



BEAUCHAMPS HIGH SCHOOL

GCSE History

Career Opportunities:

By completing a GCSE in History, students are found to have learned key skills that are desired when it comes to employability. Throughout your studies, you will enhance your ability to research, gain strong analytical skills and improve your communication skills. The world is ever changing around us and studying History gives you an opportunity to heighten your understanding of current affairs by looking at past events. These transferable skills are looked for in many fields including law, archaeology, teaching, business, and economics.

Areas of study:

The course is made up of 4 key units, looking at History across a broad time span.

Paper 1:

Medicine in Britain, c.1250-Present & The British Sector of the Western Front, 1914-18

Paper 2:

Superpower Relations & The Cold War, 1941-91
Henry VIII & His Ministers, 1509-40

Paper 3:

Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918-39

We do NOT study WW1 or WW2 outside of medicine on the Western Front



Why Study History?

In History we study lots of different sources and learn that events are often the result of complex and multiple factors. It's never as simple as person A not liking person B and starting a war. Politics, communication, beliefs, misunderstandings and even the environment can shape the way things turn out. This allows you to formulate a well-rounded opinion and be able to justify your opinion in any walk of life.

Assessment:

There will be 3 examinations:

Paper one on Medicine in Britain, 1 hour 15 minutes and worth 52 marks

Paper two is split into two units of study – Superpower Relations and Henry VIII, 1 hour 45 minutes and worth 64 marks (32 per unit)

Paper three on Weimar & Nazi Germany, 1 hour 20 minutes, and worth 52 marks

People who study history are fearless explorers of the past. They investigate past politics, societies, cultures, health, education, money, conflicts and more, look at how things have developed over time and connect the dots to understand how we got where we are today.