

## GCSE History

### Who is the course for?

Historians are regarded as having had an education that trains their minds to assemble, organise and present facts and opinions and this is a very useful quality in many walks of life and careers. History is an excellent preparation for many jobs.

### What are the entry requirements?

We want students that are:

- Self-motivated and committed learners
- Have a genuine interest in the past
- Critical and independent thinkers
- Have good literacy skills
- Able to communicate their ideas

### Course Aims:

This course is divided into four key units that you will study. All the units will be examined at the end of the three years.

- Superpower relations and the Cold War, 1941-91
- Medicine through time (c1250 to the present day) & Injuries, treatment and trenches during World War One.
- Anglo-Saxon and Norman England, c1060—c1088
- USA, Home and Abroad: c1954—c1975

### How is the course assessed?

In GCSE History there are three exams and there are no tiered exam papers.

### Duration/Time

- 2 year course
- All 3 exams taken at the end of year 11

### What can I do at the end of the course?

Most employers prize independent thinkers and the ability to communicate effectively. History encourages pupils to think for themselves and to carry out enquiries independently.

No subject can prepare a young person entirely for every demand of a job. Employment now demands students to be versatile and adaptable. However, History, with its enquiry focus, prepares an individual for this superbly.

History encourages oral expression and debate. These are invaluable confidence-builders for young people and preparation for post 16.

