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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 |
| **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 world  Golden 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 |