

RGS History and Politics Department 2017-8



Course Summaries

Timing	1st Form	2nd Form	3rd Form	4th Form	5th Form
Autumn Term 1st half	Introduction to the Middle Ages. The Norman Conquest in 1066. How William gained control of England.	Royalty and the Rights of Parliament. The English Civil War 1642-1649.	The Industrial Revolution.	Why did Chamberlain's policy of appeasement fail to prevent the outbreak of war in 1939? Begin Germany 1890-1945: Democracy and dictatorship.	Reform and reformers Equality and rights
Autumn Term 2nd half	Aspects of Medieval life. The Medieval Church. King versus Church: Henry II and Thomas Becket.	Britain 1750-1900. The Industrial Revolution and the British Empire.	Slavery in the British Empire.	Germany, the growth of democracy. Germany and the Depression.	A British depth study
Spring Term 1st half	The Black Death 1347-1350. Examining its causes and impact on medieval England.	The First World War. Stalemate and life in the trenches.	Begin GCSE course. How did the Treaty of Versailles establish peace?	The Rise of Hitler and the Nazis.	Mock exam. Finish Depth Study
Spring Term 2nd half	Religious Change and Intellectual Enlightenment. Joint study of the Renaissance and Martin Luther's European Reformation.	The First World War. The Battle of the Somme, technology of war and how did the war come to an end?	Why did the League of Nations fail in its aim to keep peace?	The experiences of Germans under the Nazis.	Revision
Summer Term 1st half	Renaissance and Reformation study continued. Revision	Political Change. How did British women gain the vote? Revision Ypres and the First World War battlefields trip.	How did Hitler challenge and exploit the Treaty of Versailles 1933 - March - 1938	Britain: power and the people, c1170 to the present day.	Revision and study leave
Summer Term 2nd half	Exams Castles depth study Bodiam Castle trip.	Exams Family History Project	Revision for summer examination Why did Chamberlain's policy of appeasement fail to prevent the outbreak of war in 1939?	Reform and reformers Equality and rights Revision Exams	

Summaries of A-level courses can be obtained from the History department.