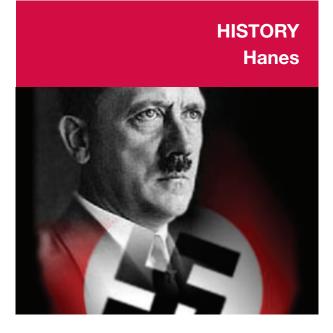
St. Joseph's RC High School Ysgol Uwchradd Gatholig Joseff Sant 2016 KS4 Learning Pathways

Course Title: History Examination Board: WJEC Qualification: GCSE





COURSE OUTLINE

The GCSE has four modules which are studied over two years.

1. HITLER'S GERMANY 1919-47

This course covers Hitler's rise to power, Nazi treatment of the Jews, life in Hitler's Germany and World War II.

2. DEPRESSION, WAR AND RECOVERY. BRITAIN 1930-51

This course covers the "Hungry 30's", the Appeasement of Hitler, The Blitz, Evacuation and the birth of the NHS.

3. AMERICA 1930-2000. A DIVIDED UNION

This course covers the Civil Rights Movement, Martin Luther King and Malcolm X, together with the Korean and Vietnam Wars and the Birth of Rock and Roll.

4. CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT

How were people's lives affected by evacuation during World War II?

Was the battle of Dunkirk a disaster for the British or the Nazis's during World War II?

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

You will sit an examination on each of the first 3 modules. Each examination will last for 1½ hours and is worth 25% of your total mark. Your controlled assessment is also worth 25% and is undertaken in the classroom.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND PROGRESSION

COMMON QUESTIONS ASKED:

"But will it be any use to me when I'm older?"

Apart from being very interesting history is extremely useful. Employers who see that you have a qualification in history know certain things about you. They know that you have taken on certain key skills which, learned through history, can be applied to all sorts of situations.

They know that you can understand how people tick, what motivates them, what they think and feel; you are able to gather and read different kinds of information and can check it for bias and propaganda; you can read maps, graphs and other diagrams; you are able to communicate clearly and have learned to express yourself verbally and on paper.

"But I don't want to teach!"

History is a useful, and often necessary subject for a lot of careers and not just the obvious ones. Conservation work, environmental work, town planning, building restoration and tourism all require some knowledge of history. History is also a good qualification for budding journalists, secretaries, accountants, TV researchers, police and lawyers. More and more employers and universities are demanding that applicants have studied a true academic subject, history is an obvious choice

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