

History News...

Pupils studying GCSE History undertake a Modern World History course that comprises of 3 external examinations and 2 pieces of coursework. The coursework undertaken for the current students involves a study of Victorian London and the crimes of Jack the Ripper and an investigation of World War and the comedy series Blackadder.

In October, 40 GCSE students travelled to London for a coursework study visit. The London Docklands Museum was the first port of call where students visited the Jack the Ripper Exhibition. This Exhibition was superb and pupils discovered a great deal of relevant information for their coursework. It was fantastic to hear Museum staff comment on the excellent behaviour of the group and the way in which they tackled the exhibition. In addition to this, students also visited the RAF Museum at Hendon to look at some of the weaponry and new technology involved in WWI.

Whilst in London, pupils also managed to fit in a 'flight' of their own, with a visit to the London Eye. The musical 'Wicked' and the tube journey was equally exciting and all enjoyed our evening visit to 'Planet Hollywood' who welcomed us with a huge wide screen message.

The History Department is planning an educational visit to the Tower of London for Year 8 to coincide with their study of the Tudors, a visit to the battlefields of Ypres and surprise 'mystery' venue - so watch the space outside the History classrooms.