

The purpose of studying History at NKS is... At NKS, History is a valued academic discipline which aims to broaden understanding of political, economic, social, military, cultural and intellectual developments in the past. The NKS History Department has constructed a cumulative curriculum which aspires to broaden and refine subject knowledge from Years 7-13. Students are taught how to communicate their ideas effectively, in written answers and verbally. We enable students to analyse the events which continue to shape our lives on a local, national and global level. The History Department's aim, is to create self-assured and resilient learners, with the ability to think critically about the past, and gain a level of mastery in subject knowledge. This critical thinking is applied in the evaluation of historical sources and interpretations, whilst also allowing students to immerse themselves in contemporary controversies involving History (e.g. empire, immigration etc). By allowing students to explore the events and ideas which have fed into the debate about 'British Values', they will gain a more complex and secure appreciation of concepts like tolerance, democracy, liberty, endeavour, diversity, responsibility and community.

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Year 7

Prior to joining NKS students will have studied the National Curriculum History topics up to and including Anglo-Saxon England

Our curriculum builds on and extends this by extending the chronology into the medieval era and introducing specialist historical concept and debates.

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Content – Knowledge and Understanding	Why was 1066 a year of crisis in England? Anglo-Saxon England, 1066 and after How did Ashford develop in the Anglo-Saxon and Norman era?	Why was the Medieval Church so powerful? Does Becket deserve the reputation of Martyr? England: Church, Crown and People	In breaking from Rome, was Henry VIII driven more by love, money or power? Reformation/Tudors	How did the power of the monarchy change over the 17 th C? Why did the English go to war with themselves in 1642? English Civil War to Glorious Revolution/Evidence	Why did the British have an empire and how did it evolve over time?	From conquest to contribution: how has immigration to the British Isles changed over 2,000 years? 2000 Years of Migration to Britain/ long-term change
Examples of skills	Causation and consequence	Introducing Historical	Causation and consequence	Change and Continuity	Historical Evidence	Long-Term Change &
and concepts	e.g. Kingship	Interpretations	Lutheran	Historical Evidence (inference	(evaluating)	Continuity
(For a full list of	Primogeniture	The Church (as organisation not a	Protestant	and utility)	Mughal Empire	Knowledge and
substantive	Claim (to throne)	building)	Catholic		Colony	communication
concepts, see	Legitimacy	Roman Catholic Church	Heir	Civil War	Imperialism	
SOW)	Illegitimacy	Pope/Papacy	Corruption	Parliament	Company (e.g. East India)	Anglo-Saxons
	Monarchy	Faith	Royal Finances	Absolute Monarchy	Profit	Normans
	Oath	Power	Papacy	Taxation	Cash Crops	Huguenots
	Earl	Pilgrimage	Corruption	Parliamentary Privilege	Natives/Native populations	Black Tudors/Georgians

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Assessment	Why did William win the Battle of Hastings? Essay	Does Becket deserve to be known as a martyr? Museum Display	In breaking from Rome, was Henry VIII driven more by love, money or power? Essay	What can 17 th C sources reveal about the causes of the English Civil War? Speech	How useful are th an historian study defeat at Isandlwa
Enrichment and extension	Student Alternative History Society Trip and/or History Enrichment Day				



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Year 8

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C ontent – Knowledge and Understanding	Slave Trade/Industrial Revolution/Local vs National	WWI – trench warfare; Allied victory/German defeat	Treaty of Versailles Dictators' methods of control Causes of WWII	WWII – key turning point Dunkirk – interpretations Why did the Allies win WWII?	Holocaust	Evolution of Democracy and Rights in Britain 19th-20 th C
Examples of skills and concepts For a full list of substantive concepts, see SOW)	Change and Continuity Triangular trade; slavery; Middle Passage; Human Rights Plantation Social impact Urbanisation Migration Revolution Industry Entrepreneurs Factories Working class	Historical evidenceAssassinationImperialismNationalism (incl Balkannationalism)MilitarismAlliance SystemRevanchismPan-SlavismGreat Power conflictExpansionismWar of movementTrenchMachine gunArtilleryWar on two frontsInfantry	Historical InterpretationsTreatyDisarmamentPolish CorridorConcessionReparationsPropagandaTerrorControlSecret PoliceCampsRepressionCoercionConsentNazi ideologyExpansionismAnti-SemitismAnti-communism	Ultimatum Invasion Phoney War BEF Blitzkrieg Retreat/rout Evacuation Operation Sealion Fighter plane Bomber Radar Spitfire/Hurricane RAF/Luftwaffe Blitz Hiroshima	Interpretations Zyklon B Untermenschen T-4 Program Shoah Nuremberg Laws Ghetto Kristallnacht Lebensraum Holocaust Gas Chambers Concentration Camp Extermination Camp Resistance Auschwitz-Birkenau Antisemitism	Change and Continuity Peterloo Political Reform Suffragists Expansion of the Franchise Suffragettes Representation of the People Act 1969
Assessment	Group presentations into local and national impact of the industrial revolution	Cavalry Source utility evaluation. Source question	Did the dictators rule more through terror or popularity? Museum display	Why did the Allies win WWII? Essay	Should we teach more about Jewish resistance to the Holocaust? Speech	End of year exam

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Year 9

Our Y9 curriculum builds on and extends the work done in Y8 by summarising key themes in our GCSE foundation course. Students begin with the thematic study (Britain: Health & the People) to promote chronological understanding in the light of the foundation course. The curriculum is broadened out by a highly-focused depth study on Norman England in Terms 4-6.

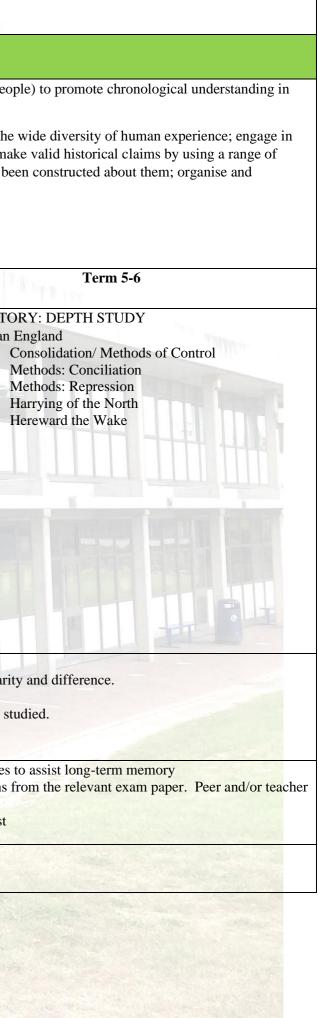
Units are sequenced to help students: develop and extend their knowledge and understanding of specified key events, periods and societies in local, British, and wider world history; and of the wide diversity of human experience; engage in historical enquiry to develop as independent learners and as critical and reflective thinkers; develop the ability to ask relevant questions about the past, to investigate issues critically and to make valid historical claims by using a range of sources in their historical context; develop an awareness of why people, events and developments have been accorded historical significance and how and why different interpretations have been constructed about them; organise and communicate their historical knowledge and understanding in different ways and reach substantiated conclusions.

It prepares students for the GCSE programme by covering the required topics and exam question

Paper 1: Germany/WWI; Paper 2: Health & the People/Norman England

	Term 1-2	Term 3 - 4	
Content – Knowledge and Understanding	Foundation Course - 1000 year 'big history': Politics Economics Society Culture Military Science	 BRITISH HISTORY: THEMATIC STUDY: Britain: Health and the People 1000 A.D. – the present 19th and 20th C Health BRITISH HISTORY: DEPTH STUDY Norman England 1066-1100: Conquest 	BRITISH HISTO
	 BRITISH HISTORY: THEMATIC STUDY: Britain: Health and the People 1000 A.D. – the present Medieval and Early Modern Medicine 		
Examples of skills	AO1: demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features an		
and concepts	AO3: analyse, evaluate and use sources (contemporary to the period) to	econd-order historical concepts like continuity, change, cause, consequence, o make substantiated judgements, in the context of historical events studied. pretations (including how and why interpretations may differ) in the context	
Assessment	Weekly Quizzes to assist long-term memory Exam questions from the relevant exam paper. Peer and/or teacher assessed	Weekly Quizzes to assist long-term memory Exam questions from the relevant exam paper. Peer and/or teacher assessed	Weekly Quizzes Exam questions f assessed End of year test
Enrichment and extension	NKS GCSE Foundation course – based on degree structure – onlin	ne thematic lectures followed up by class activities	

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Year 10

Our Y10 curriculum builds on and extends the work done in Y9 by developing student understanding of the impact of the Normans. Students are given the opportunity to revise their Y9 Hea Term 3). Paper 1 (modern history) is scheduled after paper 2 because of paper 1's greater level of conceptual challenge (e.g. left-wing/right-wing). Y10 are more likely to access such things a we return to the Normans Depth Study to tackle the Historic Environment topic as the exam board will have published the necessary resource pack, by that point. We use this as an opportunit pack. Students sit a Normans PPE.

	Term 1-2	Term 3 - 4	
Content – Knowledge and Understanding	Norman England 1066-1100 (cont'd) Impact on society and economy Impact on religion Impact on culture, education etc.	Germany 1890-1945 Kaiser Wilhelm and the problems facing the Second Reich Weimar Germany and rise of Hitler	Nazi Germany: N Nazi Economy; Ir Evolution of anti- Term 6 Normans
and concepts	AO3: analyse, evaluate and use sources (contemporary to the period) to AO4: analyse, evaluate and make substantiated judgements about interp	cond-order historical concepts like continuity, change, cause, consequence, make substantiated judgements, in the context of historical events studied. retations (including how and why interpretations may differ) in the context	of historical events stu
Examples of skills and concepts Assessment	AO2: explain and analyse historical events and periods studied using se AO3: analyse, evaluate and use sources (contemporary to the period) to	cond-order historical concepts like continuity, change, cause, consequence, make substantiated judgements, in the context of historical events studied.	
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Term 5-6
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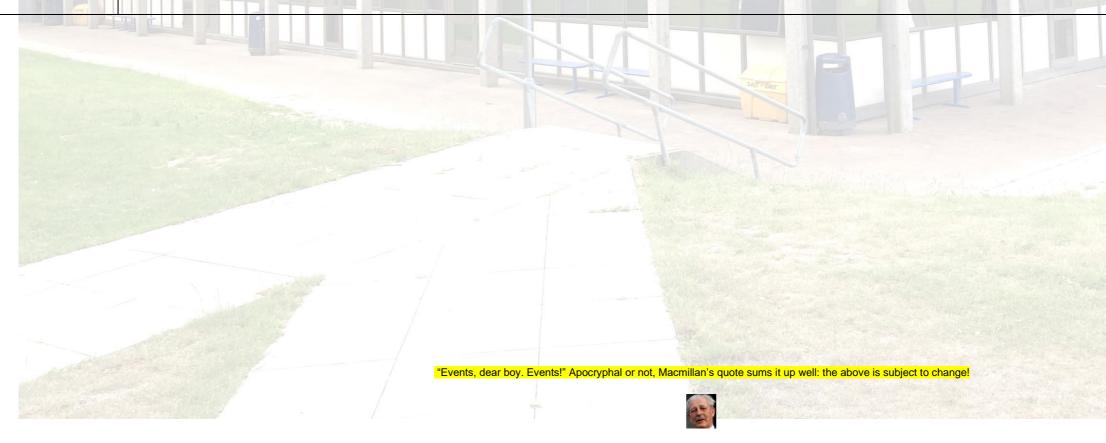


Year 11

Our Y11 curriculum builds on and extends the work done in Y10 by revising/summarising any necessary topics from the previous two terms (especially Germany) (*Summer 2020 changes – email rgray@nks.kent.sch.uk for details). The WWI topic is scheduled after the study of Germany so that students can better understand the diplomatic events of the 1890s-1914, having already briefly studied the Kaiser's foreign policy plans and methods as part of the Germany 1890-1945 topic.

Students take a full Paper 2 PPE in Nov to provide another revision stepping-stone, bridging the gap between Y9 and the end of Y11. Students sit a full Paper 1 PPE in the more recent topics (Germany and WWI) in Feb/March.

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term
Content – Knowledge and Understanding	Germany 1890-1945 - revision WWI Causes WWI 1894-1914 Tensions and international crises		Course of WWI 1914-1918 Development of trench warfare, key Reasons for Allied victory in Nov 19 Revision		Revision
Examples of skills and concepts	AO1: demonstrate knowledge and unde AO2: explain and analyse historical ev AO3: analyse, evaluate and use sources AO4: analyse, evaluate and make subst	ents and periods studied using seco s (contemporary to the period) to m	nd-order historical concepts like continuake substantiated judgements, in the co	ontext of historical events studied.	
Assessment	Weekly Quizzes to assist long-term memory Exam questions from the relevant exam paper. Peer and/or teacher assessed Nov/Dec Full Paper 2 PPE (Both Health & Normans) *This may be affected by AQA final exam changes email rgray@nks.kent.sch.uk for details		Weekly Quizzes to assist long-term r Exam questions from the relevant exa assessed Feb/March Paper 1 PPE Germany	am paper. Peer and/or teacher	Revision tests Revision sessions
Enrichment and extension	Intervention sessions – stretch and ch Potential overseas trip in future year			14	TATE



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Year 12

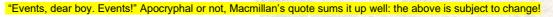
Prior to commencing A Level students will have studied GCSE History. An understanding of students' starting points is achieved by an initial piece of writing in the first two week on this by offering new topics and eras of study as well as more advanced skills and conceptual challenge.

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5
Content – Knowledge and Understanding	 Component 1: Russia 1855-17 and 1 Trying to preserve autocracy, 1855 Political authority and the sta Russia in 1855 and the impace Political authority and attemp domestic and military reform Government and Tsars: Alexa autocracy; key developments Political authority in action: H Opposition: ideas and ideology 	1917-64 —1894 te of Russia: autocracy; the political, t of the Crimean War ts at reform: Alexander II; emancipa ander II and Alexander III as rulers; a Russification; treatment of ethnic mir gies; individuals; liberals and radical	social and economic condition of tion of the serfs and attempts at attitudes to and imposition of norities and Jews groups and the Tsarist reaction	 The collapse of autocracy, 1894 Political authority, governn 1905 Revolution; Duma go Economic developments to Social developments to 191 countryside; social division Opposition: ideas and ideol groups Political authority, oppositi social problems of wartime developments of 1917 	1917 hent and Tsar; Nichol vernment 1914: industrial and 4: change and condit s; cultural changes ogies, liberalism, soc on and the state of Ru
	 Economic and social developments: industrial developments and the land issue; social divisions; nobles, landowners and position of the peasantry; the cultural influence of the Church Component 2 England 1450-71 and 1471-99 + NEA (coursework) US Foreign Policy c1898-c2000 The origins of conflict, 1450-1459 English society and politics in 1450: Expectations of medieval kings The weakness of Henry VI's rule; The impact on English politics of the emerging power and influence of Richard of York 1450-55 Development of vendettas/blood feuds as a consequence of St Albans The uneasy peace 1455-59. 			 Political authority, oppositi Bolshevik government by I The Triumph of the Yorkists 146. The personal rule of Edwar Consolidation of power and Political impact of his marr Treatment and promotion o Warwick the Kingmaker Attempts to restore Henry V 	December 1917; oppo 1-1471 d IV I dealing with pockets iage to Elizabeth Wo f Woodvilles
	 The War of the Barons, 1459-1461 Military developments Political developments Yorkist Victory NEA – History of USA and its Foreign Policy – lectures and research				
Examples of skills and concepts					aking substantiated ju
Assessment	 Weekly Quizzes Regular timed essays Pre-Public Exams (mocks) Revision games/activiteis Presentations 				

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Enrichment and	Previous years have included:	
extension options	Debate activities	
	Student History Conference	
	NKS Alternative History Society	
	Lecture visits/online	
ð.,	Visits to local universities such as Kent University	
	(There may be the possibility of future residential trips after restrictions are lifted)	



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Year 13

Our Y13 curriculum builds on and extends the work done in Y12 by completing the study of the entire era. Students can expect questions drawn from a broader time period. The evaluation of sources and interpretations will take into account a greater level of maturity and contextual understanding. Units are sequenced to secure both chronological and thematic understanding in line with the specification set out by the exam board.

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term
Content – Knowledge and Understanding	 The emergence of Communist dictatorship, 1917—1941 Political authority and government: new leaders and ideologies; Lenin's Russia, ideology and change; Stalin's rise, ideology and change Political authority and government: the consolidation of Bolshevik authority and development of the Stalinist dictatorship Economic developments: Lenin's decrees; the Stalinist economy; collectivisation and the Five Year Plans Social developments: effect of Leninist/Stalinist rule on class, women, young people, religion and national minorities; propaganda and cultural change Opposition: faction; the Red Terror and the purges The political, economic and social condition of the Soviet Union by 1941 		 The Stalinist dictatorship and reaction, 1941—1964 Political authority, opposition and the state of the Soviet Union in wartime: the political, economic and social impact of war, effect on Stalin, government and 'the people' Political authority and government to 1953: High Stalinism; the revival of terror; destruction of 'supposed' opposition and cult of personality; the power vacuum on Stalin's death Political authority and government: Khrushchev's rise to power; policies and ideology; de-Stalimsation; political and party change Economic and social developments: changes in industrial 		Revision and final of
	 France, Burgundy, Scotland, New methods of government Factional rivalries 	Authority les, John De Vere ans consolidate Ed's power in England: Brittany t	 The Downfall of the Yorkist Mona The Coup d'état by Richard Strengths & Weaknesses of Downfall of RIII The End of the Yorkist Dyna Yorkist opposition to Henry The Lovell Revolt/Simnel an Attempts to maintain the Yo Margaret of Burgundy examand weaknesses Impact of the WoR on Engli Impact on Trade and the eco 	of Gloucester RIII's position in 1484 asty 1486-99 VII nd his rebellion rkist cause ples of her intervention - strengths sh society by 1499 mmons	Revision and final
Examples of skills and concepts	AO1 Demonstrate, organise and communicate knowledge and understanding to analyse and evaluate the key features related to the periods studied, making substantiated is and exploring concepts, as relevant, of cause, consequence, change, continuity, similarity, difference and significance. AO2 Analyse and evaluate appropriate source material, primary and/or contemporary to the period, within its historical context. AO3 Analyse and evaluate, in relation to the historical context, different ways in which aspects of the past have been interpreted.				

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Enrichment and extension	 Previous years have included: Debate activities Student History Conference NKS Alternative History Society Lecture visits/online Visits to local universities such as Kent University (There may be the possibility of future residential trips after restrictions are lifted) 	
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