

# Subject Overview HISTORY– Year 7

Students will build on any relevant learning from primary school, following four main themes of History throughout Key Stage 3: Life & Society, Conflict, Power & Protest, and Empire. Timings are approximate.

	Half Term 1	Half Term 2	Half Term 3	Half Term 4	Half Term 5	Half Term 6
<b>Knowledge &amp; Skills</b>	<p><b>Unit 1: What impact did the Romans have on Britain? (10 Lessons)</b></p> <p>Key theme: Empire</p> <p>Knowledge gained:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early immigration to Britain.</li> <li>• Why the Romans built an Empire.</li> <li>• Reasons for the Roman Army's success.</li> <li>• Advantages and disadvantages of Roman rule.</li> </ul> <p>Skills &amp; Concepts:</p> <p>Chronology Utility Change and Continuity</p> <p><b>Unit 2: What was conflict like in the Middle Ages? (13 Lessons)</b> Key theme: Conflict</p> <p>See half term 2.</p>	<p><b>Unit 2 (cont.) What was conflict like in the Middle Ages?</b></p> <p>Knowledge gained:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Causes and consequences of the Battle of Hastings.</li> <li>• The Crusades.</li> <li>• The Hundred Years War.</li> </ul> <p>Skills &amp; Concepts: Change and Continuity Interpretations Cause and Consequence</p> <p><b>Unit 3: What was life like in Medieval Britain? (12 Lessons)</b> Key theme: Life &amp; Society</p> <p>Knowledge gained:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How did William the Conqueror change England?</li> <li>• Life in Medieval Towns and Villages.</li> <li>• The Black Death.</li> </ul> <p>Skills &amp; Concepts: Change and Continuity Cause and Consequence Significance</p>	<p><b>Unit 3 (cont.) What was life like in Medieval Britain?</b></p> <p><b>Unit 4: How did the power of King and Church change over time? (12 Lessons)</b> Key theme: Power &amp; Protest</p> <p>Knowledge gained:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The reign of King John.</li> <li>• The Magna Carta.</li> <li>• The first parliaments</li> <li>• The Peasants' Revolt.</li> </ul> <p>Skills &amp; Concepts: Interpretations Cause and Consequence</p>	<p><b>Unit 4: (cont.) How did the power of King and Church change over time?</b></p> <p><b>Unit 5: What was life like under the Tudors and Stuarts? (16 Lessons)</b> Key theme: Life &amp; Society</p> <p>Knowledge gained:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The reign of Elizabeth I and challenges to her rule.</li> <li>• The experience of women.</li> <li>• Elizabethan theatre.</li> <li>• The witch craze</li> <li>• The Gunpowder Plot.</li> <li>• The Great Fire of London.</li> </ul> <p>Skills &amp; Concepts: Change and Continuity Utility</p>	<p><b>Unit 5 (cont.) What was life like under the Tudors and Stuarts? (cont.)</b></p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p><b>Assessment 1</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roman Britain</li> <li>• Medieval Conflict</li> <li>• Medieval Life</li> <li>• Power of king &amp; Church</li> </ul> </div>	<p><b>Unit 5 (cont.) What was life like under the Tudors and Stuarts? (cont.)</b></p> <p><b>Unit 6: History Mysteries (6 Lessons)</b></p> <p>Knowledge gained:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stonehenge.</li> <li>• The curse of Tutankhamun.</li> <li>• The Princes in the Tower.</li> <li>• Jack the Ripper.</li> <li>• The Titanic.</li> <li>• The moon landings.</li> </ul> <p>Skills &amp; Concepts: Interpretations Evidence &amp; enquiry</p>
	<p>See next page for "Beyond The Curriculum"</p>					

Beyond The Curriculum

- **Suggested places to visit:** numerous sites along Hadrian's Wall e.g. Housesteads Fort, Birdoswald
- **Suggested Reading:** Roman Diary – The Journal of Lliona, a young slave; Roman Boy; The Mark of a Thief; Empire's End: A Roman Story; The Roman Mysteries series.
- **Suggested watching:** Film: 'Ben Hur'; Documetaries: Secrets of Great British Castles.

- **Suggested places to visit:** Various local castles in Yorkshire e.g, Conisbrough, Scarborough, Sandal Helmsley; Wharram Percy medieval village; York Minster; Fountain's Abbey.
- **Suggested Reading:** Crispin: the Cross of Lead; The Crowfield Curse; A Proud Taste for Scarlett and Miniver; The Secret in the Tower.
- **Suggested watching:** Film: A Knight's Tale

- **Suggested places to visit:** Hardwick Hall
- **Suggested Reading:** The Queen's Spies; The Diary of Kitty Lumsden, 1583-1586; Cue for Treason.
- **Suggested watching:** Documentary: The Pendle Witch Child.