

Welcome to

History



What will you learn about in History?

From the moment students enter the History department in year 7 they begin a chronological study designed to help them understand the world and country they live in today. In depth studies begin with an investigation into England and the Norman conquest. Whilst the battle is investigated it is how the event changed England that is studied further. The conflict between the Church and Crown becomes a major theme taking students on to studies into the Black Death and the subsequent Peasants revolt. The links between these complex events are expanded and students are encouraged to not just make links with other parts of History, but to also draw comparison with modern Britain and the world. By the time students get to the summer term, they will have a clear idea of how Britain became a stable and successful country and will begin to develop their understanding of how Britain became a world leader by looking at the Tudor dynasty. Concepts such as empire, war and reformation will be studied and students will once again be expected to draw comparisons from across the History that has been studied throughout the year and beyond.

Why is it so important to study History?

History is unique in that the content investigated gives students a clear idea of how and why the world is shaped as it is. Many major news stories today are not entirely "new" and History lessons aim to demonstrate this to all students. Issues such as fake news, political misinformation, terrorism and migration have been around for thousands of years and an aim of History at Durrington is to help students with their understanding of these events. History continues to be one of the most academically respected subjects and not only does its study ensure a well rounded understanding, it can also lead to many different careers varying from journalism, law and even areas such as advertising and finance. Historians are well known for having excellent analytical skills and this makes history graduates sought after for a variety of different careers.

GCSE Results 2020

Name	Entries	9 - 4 %	9 - 5 %	9 - 7 %
History	138	70%	59%	30%

Department Leadership



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“History is the subject that I enjoy the most. Not only is it interesting, but it also gives me the chance to improve my written skills. I love GCSE History.”

Riley, year 11