

# Why study History?

An understanding of History is essential in allowing us to interpret, evaluate and explain how present society has been shaped by past events. An understanding of Politics helps young people navigate the ever changing climate of society, the institutions that run the country and shape the future.

History and Politics are well placed to emphasise British Values and promote the importance of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance. Through examining the events that shaped our country, students can gain a fuller understanding of the interconnections between different cultures and beliefs, where we all come from, the Alperton community and how our ways of life have evolved. Similarly Politics examines, from a contemporary perspective, how the past has influenced the present.

History and Politics teaches you to think. In a world awash with fake news and misinterpretations it is crucial that we possess the skills to question, challenge and criticise. History and Politics are integral in supporting students with the skills they need to navigate the present and embrace the future.