

Verulam School: Key Stage 4 CURRICULUM INFORMATION

Department: History

Subject Leader: Mr Coughlan

Subject Vision: History at Verulam aims to develop an understanding and appreciation of England's history, as well as of other cultures so that students can make sense of the world around them. This includes learning about periods of tension and conflicts and how to make the world a better place from learning about successes as well as mistakes through time. We aim to spark a passion for history throughout life and to develop second order concepts. This involves forming an understanding of the development of the United Kingdom and an exploration of other nations and cultures throughout history. In the modern age, students need to be able to decipher media representations and distinguish between fact and opinion so that they can make sense of what is happening around them. We therefore teach our students how to engage critically with the world around them, developing the skills needed to analyse and evaluate information they are presented with before coming to an informed conclusion. Students are taught how to express their ideas in a coherent and convincing argument in a manner that is transferable to other disciplines.

	YEAR 10					
Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic/Unit Title	Anglo Saxon and Norman England. • Anglo-Saxon England and the Norman Conquest, 1060- 66	Anglo Saxon and Norman England. • William I in power: securing the kingdom, 1066-87 • Norman England, 1066-88	Russia and the Soviet Union 1917-41. The Revolutions of 1917	Russia and the Soviet Union 1917-41. Bolsheviks in power, 1917-24	Russia and the Soviet Union 1917-41. • Stalin's rise to power and dictatorship, 1924-41	Russia and the Soviet Union 1917-41. • Economic and social changes, 1924-41
	YEAR 11					
Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic/Unit Title	Cold War and International Relations 1943-91. • The Origins of the Cold War, 1941- 58	Cold War and International Relations 1943-91. Cold War Crises, 1958-70	Cold War and International Relations 1943-91. • The end of the Cold War, 1970-91	Revision	Revision	N/A