



## The Mall School

### Curriculum Guide

#### History – Summer Term

##### Year 8 CE

Teacher: Mr Matthew Stock

Lessons: 1 x 60 min, 1 x 35-40 min

Homework: 1 x 40 min.

Exam: Middle Ages - 60 min - one 20 mark essay using three sources (the topic of which will be known) and one's own knowledge and one 30 mark essay on a topic of the pupil's choosing from a choice of ten questions.

The Year 8 CE syllabus has two strands. One is to complement the post CE syllabus of Year 7 and cover 1914 to the present day. It is not part of the CE syllabus, but the skills employed, such as source analysis and essay writing are the same. This is to give the pupils some understanding of their world and how it has developed. The other strand is to revise the CE syllabus (1066 – 1500) and become adept at handling source material and writing essays in order to pass the CE exam paper. The amount of time spent on both is dependent upon how the pupils fare. If they are struggling with the exam paper then that is all we concentrate on.

The Summer term is all hands to the pump to ensure that everything is covered for the June exam. Holiday work will be assessed and if it is below the required standard it will be redone. Another paper will then be set and it will be timed. Assuming that the boys are revising and preparing themselves then we can look at some more Twentieth/Twenty First Century topics.

##### The Key objectives

In addition to the objectives stated for each year, Year 8 has its own agenda.

Be able to interpret the information of historical sources.

Awareness of how the provenance of a source can affect its purpose and meaning and therefore its reliability and usefulness for enquiry.

Be able to cross-reference sources with each other and with one's own knowledge and structure a coherent and logical essay response to the question posed.

To write an essay of c 40 minutes duration that not only shows off knowledge and understanding of the topic in question, but can appreciate the unique dynamics of the time period upon the actions of those people.

##### Resources

All exercise books since Year 5. Key Stage 3 (Letts), History-Medieval Realms Britain 1066-1485 (Galore Park), The middle Ages (Cootes), Common Entrance exam papers.