



THE SKINNERS' SCHOOL

HISTORY

Curriculum maps

Key Stage 3

Year 7

INTRODUCTION

On the following page we have indicated the topics which the boys will be studying in their History lessons. In the present curriculum there are only 3 lessons and one homework every two weeks for History and, although some students believe this is quite enough, others may wish to follow up their classwork whenever the opportunity arises.

There are lots of history programmes on the TV and we encourage selective viewing of relevant material. Similarly, the internet has of course thousands of sites with links to, and information about, the topics we will be covering. More than anything however we would like to stress the benefits of discussing issues which arise from the History lessons. This area of the country is remarkably well placed for visits to places of historical interest and some of these are indicated for each year group.

Finally, a plea for the humble book. Make use of the School Library which in addition to videos and DVDs also contains books on every conceivable topic. For more specific advice ask your History teacher.

	TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 4	TERM 5	TERM 6
TOPICS STUDIED	<p>Who are you?</p> <p>What is History?</p> <p>Why are sources so important?</p> <p>England before 1066 – a quick overview.</p> <p>England and Europe in 1066</p>	<p>The Norman Conquest.</p> <p>Why was William successful?</p> <p>The feudal system and the Domesday Survey</p>	<p>Village life in the Middle Ages.</p> <p>Castles and their development.</p> <p>Problems of medieval rulers.</p> <p>England, Wales and Scotland.</p>	<p>Religious life in the Middle Ages</p> <p>Henry II and Becket.</p> <p>The Crusades.</p>	<p>The Black Death.</p> <p>100 Years War.</p> <p>The Peasants' Revolt</p>	<p>The Troubled 15th Century.</p> <p>Wars of the Roses.</p> <p>Richard III and the Princes in the Tower.</p>
BEYOND THE CLASSROOM	<p>Your own family tree.</p> <p>British Museum.</p> <p>Fishbourne.</p> <p>Maiden Castle.</p> <p>Bath.</p> <p>York.</p>	<p>English words derived from French.</p> <p>Battle Abbey.</p> <p>Westminster Abbey.</p> <p>Tower of London.</p> <p>Bayeux.</p> <p>Caen.</p>	<p>What does your village look like?</p> <p>Tonbridge Castle.</p> <p>Bodiam Castle.</p> <p>Dover Castle.</p> <p>Welsh Castles.</p>	<p>What does your church look like?</p> <p>Canterbury.</p> <p>Rochester.</p> <p>Chaucer's Canterbury Tales.</p>	<p>Museum of London.</p> <p>Calais and Boulogne.</p>	<p>The Tower of London.</p> <p>Shakespeare's History plays.</p>
BOOKS, MAGAZINES AND NEWSPAPERS						