

Remote Learning Guide

History



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What is the remote learning guide?

Where students are unable to attend school due to, medical, or disciplinary reasons we will continue to provide resources to enable students to continue their education at home – we call this remote learning. We want to minimise the impact to your child's education and therefore we have a plan to make sure learning can continue when they are unable to attend school.

We will be providing all teaching resources through Microsoft Teams. All students will be automatically placed in a Team for their classes in all subjects. Teachers will place all activities, including lessons and resources as files in these Teams. Pupils can access the Teams through their school email accounts. Teachers will also set homework and send messages to their pupils using MS Teams. All work will be available before the lesson is due to start.

You can see a summary of what is being taught each week through the remote learning guides that are shared on the school website every Friday. The guides are also shared with students on their year group's MS Teams. Your child's teachers will also be available via email to answer any questions or queries your child may have. The email address for the head of each department is also included within this guide if you need to contact them regarding any subject related issue.

Pupils are also regularly set tasks and can access resources using the following platforms:

- GCSEPod - <https://www.gcsepod.com/>
- Bedrock learning - <https://bedrocklearning.org/>
- Seneca - <https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/>
- UpLearn - www.uplearn.co.uk
- Sparx Maths - <https://sparxmaths.com/>

The following resources provide lessons created by the BBC and Department for Education that may be used with your children to extend their learning at school.

- Oak National Academy - <https://www.thenational.academy/>
- BBC Bitesize Daily Lessons - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons>

Studies show that reading for pleasure makes a big difference to children's educational performance. We recognise that reading is vitally important to your child's education. Please make sure your child reads approximately one book a week. Students may access online news resources using The Day - <https://theday.co.uk/> or they may borrow a book from the school library.

Students record the passwords for these online resources in their school planner. If your child is unable to access the digital resources set by their teachers, please contact your child's Year Manager or Year Coordinator or the school directly using this email address: enquiry@holte.bham.sch.uk

Year 7

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What is your child learning this term?

Year 7 have been learning about Medieval England. They have looked at life in Medieval England and focused on the Black Death. They have looked at the symptoms, causes, treatments and preventions of the Black Death.

Year 7 will then look at key individuals of the Medieval period, including Thomas Becket, King John, Wat Tyler, Salahuddin and Richard the Lionheart.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including homework deadlines & resources
7hi1	Mrs James	Lesson 1: Who was to blame for the murder of Thomas Becket? Lesson 2: Was King John a good King?
7hi2	Miss Hussain	Lesson 1: Who was to blame for the murder of Thomas Becket? Lesson 2: Was King John a good King?
7hi3	Mr Galloway	Lesson 1: The First Crusade Lesson 2: The Crusader States Homework: Seneca due 12 th March
7hi4	Miss Hussain	Lesson 1: Who was to blame for the murder of Thomas Becket? Lesson 2: Was King John a good King?
7hiN	Miss Parvaiz	Lesson 1: Comprehension – King John Lesson 2: Feedback – Black death diary.
7hi5	Mrs Bashir	Lesson 1: William Wallace Lesson 2: Matilda
7hi6	Mrs James	Lesson 1: Was King John a good King? Lesson 2: Source analysis
7hi7	Mrs Ali	Lesson 1: William Wallace Lesson 2: The First Crusade
7hi8	Mrs James	Lesson 1: Was King John a good King? Lesson 2: Source analysis

Year 8

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What is your child learning this term?

Year 8 have been learning about the Black Peoples of America. They will now be learning about the Civil Rights Movement, including a study of Emmett Till, Rosa Parks, Malcolm X and Martin Luther King.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including homework deadlines & resources
8hi1	Mr Galloway	Lesson 1: Is it right to use violence?
8hi2	Miss Hussain	Lesson 1: 19 th century living conditions- overview Lesson 2: Formative assessment
8hi3	Mrs James	Lesson 1: Why did living conditions improve? Lesson 2: Working conditions in the 19 th century Lesson 3: Formative assessment – 19 th century public health
8hi4	Mrs Ali	Lesson 1: Cartoons and propaganda Lesson 2: Formative assessment – public health reformers Lesson 3: Suffragettes
8hi5	Mrs Bashir	Lesson 1: Formative assessment
8hi6	Mrs Ali	Lesson 1: Formative assessment – public health reformers Lesson 2: Suffragettes
8hi7	Miss Hussain	Lesson 1: 19 th century living conditions- overview Lesson 2: Formative assessment
8hi8	Mr Galloway	Lesson 1: (LJF) Is it right to use violence

Year 9

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What is your child learning this term?

Year 9 have been learning about WWII and will now continue their study of the Holocaust. They will study Jewish life in Germany, individual experiences, Kristallnacht, Ghettos and Concentration Camps. They will study the Final Solution and look at forms of resistance and liberation.

Pupils will then move on to a study of the Cold War. They will learn what the Cold War was and the causes of it. They will explore the difference between capitalism and communism, as well as the assassination of JFK.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including deadlines & resources
9hi1	Mrs James	Lesson 1: Yalta & Potsdam
9hi2	Mrs Ali	Lesson 1: Korean War
9hi3	Mrs Bashir	Lesson 1: Berlin Lesson 2: Early events – Cold War
9hi4	Mrs Ali	Lesson 1: Arms & tech race Lesson 2: Arms & tech race (Moon Landing p2)
9hi5	Mrs Bashir	Lesson 1: Berlin Lesson 2: Vietnam
9hi6	Mrs Ali	Lesson 1: Korean War

		Lesson 2: Vietnam War
9hi7	Mr Galloway	Lesson 1: Assassination of JFK
9hi8	Miss Hussain	Lesson 1: Cuban Missile Crisis Lesson 2: Arms and tech race

Year 10

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What is your child learning this term?

Year 10 pupils have now started their Early Elizabethan England unit of study. This is part of the Paper 2 exam at GCSE.

Pupils have been learning about Elizabethan society, including Elizabethan education, sports and past times and attitudes towards poverty. We will also look at Elizabethan exploration.

They will then move on to their new study of unit- The American West. They will look at early settlement and the Indigenous Peoples. They will explore the beliefs and ways of life of the Indigenous Peoples, migration and early settlement, as well as conflict and tension.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including homework deadlines & resources
10ahi1	Mrs Bashir	Lesson 1: Mormons – Great Salt Lake City

		Lesson 2: Exam practice
10bhi1	Mrs Ali	L1: Government Policy and PIF L2: Why go West? L3: Donner part and knight family
10chi1	Mrs James & Mr Galloway	Lesson 1-2: Blackwell (remaining pupils- KT1 overview) Lesson 3: Homesteader problems Lesson 4: Homesteader solutions Homework: KT1 assignment on GCSE Pod

Year 11

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What is your child learning this term?

Year 11 will be learning about Weimar and Nazi Germany. Pupils will continue their study of Weimar and Nazi Germany 1918-29.

Pupils will study the growth of support for the Nazis 1929-32 and how Hitler became Chancellor, 1932-33. They will then move on to looking at Nazi power and control, 1933-39, looking at the creation of a dictatorship, the police state and how the Nazis controlled and influenced attitudes in society. We will also study opposition to the Nazi party from Church groups and Youth resistance.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including homework deadlines & resources
11bhi1	Mr Galloway	Lesson 1: Persecution of Jewish people in Germany Lesson 2: Weimar and Nazi Germany overview Lesson 3: Key Topic 4 Formative Assessment Homework: Complete the assignment on GCSEPod on American West Key topic 2 & 3 – Due 10 th March
11chi1	Miss Hussain	Lesson 1: Persecution of minorities Lesson 2: Weimar and Nazi Germany overview
11chi2	Mr Farmer	Lesson 1: Key Topic 4 Formative Assessment Lesson 2: Weimar and Nazi Germany Overview

6th Form

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What is your child learning this term?

Pupils will start Year 12 with a study of the AQA unit 1K: The making of a Superpower, 1865-1975. In the spring term we will focus on the following:

Crises and the rise to World Power, 1920–1975

- Crisis of identity, 1920–1945
- Domestic politics: Harding, Coolidge and Republican conservatism; Hoover and the Depression
- FD Roosevelt and the New Deals: conflict of ideas over the role of the Federal Government
- The economy: boom to bust and recovery; structural weaknesses and the impact of the New Deals and the Second World War on economic recovery
- Social and cultural developments: ‘the Jazz Age’ in the 1920s; new social values and the role of women; the failure of prohibition and its significance; social impact of the Depression and the Second World War
- Social, regional and ethnic divisions: countryside versus city; divisions between North, West and South; African Americans and the rise of the Ku Klux Klan
- The USA and international relations: the extent of isolationism; FDR and the end of isolationism and the Second World War

Pupils will also use their two lessons a fortnight with Mrs Bashir to study the witch craze in Western Europe. This is the topic they will research and write about for their NEA (an extended essay of 4000-4500 words). Year 13 students are studying the Making of Modern Britain with Mr Oliver. They are completing their NEA with Mr Galloway.

Class	Teacher	Lessons, including homework deadlines & resources
12bhi1	Mr Oliver, Mr Farmer and Mrs Bashir	Mr Farmer – Franklin Roosevelt and the New Deal. We will look at the reasons why there was a second New Deal before evaluating the opposition to the New Deals and its overall success. We will explore a range of extracts comparing the role of the Federal government in the First and Second New Deal. We will then move on to look at the social and cultural developments in the 1920s and 1930s including the role of women, African Americans and indigenous Peoples of America. Our focus will be on how the 1920s and 1930s were decades of dramatic social and cultural change, marked first by prosperity and cultural liberation, and later by economic hardship and social reform.
13dhi1	Mr Oliver and Mr Galloway	Year 13 Mr Oliver – John Major and his foreign policy..... Why did he have huge issues with the EU within his own party? What was the Maastricht Treaty and why did it cause huge issues for Major? How were the UK’s relationships with the superpowers in the 1990’s? How did the UK get involved in the Balkan conflict and to what level of success?