

Key Stage 3 Subject Curriculum Overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Y7	Topics and content to be learnt		Topics and content to be learnt		Topics and content to be learnt	
	Anglo-Saxon England Contenders to the Throne in 1066 Battle of Stamford Bridge	Battle of Hastings William securing his reign Norman Society Norman Crime and Punishment	Murder of Thomas Becket Magna Carta – Changes to rule of law Black Death Peasants revolt Religion in the Middle Ages	Medicine in the Middle Ages – Role of Barber Surgeons Middle Ages Crime and Punishment – How had it changed from Medieval England Wars of the Roses	Martin Luther and the introduction of printing Henry VIII – including the break with Rome Mary I and the counter reformation Elizabeth I – Religious settlement and challenges facing her reign	The Stuarts and the growing power of Parliament Causes of the English Civil War Changes to power in post Civil War England
	Knowledge, skills and understanding explicit to these topics/stage How to analyse sources Being able to explain how power in England is different today compared to Medieval England (Continuity and Change) How society is structured		Knowledge, skills and understanding explicit to these topics/stage The power of the Church in the middle ages and how it caused conflict between church and the crown How crime and punishment has changed as society has developed between Medieval England and the Middle Ages		Knowledge, skills and understanding explicit to these topics/stage How the Break with Rome still impacts Britain today The beginnings of the development of religious freedom and its importance to English Society Understanding why the Monarch has very little power and Parliament has most of the power and how that developed	
Y8	Topics and content to be learnt		Topics and content to be learnt		Topics and content to be learnt	
	Georgian England The beginnings of the industrial revolution How the industrial revolution changed the British Landscape – development of towns, cities and factories	Development of the first transport systems – Road, Rail, Canals Highwaymen Crime and Punishment in the Early Modern Period/ Victorian England Whitechapel Murders	Slavery – The Transatlantic slave trade and the British role in the trade Abolition of Slavery in both Britain and America	Development of the British Empire Colonisation of America Britain vs France – Seven Years War and Waterloo	Britain in India – Colonisation and rule Changes to Britain at the start of the 20 th Century Causes of World War I	Major Battles of World War I End of World War I Suffragettes
	Knowledge, skills and understanding explicit to these topics/stage Concepts of Continuity and Change Understanding why Britain developed the way it has Causation - Why certain crimes became widespread and then disappeared Why Britain needed to develop a police force The Whitechapel murders		Knowledge, skills and understanding explicit to these topics/stage The impact of Slavery on the world, including race relations in the UK and USA Causation – Why society has been divided along racial lines Source Analysis – Being able to question the reliability of sources and why sources can be produced to give a distorted view of events		Knowledge, skills and understanding explicit to these topics/stage The reach of the British Empire and how this has influence the make up of Britain today including immigration Causation – Causes of World War I Change – How the war changed the society. The change to power in Britain caused by the Suffragettes	
Y9	Topics and content to be learnt		Topics and content to be learnt		Topics and content to be learnt	
	Post WWI – Treaty of Versailles Creation of the Weimar Republic Early Challenges of Weimar Germany	Germany up to Wall Street Crash Early life of Adolf Hitler Rise of the Nazi Party to Hitler becoming Chancellor in 1933 Beginnings of Fascist Germany	Challenges to peace in the 1930's Road to WWII Major battles of WWII Holocaust	End of World War II Origins of the Cold War Division of Europe between democratic west and communist east	Early tensions between USA and USSR Berlin Crisis 1948 Arms Race NATO and Warsaw Pact	Hungarian Uprising 1956 Building of Berlin Wall 1961 Cuban Revolution and Cuban Missile Crisis
	Knowledge, skills and understanding explicit to these topics/stage Continuity and Change – Understanding how World War I changed society in both Britain and Germany Causation – How the decision at the end of World War I led to the rise of Hitler Democracy and Dictatorship – Different ways to run a country		Knowledge, skills and understanding explicit to these topics/stage Source Analysis and the impact of propaganda Causation – How decision taken by all major powers led to World War and the Holocaust		Knowledge, skills and understanding explicit to these topics/stage Ideology – Differences between East and West, between Capitalism and Communism	