

History

Why this course is right for you

History helps us to understand our amazing world; it teaches us about human beings, allowing us to see ourselves at our best and at our worst.

If you enjoy using a mixture of evidence and imagination to explore different cultures and experiences, then History is the course for you. If you like to create arguments and defend your views through debate, you will be at home as an A Level student in this subject.

A Level History will enhance your knowledge of human experiences across a range of periods and locations; it will also develop your skills as a reader, a writer, a speaker and as a critical thinker, equipping you to understand the innovations of the present by drawing upon the experiences of the past.



Course Content

Exam board: OCR History A

Head of Department: Ashley Pearson

Year 1 Topics

- Y113 - Britain, 1930-1997
- Y209 - African Kingdoms, c1400-c1800

Year 2 Topics

- Y306 - Rebellion and Disorder under the Tudors, 1485-1603.
- Y100 - Coursework

Assessment:

- Y100 - 20%
- Y113 - 25%
- Y209 - 15%
- Y306 - 40%

Additional Experiences

Year 12 will include a trip to the Churchill War Rooms and the British Museum in London.

Subject Entry Requirements

Grade 5 in GCSE History as well as a Grade 5 in GCSE English and a genuine interest in History and the world around you.

Beyond A Levels

A knowledge of History will be useful in any field of future work or study.

People who have studied A Level History often pursue degrees in Economics, History, Journalism, PPE and Politics

Others, however, go on to study the sciences, Mathematics and Medicine.

History students enter a wide range of careers, including education, film-making, government and politics, heritage and the media.

Going further

If you think you might be interested in History, take a look at the following:

- Empire Podcast
- Not Just the Tudors Podcast
- The Rest is History Podcast
- Hope and Glory, Britain 1900-2000
- Africans, The History of A Continent.

“People are usually afraid of change because they fear the unknown. But the single greatest constant of history is that everything changes.”

Yuval Noah Harari
Homo Deus: A History of Tomorrow