

## PCHS Curriculum Information

<b>Course Title: A Level History</b>	<b>Exam Board: AQA</b>	<b>Specification Code: 7042</b>
<p><b>How will students be assessed?</b>  A-level students must take assessments in all three of the following components.</p> <p><b>Component 1 Breadth study:</b> Written exam, 2 hours 30 minutes, three questions (one compulsory), 80 marks, 40% of A-level.</p> <p><b>Component 2: Depth study:</b> Written exam, 2 hours 30 minutes, three questions (one compulsory), 80 marks, 40% of A-level</p> <p><b>Component 3: Historical investigation (Personal study):</b> Coursework, 3000–3500 words, 40 marks, 20% of A-level, marked by teachers, moderated by AQA.</p>		

<b>Progress checks on Component 3 will be made throughout Term 1 &amp; 2</b>	
<p><b>KEY CONTENT:</b> Component 2: Democracy and Nazism: Germany, 1918–1945</p>	<p><b>KEY CONTENT:</b> Component 1 (Breadth Study): The Tudors: England 1485 – 1603</p>
<p><b>Half Term 1</b>  <b>The Nazi Dictatorship, 1933–1939</b>  Hitler's consolidation of power, March 1933–1934: governmental and administrative change and the establishment of the one-party state; the Night of the Long Knives and the impact of the death of President Hindenburg.</p>	<p><b>Half Term 1</b>  <b>England: turmoil and triumph, 1547–1603</b>  Review and complete from finishing point - Year 12.  Edward VI, Somerset and Northumberland; royal authority; problems of succession; relations with foreign powers  The social impact of religious and economic changes under Edward VI; rebellion; intellectual developments; humanist and religious thought  Mary I and her ministers; royal authority; problems of succession; relations with foreign powers</p>
<p><b>Half Term 2</b>  The 'Terror State': the police, including the SS and Gestapo; the courts; extent, effectiveness and limitations of opposition and non-conformity; propaganda: aims, methods and impact; extent of totalitarianism.  Economic policies and the degree of economic recovery; Schacht; Goering; the industrial elites</p>	<p><b>Half Term 2</b>  The social impact of religious and economic changes under Mary I; rebellion; intellectual developments; humanist and religious thought  Elizabeth I: character and aims; consolidation of power, including the Act of Settlement and relations with foreign powers  The impact of economic, social and religious developments in the early years of Elizabeth's rule</p>
<p><b>Half Term 3</b>  Social policies: young people; women; workers; the churches; the degree of Volksgemeinschaft; benefits and drawbacks of Nazi rule  <b>The Racial State, 1933–1941</b>  The radicalisation of the state: Nazi racial ideology; policies towards the mentally ill, asocials, homosexuals, members of religious sects, the Roma and Sinti  Anti-Semitism: policies and actions towards the Jews, including the boycott of Jewish shops and the Nuremberg Laws</p>	<p><b>Half Term 3</b>  <b>The triumph of Elizabeth, 1563–1603</b>  Elizabethan government: court, ministers and parliament; factional rivalries  Foreign affairs: issues of succession; Mary, Queen of Scots; relations with Spain  Society: continuity and change; problems in the regions; social discontent and rebellions</p>

**Half Term 4**

The development of anti-Semitic policies and actions; the effect of the Anschluss; Reichkristallnacht; emigration; the impact of the war against Poland  
The treatment of Jews in the early years of war: the Einsatzgruppen; ghettos and deportations

**The impact of War, 1939–1945**

Rationing, indoctrination, propaganda and morale; the changing impact of war on different sections of society including the elites, workers, women and youth

**Half Term 4**

Economic development: trade, exploration and colonisation; prosperity and depression  
Religious developments, change and continuity; the English renaissance and 'the Golden Age' of art, literature and music

**Half Term 5**

The wartime economy and the work of Speer; the impact of bombing; the mobilisation of the labour force and prisoners of war  
Policies towards the Jews and the 'untermenschen' during wartime; the Wannsee Conference and the 'Final Solution'  
Opposition and resistance in wartime including students, churchmen, the army and civilian critics; assassination attempts and the July Bomb Plot; overview of the Nazi state by 1945

**Half Term 5**

The last years of Elizabeth: the state of England politically, economically, religiously and socially by 1603

**Half Term 6**

Revision and exam prep.

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