Curriculum Summary Document

Year 10 – History

Continuity, Change, Progress and Power

Throughout Year 10, students investigate how societies respond to challenges, innovations and political change. Through studies of medicine from Medieval England to the modern era and the rise of Nazi Germany, students develop their understanding of change and continuity, causation, significance, interpretations and evidence. These disciplinary concepts underpin success in GCSE History and help students understand how the past continues to shape the modern world.

Module/Unit of Learning	Taught During	What will students learn?	How does this help to build a broad and strong foundation?	Links to Other Subjects
Edexcel Paper 1: Medicine Through Time Key Topics 1 & 2: What was medicine like in Medieval England? How did the Renaissance develop medical understanding?	Autumn One	Students explore beliefs about the causes of disease and illness in Medieval and Renaissance England. They investigate prevention, treatment and care, alongside key case studies including the Black Death, William Harvey and the Great Plague of 1665.	Students develop an understanding of change and continuity over time while analysing the factors that influenced medical progress.	Science, Religious Studies, Health & Social Care
Edexcel Paper 1: Medicine Through Time Key Topics 3 & 4: Why did medical understanding advance in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries? How has modern medicine advanced?	Autumn Two	Students examine developments in medicine during the Industrial Revolution and modern period, including surgery, vaccination, public health and scientific discoveries.	Students develop causal reasoning and learn to evaluate why medical breakthroughs occurred at different points in history.	Science, Sociology, Health & Social Care
Depth Study: What were the challenges and successes of medicine in the trenches of WWI?	Spring One	Students investigate injuries, treatment and conditions on the Western Front during the First World War. They examine how war accelerated medical innovation and use sources to investigate historical interpretations.	Develops GCSE source analysis skills and deepens understanding of how historical events drive change.	Science, English, Life: Citizenship
Edexcel Paper 3: Weimar and Nazi Germany Key	Spring Two	Students investigate the challenges faced by Germany after the First World War, the strengths and	Students develop understanding of	Life: Citizenship/Politics, Sociology

Topic 1: What was the impact of the First World War? Key Topic 2: How did Hitler rise to power?		weaknesses of the Weimar Republic and the factors that enabled Hitler and the Nazi Party to gain support.	causation, consequence and the impact of economic and political instability on society.	
Edexcel Paper 3: Weimar and Nazi Germany Key Topic 3: How did the Nazis create a dictatorship?	Summer One	Students investigate how the Nazi regime established total control, including the use of propaganda, censorship, terror and political change.	Students explore how power can be gained and maintained while developing analytical and evaluative skills.	Life: Citizenship/Politics, Religious Studies
Edexcel Paper 3: Weimar and Nazi Germany Key Topic 4: What was it like to live in Nazi Germany?	Summer Two	Students examine everyday life under Nazi rule, including the experiences of young people, women, workers, minority groups and those who opposed the regime.	Students develop their understanding of diversity, discrimination, human rights and the impact of dictatorship on ordinary people.	Life: Citizenship, Sociology, Religious Studies