

KS3 COURSE OPTIONS

Course Title	Year 8 Humanities
Course Description	In Year 8, students are building on the skills introduced from the previous year. The content is new but the development of core skills remains with the focus to prepare them for GCSE for the next academic year.
Course Content (Term 1,2,3 etc.)	<p>Term 1 History= Victorians, Geography=The Geography of the United Kingdom</p> <p>Term 2 History= Empire and slavery, Geography= The Geography of the United Kingdom</p> <p>Term 3 Philosophy= Islam and animal rights, History= World War1, Geography= The Geography of Crime and Piracy</p> <p>Term 4 Philosophy=Buddhism and Crime, History=World War1 , Geography= The Geography of Crime and Piracy</p> <p>Term 5 History= World War 2, Geography= The Cold World: Antarctic</p> <p>Term 6 History= Cold War, Geography=The Hot World: Rainforests</p>
Extra-Curricular Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black Country Museum. • Natural History Museum.
Useful Websites	<p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zk26n39</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zrw76sg</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zh3rkqt</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/ztgw2hv</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks3/geography/places/extreme_environments</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks3/geography/spaces/crime</p>
Important Information	Year 8 Humanities puts in place the keystone for GCSE progression. The content links to future studies and there is an emphasis on building confidence in writing style for all students.

<p>Provision For Most Able</p>	<p>Each term will have formal assessments and these are tracked throughout the year. More able students are encouraged to draft assignments before deadlines and exempla materials are used to model excellence. Academic writing and structure is also developed over the year with an emphasis on the core analytical skills which are vital in all years. There are a number of Talented and Gifted opportunities for students in all three Humanities Subjects including trips to the National History Museum and Diwali celebrations.</p>
<p>Assessment</p>	<p>Students are assessed at the end of each topic in Humanities allowing students to demonstrate the skills and content that they have learnt throughout the topic. There will be a range of assessment types in History and Philosophy including formal pieces of writing in the form of an essay, investigation, diary entries as well as source analysis. Geography topics are assessed through tests or fieldwork investigation where students will be given time to prepare in class for these assessments. These assessment types used mirror the GCSE expectation of each subject so that students are fully prepared and key skills are developed throughout Year 8.</p>