



# Westcliff High School for Boys

## UNLOCK YOUR POTENTIAL

### Careers across the curriculum

#### in HISTORY

<b>Soft Skills Development (these are the skills we are committed to developing in the Careers Department)</b>	
<b>All Years</b>	We develop <b>communication and teamwork</b> by encouraging effective written and spoken answers both in class and as part of homework tasks, as well as organising paired and group activities within lessons.
<b>Years 8, 9, Middle School and Sixth Form</b>	We develop <b>time management</b> skills by asking students to complete written essays and examination-style answers under time conditions, as well as giving time deadlines for both independent and group activities. Homework tasks include longer pieces of work which require time management over an extended period of time.
<b>Year 9, Middle School and Sixth Form</b>	We develop <b>creative thinking</b> by inviting students to engage in historical debate and produce devised responsibilities to historical investigations.
<b>In Middle School</b>	We develop <b>problem solving</b> through the strategy of flipped learning.
<b>In Sixth Form</b>	We develop <b>networking</b> by encouraging students to attend lectures, to participate in academic competitions, and to engage with invited historians on trips and tours.
<b>Development of Subject Specific Skills which are Relevant to Next Steps / the Workplace</b>	
<p>The study of History develops a wide range of workplace-related skills, such as time organisation, analytical response, selection, extended communication both orally and in writing, and making effective presentation of ideas and findings.</p> <p>These are nurtured through a programme of study that builds all these skills successively throughout an initial three years, with students then able to undertake a further two or four years of preparation to consolidate and extend these skills.</p> <p>These skills all support students in the workplace in a variety of ways, helping particularly in careers where analysis or communication skills are important, such as the career of Lawyer or Financial Analyst.</p>	
<b>Extra-curricular Opportunities</b>	
Trips to Normandy, Germany, and local areas of historical interest	This helps students to understand the role of Historians in heritage settings. It can make them Globally Aware by understanding the significance of Heritage Sites in their natural settings.
The Historical Society	This helps students to practice the skill of communication and learn to respond to questions, assessing and exploring their command of the material.
Academic Competitions	This helps students to demonstrate the development of core skills such as analysis and communication at an advanced level.