

## **Curriculum overview:**

### **Key theme: Protest and Change**

History in Year 8 is designed to provide a thematic curriculum with a combination of depth and breadth of knowledge. The course focuses on Britain and their relationship with the wider world covering Pre-1066 to the present day.

Learning is designed around different enquiry questions that will aim to embed the historical skills needed at KS4. There is a strong focus on source analysis and developing extended writing.

### **The key topics are:**

1. Challenges to Medieval Kings
2. Religious Conflict in the 1600s
3. The Slave Trade
4. Women & Protest – Local study
5. Twentieth Century Conflicts: The Holocaust
6. Immigration – a Social history study

## **Homework & assessments overview:**

Independent Learning Projects will be set each half term to enrich and further develop learning outside of the classroom. Each Independent Learning Project will require students to complete a final piece of work based on their own research and learning in class.

**Assessment under the National Curriculum Standards each half term.**

## **Useful websites:**

[www.historylearningsite.co.uk](http://www.historylearningsite.co.uk)  
<http://spartacus-educational.com/>

## **Practical tips /activities for parents to support learning at home:**

Free Museums: British Museum, Museum of Childhood, Museum of London.  
Reading at home to improve literacy – historical fiction available from the department.  
Access to the above websites.