

Subject: **HISTORY**Lead Teacher: **A.Seys**Year: **8****Curriculum organisation**

Students are taught in groups of 28 students for two lessons per week.

What topics will your daughter be studying this year?**How will your daughter be learning?****Autumn Term**

- Empire: The Transatlantic Slave trade and the abolition of Slavery
- Empire: the ending of the British Empire [Case-study: India]

Spring Term

- Conflict: the Causes of the First World War and Conditions in the Trenches
- Conflict: the Treaty of Versailles and causes of WW2
- Conflict: Life for civilians in WW2
- Conflict: how should the Holocaust be remembered?

Summer Term

- Power: the struggle for equal rights e.g. Women and the Vote
- Power: the role of Mandela in ending Apartheid in South Africa

- Whole class discussion
- Pair/group work
- Presentations
- Problem-solving tasks
- Extended writing tasks

Equipment needed for lessons

- Standard school stationery.
- Occasional use of textbook [provided in school as appropriate].
- An open mind ready to learn!

What can you do to support your daughter?

- Discuss what we are learning about at home and what is going on in the modern world – some knowledge of current affairs is always useful.
- Encourage homework to be completed on time and proof read before it's handed in.

How will learning be assessed and progress measured?

- Students will peer-mark some exercises.
- Occasional key vocabulary/definitions tests.
- Focused assessment tasks will be graded using the NGHS Marking Policy. These will always be set in advance.

Extension & Enrichment opportunities

- A lunchtime lower school History Club runs weekly and encourages students to get involved in national history-related competitions and activities.
- We often participate in local, bespoke projects [for example, with Local Heritage groups].
- We take students on at least one trip in Year 8 [for example, to the Peoples' History Museum in Manchester].

If you have any questions about this Learning Overview, please contact the named Teacher above.