## AQA A LEVEL HISTORY

A Level History follows the AQA A Level specification. This is a linear two year course meaning that exams are taken at the end of Year 13. This qualification has been selected as it has been designed to help students understand the significance of historical events, the role of individuals in History and the nature of change over time, building upon the Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 curriculum. Students will gain a deeper understanding of the past through political, social, economic and cultural perspectives through an intensive study of three Historical periods.

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

#### Year 12

- · 1C The Tudors: England, 1485–1547.
- 20 Democracy and Nazism: Germany, 1918–1933.
- Non Examined Assessment (NEA) - an independently researched and written historical investigation on Tsarist and Communist Russia.

#### Year 13

- 1C The Tudors: England, 1485– 1603.
- 20 Democracy and Nazism: Germany, 1918–1945.
- Non Examined Assessment (NEA) - an independently researched and written historical investigation on Tsarist and Communist Russia.

#### **ASSESSMENT**

This is a linear two year course meaning that exams are taken at the end of Year 13.

- · Unit 1: The Tudors 1485-1603: 40% of your overall grade.
- Unit 2: Democracy and Nazism: Germany, 1918–1945: 40% of your overall grade.
- NEA Historical Enquiry your own study on Russia: 20% of your overall grade.

Students are formally assessed regularly over Key Stage 5 including 3 PPE exam periods. These are composed of questions taken from past A Level papers. We also assess students regularly through the completion of a range of assessment activities based on exam style questions, recall activities and consolidation tasks. Students are given the opportunity to reflect on their progress and complete 'close the gap' activities which support them to improve their areas for development. Assessment scores are used to track student progress and implement any necessary additional intervention.

### SUBJECT COMBINATIONS

History works well with and can be combined with subjects such as A Level Law, English Language and Literature, Politics, Sociology and Psychology.



# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At least 5 GCSEs at grade 5 and above including English & Maths. Plus History GCSE at grade 6.

#### **PROGRESSION**

Many of our students move on to higher education and study History at an advanced level. History has been identified by many selective universities as an A Level they prefer to see on an applicant's course of study.

#### **FUTURES**

History teaches important skills such as clear expression and analysing evidence. These skills are useful in helping you progress into a wide range of careers, such as the Police, Law, Teaching, Politics, Social Work, Publishing, Journalism, Banking and all kinds of Business and Management based careers.





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