



KS3 HISTORY CURRICULUM PLAN

At CP Riverside School, our KS3 History curriculum aims to inspire curiosity about the past and develop critical thinking skills. We believe that understanding history is essential for students to make sense of the present and engage thoughtfully with the future. Our aim is to foster a love for history by encouraging students to explore diverse historical narratives and develop a passion for learning about different cultures, societies, and time periods. Students will develop critical thinking skills by equipping them with the ability to analyse sources, evaluate evidence, and construct well-reasoned arguments. This includes understanding bias, perspective, and the complexities of historical interpretation. Studying History will also incite a student's appreciation for the diverse experiences of individuals and communities throughout time. Students make connections between historical events and contemporary issues, emphasising the relevance of history in understanding current societal challenges.

	KS3 - Year 1	KS3 - Year 2
AUTUMN 1	Introduction to History: Timelines, Terminology and their own history World War One Causes Life in the trenches Recruitment Rationing - The Home Front	Victorian Britain - A British Period Study Living conditions in industrial towns Impact of poor living conditions Great inventions Crime and Punishment Jack the Ripper
AUTUMN 2	Nazi Growth and World War Two Early years of the Nazi party Hitler coming to power Nazi Germany Life in WW1 Anti-semitism How did WWII end? Trip to the Imperial War Museum	Developing the Health of the Nation During WW1 The historical context of Medicine and WW1 Trench warfare Medical problems on the Western Front Helping the wounded The significance of the Western Front for experiments in surgery and medicine
SPRING 1	WWII - Holocaust Concentration Camps 'Final Solution' Yellow Stars Legacy of the Holocaust Trip to The National Holocaust Centre & Museum	WWII - Holocaust Anti Semitism Persecution 1933-35 Kristallnacht Ghettos Warsaw Ghetto Auschwitz
SPRING 2	Civil Rights The long struggle 1960s USA Migration - Windrush Refugees	Life in the 1950s What was life like for teenagers in the 1950s? The Baby Boom New inventions like television Music and fashion after the war How families lived in the 1950s
SUMMER 1	Modern Conflicts and Social Change 'The Troubles', 1969–1998 War in Afghanistan, 2001–2021 Ukraine Conflict, 2014-present Human rights	1960'S Britain Teenage Identity and Youth Culture Women: feminism, liberation, sex and family planning Liberated Britain: Modern migration, 1900 to the present day. Beatlemania The Kray Twins: criminality and celebrity. The Death Penalty: abolition of the death penalty Abortion and the legalisation of homosexuality
SUMMER 2	Local History/ Project - Nottingham	The Counties Lace and Textiles - Nottingham

	Coal et al mining and the railways - Derby Lincolnshire - farming and bomber command Northamptonshire - tanneries and shoes Leicestershire - DNA fingerprinting
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