HISTORY YEAR 9

AUTUMN 1

A Century of Conflict?

Causes of WW1.
Conscription.
Turning points in the war.
The Battle of the Somme – was it a disaster?
Trench life.

WW1 - Aftermath?

Why did the war come to an end?
What was the legacy of the war in Europe?

Prior Learning Enquiry

Students may have looked at some of the weapons and trench life in primary school.

CAREERS LINKS

Journalism

Political advisor

Solicitor

Police

Teaching

Museum curator

Human resources

Marketing

Charities

Banking

TV and Radio broadcasting

AUTUMN 2

SPRING 1

A Century in conflict- WW2

Causes of WW2.
Turning points in the war.

Home-front - WW2

Blitz Spirit?
Rationing and evacuations.
Why was the Atom Bomb dropped?

Prior Learning

Some reference to the Blitz was made in the Y7 summer term when looking at life in 20th century London.

CHARACTER LINKS

Character traits of critical

thinking, judgement and

reasoning are necessary

(intellectual virtues) when examining causes and effects of

significant historical events. Reflecting on the significance of

key individuals within history

Confidence, determination and

perseverance traits (performance virtues) are fostered when

(also intellectual virtues).

examining complex ideas.

How and why did the Holocaust happen?

Growth of anti-Semitism in Germany.

The path to Holocaust- anti-Semitic laws.

Life and death in the concentration camps.

Holocaust significance

Oscar Schindler
Aftermath and why and how we remember.

Prior Learning

Students have an awareness of the Holocaust from RS lessons at Key Stage 3.

SPRING 2

How Cold was the Cold War?

Origins of Cold War tension.

Developments of nuclear arms and Space Race.

Who was to blame for the conflict and increasing tension?

Key Events of the Cold War?

Impact of key events like the Berlin Wall and The Cuban Missile Crisis.

Examination of the reasons the Cold War ended.

Prior Learning

Contextual knowledge of World War II and impact on Europe – some reference to the Blitz was made in Y7 Summer 2 unit (Importance of London).

SUMMER 1

Vietnam War.

Cause of conflict.

VC versus US tactics – which side had the better tactics?

The role of the media and the peace movement.

Reasons for America's defeat.

Impact of the Vietnam War on the power of the people

The impact and power of protest movements during the Cold War.

Role of media, music and marches and assess their role in bringing the war to an end.

Prior Learning

Role of media and protest movement made with the 1960s and 1970s Civil Rights campaigns from Y8 spring unit.

Power of the people linked to Y7 Cromwell and Peasant units as well as the Y8 suffragette and Civil Rights units.

KEY ASSESSMENT DATES

Summative assessments occur at the end of every topic stated. The key content and skills that have been taught are assessed.

SUMMER 2

Modern Day conflict

What is Terrorism? September 11, London, and Paris attacks. The changing nature of conflict and its, social impacts.

Prior Learning

Comparison to warfare and global tensions – draws on Cold War, WW1 and WW2 units Y9 autumn and spring and the Y7 in the Norman and Tudor units where battles and fighting techniques are discussed.