# HISTORY

Pupil year: **Upper 4 (Yr 9)** 

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## SUBJECT OVERVIEW

At Key Stage 3 (years 7–9) the History course explores British History from 1066 to 1945. The students will undertake a series of enquiries into some of the key moments in our History. We will undertake a number of study visits as part of this and will make extensive use of IT, debate and role play as a means of engaging and interacting with a broad spectrum of historical evidence and ideas.

### **Subject Topic**

#### The 20Th-Century World

- The British Empire: Was it a force for good?
- Who was to blame for the Great War?
- Understanding interpretations: How accurate is the BBC's Blackadder as an interpretation of life in the trenches?
- The inter-war years: A world crisis?
- Why was there a second world war?
- What were the key turning points of the Second World War?
- How should we remember the Holocaust?
- From the kitchen to the boardroom: how did the 20th century transform women's lives?

#### Skills / Attitudes

- Interpretation of evidence- types of evidence used include written, pictorial, film and visits to historical sites.
- Variety of methods and media for presenting written work including structuring persuasive paragraphs, evidence analysis skills, historical essay skills and presentation skills.
- Understanding cause and consequence
- Exploration of relative importance of several linked causes (The many reasons for the outbreak of war in 1914).
- Individual research will be covered, including the use of first-hand evidence and the evaluation of sources.
- Increased use of film and multi-media presentation.