

Year 8 History

What will be studied?

Topic(s)

Term 1:

The Tudors - students will learn about the Tudor Dynasty from the successful conquest of England by Henry VII through to the Golden Age of Queen Elizabeth I. Their studies will focus on the extreme religious changes brought about by the English Reformation.

Term 2:

1st Half Term

The Stuarts and the English Civil War - This half term will focus on the reigns of the Stuart Monarchs and the causes and consequences of the English Civil War. Students will learn about the role played by Oliver Cromwell and evaluate his significance to English History.

2nd Half Term

Empire and Slavery and African Medieval Kingdom - Students will investigate the long and short term impacts of the British Empire around the globe with particular focus on the impact of the trans-atlantic slave trade.

Term 3:

Modern History WWI and WWII - During this term students will begin preparation for their GCSE's by investigating the causes, events and consequences of WWI and the role played by the Treaty of Versailles in causing the Second World War developing their knowledge of a key period of study for GCSE.

How do you assess the learning?

Students will be assessed through a combination of half-termly assessments (in which they will further develop their GCSE examination skills), regular extended homework such as essays and presentations and ongoing projects.

End of Year Examination

How will I be assessed at the end of the year?

Our end of year examination is an hour long assessment in the style of their half termly tests but including all knowledge acquired across the academic year.

How can I help my child?

Guidance and advice

John D Clare (website), history learning site, regularly checking Smart homework, trips to museums and encouragement to read broadly around the subject.