

Year 8

HISTORY

Curriculum Content

- The mystery of the Princes in the Tower.
- Henry VIII, with an especial focus on the career of Anne Boleyn and the mystery surrounding her death.
- The careers of Mary, Queen of Scots and Elizabeth I.
- The death of Charles I.
- The career of Charles II.

Knowledge, skills and understanding

The Year 8 course builds upon the knowledge, skills and understanding taught in Year 7 and seeks to increase the degree of sophistication with which our girls handle these areas. Specific abilities addressed are:

- an understanding of cause and effect
- the use of knowledge to solve problems and to produce explanation
- increasingly confident mastery of the basic skills of source analysis
- organised, extended writing
- empathy with individuals from the past
- note-taking
- independent research
- the use of ICT to word process and to research
- recall.

Assessment opportunities

As in Year 7, throughout the year ongoing tasks of written explanation and source analysis will be set by individual teachers.

At the end of each topic a common assignment will be set across the year group.

Periodically recall tests will be set.

End of year examination.