rule – 30s persecution Authentic encounters Being Human Who killed Barney Greenman? Concentration Camps + Resistance Liberation and Home Leon – The First Year Surviving Survival The Pianist Holocaust memorials [Holocaust survivor visit] IWM trip	Knowledge & Understanding Cause & Consequence Change & Continuity Using Evidence Similarity & Difference Significance	Holocaust TBC
Year 9 1 st Half Term 2	WW2	Causes of WW2 WW2	Knowledge & Understanding Cause & Consequence Using Evidence Significance	
Year 9 2 nd Half Term 2	How and why did the position of black people change?	What was the Slave Trade? How should we film the Middle Passage? Slave Auctions Life as a slave and slave records Slave Punishments Abolition Civil War – World War Key Events of CRM How important were individuals Impact and change	Knowledge & Understanding Interpretations Change & Continuity Using Evidence Similarity & Difference Significance	
Year 9 1 st Half Term 3	GCSE Cold War	Cold War intro Conferences The Atom Bomb Satellite States Truman & Marshall	[18 weeks based on 3 lessons a fortnight] Knowledge & Understanding Interpretations Cause & Consequence	GCSE questions

		Cominform, Comecon, NATO Berlin Crisis 1948 FRG & GDR Arms Race & Warsaw pact Hungarian Uprising	Change & Continuity Using Evidence Similarity & Difference Significance	
Year 9 2 nd half Term 3 (up to Oct term Year 10)	GCSE Cold War	Berlin Crisis 1961 Berlin Wall Cuban Missile Crisis Prague Spring Détente Afghan 1979 Reagan Gorbachev Fall of the Wall	Knowledge & Understanding Interpretations Cause & Consequence Change & Continuity Using Evidence Similarity & Difference Significance	