

Course information for Parents

Year/ Key Stage: 3 Subject: History

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Subject Content: Key Stage Three History at the Hazeley Academy is very much focussed on two core objectives. The first objective is to provide students with the best possible understanding of our history, learning key lessons from core episodes of history. The second is to prepare our students for GCSE History and beyond. The emphasis which we have on learning the core skills is inherent and we strive to ensure that we are preparing our students as well as possible for their future. The content that we cover ranges from 1066 and the Norman Conquest through to present day. In Year Seven students will exam the Norman Conquest and the key events of Medieval History such as King John's reign and the Magna Carta. Year Seven continue their historical learning with case studies on the Tudors and finish with a study of the Industrial Revolution and British expansion. Year Eight is spent studying the key events of the 20th Century. We begin looking at the Edwardians, including studies of the Titanic, Suffragettes and Empire. This is followed by a case study of the two World Wars and the 'Inter-War Years' in the United States. We continue our study with the Holocaust and finish the year studying the Post-War World, which aims to help students to understand how the world has evolved into the place it now is.

Additional Equipment Needed (Ingredients, headphones, PE kit, etc.)

All students will be supplied with an exercise book in their first lesson and will need no other equipment for their History lessons apart from their standard school stationary. Students will be engaging in homework projects throughout the course, and therefore additional resources may be required to create these.

Assessment Details:

To be successful students will need to be able to: Each aspect of the course will be assessed using GCSE style questions that will require students to be able to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the topics when answering questions based on different sources and interpretations of historical events during each period studied. All assessments in Key Stage Three History will be graded using the new 9 – 1 grading system along with exam board mark schemes and grade boundaries. Students will also have additional creative assessments, and therefore we encourage students to think of a variety of ways to demonstrate their understanding.

Each assessment point will be reflected upon to allow the students to progress. Also students will be given fair notice and preparation time for each assessment.

What can I do to support my child at home?

The first method of support which we can encourage is communication. We cover nearly 1000 years of history and therefore we would like our students to be able to share their learning as much as possible. Secondly, homework will be regularly set for history students. This homework will either be in the form of an extended project or homework booklet which has four-mark GCSE style questions as tasks. We would like to encourage you to support your children as much as possible with this whilst encouraging them to work independently to the best of their ability. Encouraging your children to research beyond their classroom learning is also a brilliant way of maximising learning.

Recommended resources for the course:**Websites:**

<http://www.mrallsophistory.com/revision/>

<http://www.johndclare.net/>

<https://www.bbc.com/education/subjects/zk26n39>

Books:

Horrible Histories, Terry Deary and Peter Happlewhite

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