

Most Able

Subject: History

What can students do to further develop their skills in this subject area?	
KS3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Take a leading role in learning in lessons – collaborative learning will encourage and allow this.• Research socio-economic factors that have influenced historical events, particularly local history.• Read! For enjoyment and deepening your historical knowledge. It doesn't just have to be about your current history studies. Feel free to research and read about historical events beyond your current studies.• Watch! There are plenty of documentaries and accurate films on Netflix, Youtube, Amazon etc.• Engage in discussion about topics being explored in History lessons. Talk to adults and other students about the questions we ask in history. Don't be afraid to be curious and ask questions.• Take responsibility for your own learning: Access Teams when you are absent to complete work- don't leave gaps.
KS4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Take a leading role in learning in lessons – collaborative learning will encourage and allow this.• Take advantage of the resources in the revision guides and GCSE Pods.• Practice exam questions. All history teachers will be happy to provide extra exam questions for you to practice and will mark them and discuss them with you.• Research socio-economic factors that have influenced historical events, particularly local history.• Attend after school intervention when appropriate. This is a great opportunity for you to improve your historical understanding.• Watch! There are plenty of documentaries and accurate films on Netflix, Youtube, Amazon etc.

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What websites could students visit to support the curriculum?

KS3	https://www.youtube.com/c/OverSimplified https://www.youtube.com/show/SChYK1KpG8-Lct3TS2fUdlvw?season=1&sbp=CgEx – Horrible Histories https://www.history.org.uk/student/categories/history-resources-for-students
KS4	https://mmerevise.co.uk/gcse-history-revision/gcse-history-past-papers/edexcel-gcse-history-past-papers/ https://www.gcsepod.com/ https://www.youtube.com/c/OverSimplified https://www.history.org.uk/student/categories/history-resources-for-students

How can parents/carers help and what can be done at home?

- Sit and read regularly with your son or daughter. You could use some of the books suggested or read historical articles online (a lot of these are free)
- Help them join the library and encourage wider reading
- Use the wider reading list to stretch and challenge them.
- Talk about what they are reading and ask questions.
- Watch documentaries relating to key themes explored in the academy and explore the ideas discussed.
- Encourage them to join an enrichment club
- Discuss the news and introduce an interesting fact or topic of the week. Alexa has a fact of the day. Discuss how present-day events link to the past events your child has been studying.
- Give children a broad range of experiences, e.g. visiting exhibitions, listening to music, eating different food.
Attend RAG meetings when invited (KS4)

- Practice historical knowledge recall (KS4)
- Encourage a growth mindset: [Mindset Kit | What is a growth mindset?, Growth Mindset for Parents](#)
- Create a quiet space and regular time for wider reading