



What will you learn?

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 will you be assessed?

Overall assessment

Students will be assessed through a combination of half-term 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 assessment

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.

Which resources should you use?

Books, websites, online resources, trips and visits

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



What independent work can you do?

Books, websites, online resources

Use the VIP Zone, there you will find:

- An 'Independent Learning' folder full of resources and ideas to support your learning
- PLCs [Personal Learning Checks] - use these to rate your understanding of each topic and to recap and stretch your knowledge and skills.

Start revising. Try some of these to improve your understanding of each lesson and to help you prepare for assessments.

- **Summarise your notes:** Identify the key ideas and essential details. This technique improves understanding and retention by making information clearer and more manageable.
- **Flashcards:** Write key information on cards, don't forget to include an example
- **Mind maps:** Visually organize information by creating diagrams that connect ideas. This helps you see the relationships between topics.
- **Mnemonics:** Use songs, rhymes, or acronyms to help remember facts and figures.
- **Recording and replaying:** Record yourself reading notes and listen back to them.
- **Sticky notes:** Write / draw a key point on each note and place them around your house to help with memorisation.

Watch this: BBC Bitesize [The Best Memory Hacks to Help Your Revision](#)