

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 African Medieval Kingdom - Students will investigate the importance of Medieval Africa to Europe and how much wealthier and more advanced many African kingdoms were in comparison to their European counterparts. Term 3: Empire, Trade and Industry - During this term 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.
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. BBC Bitesize.