

# HISTORY



**BEVERLEY  
JOINT  
SIXTH**



## Year 12 AS Level 2012 (2 units)

### **Unit 1 - 1 hour 15 minutes exam**

50% of total AS marks 25% of total A Level marks

#### **Change and Consolidation**

Britain, 1483 – 1529

### **Unit 2 – 1 hour 30 minutes exam**

50% of total AS marks, 25% total A Level marks

#### **Historical Issues: Periods of Change**

Anti-Semitism, Hitler and the German People, 1919 - 1942

## Year 13 A2 Level (2 units)

### **Unit 3 – 1 hour 30 minutes exam**

30% of total A Level marks

#### **The State and The People: Change and Continuity**

The Angevin Kings of England: British Monarchy, 1154 - 1216

### **Unit 4 – Historical Enquiry Coursework**

20% of total A Level marks

This involves the research and writing of a personal study of approximately 3500 words on a question chosen by the student after studying a period of History of 100 years or more. The course will be the development and influence of the American Frontier c1600 – 2009: Expansion, Freedom, Democracy and Identity in the USA.

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## Why study History in the first place?

- Because it gives us a sense of time and place and how our country has developed in an international context. It shows us where we have come from.
- Because it helps us to better understand current affairs, the ongoing development of society and our place in that process. It helps us to participate more fully in the crucial debates of the day and as such help us to participate meaningfully in our democracy.
- Because it provides important skills such as problem solving, analysis, evaluation, inference, explanation, criteria setting, categorising and summarising, which help us to contribute to society more effectively and which are vital in many rewarding and important careers.
- Because it tells some cracking stories.

The new AQA specification we have chosen will allow students to study:

- Significant events, individuals and issues;
- A range of historical perspectives;
- The diversity of society;
- The history of more than one country or state;
- A substantial amount of English history;
- History in an international context;
- Black History and Women's History;
- History from different periods;
- Change and development over time;
- History in both breadth and depth;
- Ideas and issues from other disciplines such as film and media studies, sociology, politics, psychology, religious studies and philosophy

Undertaking a Historical Enquiry at A2 also facilitates progression to Higher Education, as the independent research, reading, thinking, planning and writing undertaken will be essential skills for a university degree course.

Please see our complete departmental brochure for full details of the content of courses. It is not essential to have studied History at GCSE Level to achieve at A level, if you are interested in the content of the courses offered please ask the relevant teachers for further advice and information.

## Career Opportunities for Historians

A History A Level or Degree is a highly valued qualification for a wide range of careers. The historians analytical, critical & questioning skills have provided an entry into many professions such as Law, Finance, Media, Journalism, Management & many other careers.

