



*Saint Joseph's*  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## History Department

### Welcome

History at St Joseph's is characterised by active, challenging and thought provoking lessons and it is a subject full of interested, engaged learners! As a department, we aim to develop pupils' historical skills from the time that they join us and continue to consolidate and build on these in every year.

We are very proud of the progress pupils make across both key stages, a fact supported by GCSE results consistently above the national average.

### Key Stage 3

Pupils here at St Joseph's follow a thorough and enjoyable course that investigates our development through time, from a brief look at prehistory through the medieval and Tudor periods to the making and development of the UK, including a focus on slavery. In Year 8, pupils further their knowledge of Britain by investigating the Industrial Revolution and twentieth century world history.

### Key Stage 4

At GCSE, pupils undertake AQA History 8145. This is designed to ensure a broad, and coherent study of history across three eras. Pupils will not only further their historical knowledge but will be equipped with transferable skills such as analytical thinking, the development of arguments and excellent writing competency. We currently cover Britain: health and the people c1000 to present day, Elizabethan England c1568 – 1603, Conflict and Tension 1918 – 1939 and Germany, 1890–1945: Democracy and dictatorship.