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|  |  | Previous | 2021 – 2022 | Rationale | Skills focus  |
| Year 7 | **Term 1** | Norman Conquest | Norman conquest | Year 7 focuses on the foundations of History, developing the key skills and introducing key concepts.Golden thread: throughout year 7 all topics focus on power and the church, mostly within England. A study of the crusades will develop their understanding of the importance of the church in a wider context.  | Throughout year 7 students will be introduced to the key historical skills of * Using and explaining your historical knowledge
* Causes and consequences
* Using sources to support historical understanding
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| **Term 2** | Medieval Life | Norman control |
| **Term 3** | Challenges to the crown | Medieval life / challenges to the church |
| **Term 4** | Crusades | Crusades |
| **Term 5** | Hundred Years’ War  | Tudors |
| **Term 6** | War of the Roses | English Civil War |
| Year 8 | **Term 1** | Tudors | French Revolution | In year 8 students begin to look at history in the wider worldGolden thread: throughout year 8 all topics focus on developments and changes in society. Students will understand how and why power shifted as society developed.  | Throughout year 8 students will continue to develop their understanding of the skills introduced in year 7. * Using and explaining your historical knowledge
* Causes and consequences
* Using sources to support historical understanding

Additionally, students will also be introduced to the skill of change and continuity.  |
| **Term 2** | Stuarts | Industrial Revolution |
| **Term 3** | Industrial Revolution | The American West |
| **Term 4** | Most dangerous man in the Industrial Revolution | The British Empire  |
| **Term 5** | French Revolution | Slavery |
| **Term 6** | Slavery and Civil Rights | World War One |
| Year 9 | **Term 1** | World War One | Russian Revolution **(2021/2022 – World War One)**  | In year 9 students build on their knowledge of wider world history. Golden thread: throughout year 9 all topics focus on the shaping of the 20th century, with a close focus on the rights of people.  | Throughout year 9 students will continue to develop the skills introduced in year 7 and 8.* Using and explaining your historical knowledge
* Causes and consequences
* Using sources to support historical understanding
* Understanding change and continuity

Additionally, students will be introduced to the concept of significance.  |
| **Term 2** | Nazi Germany | 1920s USA **(2021/2022 - The interwar years in Europe**) |
| **Term 3** | Communist Russia | Communist Russia |
| **Term 4** | World War Two | World War Two |
| **Term 5** | The Holocaust | The Holocaust |
| **Term 6** | Cold War | Civil Rights in the USA and Britain |