

# Curriculum Overview 2019-2020

## History

### Intent:

All students will study History at Key Stage 3 and can opt further this study at Key Stage 4. The aim of the History curriculum is for students to gain a solid grounding in understanding the local area in which they live, Britain and wider world. The History curriculum is delivered in a broadly chronological sense to support progression by developing knowledge, concepts and skills, which enable learners to be more effective across other areas in the school and in later life.

### Implementation at Key Stage 3

In Key Stage 3, students follow a broadly chronological curriculum, which develops the necessary skills to be successful at Key Stage 4. Students develop skills in first and second order concepts, using evidence and analysing interpretations.

At the end of every unit of work, students complete assessments linked to the topics and unit studied. Progress is tracked and monitored using end of unit assessments. Students are provided with formative targets to enable their progression.

### Implementation at Key Stage 4

We use the Edexcel exam board.

The GCSE has been planned to build on from Key Stage 3 and to extend students' knowledge by studying new areas of content and by revisiting and deepening their knowledge of content. It will ensure progression from GCSE to A-Level as there are similar approaches to assessment. Students can have a coherent and diverse experience of history if they take both GCSE and A-Level in History.

### Overview:

History GCSE is assessed through three exams taken in the Summer of Year 11, resulting in 100% of the grades awarded. Students will sit Year 10 exams and mock exams in Year 11 in preparation for the final exam.

In Year 10, students study the following:

- Paper 1: Thematic study Crime Punishment and Law enforcement, Britain c. 1000 - today  
Historical environment Whitechapel policing, crime and inner city C.1870 - 1900
- Paper 2: British depth study Early Elizabethan England, 1558 – 1588
- Paper 3: Modern depth study Weimar to Nazi Germany 1918 – 1939

In Year 11, students study the following:

- Paper 3: Modern depth study Weimar and Nazi Germany 1918 – 1939
- Paper 2: Period study Superpower relations and the Cold War, 1941–91