

# HISTORY

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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.

In Upper 4 our students will focus on the modern world, 1750 to the present day, and undertake a series of enquiries into some of the key events in this period.

### **Subject / Topic**

- The British Empire: Was it a force for good?
- Who was most to blame for the Great War?
- Understanding interpretations: How accurate is the BBC's 'Blackadder' as a representation of life in the trenches?
- The inter-war years: A crisis of democracy?
- How far was Hitler to blame for the Second World War?
- Turning points of the Second World War: When was the war won?
- How should we remember the Holocaust?
- From the kitchen to the boardroom: how did the 20th century transform women's lives?

### **Skills / Attitudes**

- Interpretation and evaluation of evidence
- Developing 'complex analysis' within extended writing
- Understanding cause and consequence
- Exploration of relative importance of several linked causes (The many reasons for the outbreak of war in 1914)
- Developing individual research skills, including the use of first-hand evidence and the evaluation of sources
- Understanding Britain's place within the wider world
- Understanding diversity within Britain