



Students will build upon the skills gained at GCSE and apply them to new areas of study. Students will gain an in-depth knowledge of two fascinating areas of History.

Assessment is in the form of two written exams at the end of Year 13, each lasting 2 hours 30 minutes and a piece of coursework completed by the first term of Year 13.

Subject specific criteria:

- Grade 5 in GCSE History
- Grade 5 in GCSE English
- Grade 4 in GCSE Maths

Skills required:

- Analytical and critical thinking skills
- Independent learning
- Investigative skills
- Communication skills

Units studied:

- The Tudors: England, 1485-1603
- Revolution and dictatorship: Russia, 1917–1953
- Non-examined assessment coursework essay

Futures:

Once students have gained a History A Level they can continue their studies at university. History offers a wide range of transferable skills that are valued by universities for a range of degrees: independence, research skills, analysis and critical thinking, constructing an argument. These skills that are continually developed in a History degree are highly valued by employers in all sectors.

Subject enrichment:

History students in the past have been on trips to museums and archives, seeing historical artefacts up close and debating historical preconceptions.