

OVERVIEW

The medieval world was vast, complex and interconnected. The units studied in Year 7 immediately challenges Eurocentric views of history as students are introduced to the diversity and scale of the world and how places and people were connected. It shows students how advanced the Eastern world was and begins to explore how ideas, goods and knowledge spread throughout the medieval world c.1000. Students are introduced to key foundational knowledge that will be built upon throughout KS3, including the extent and geography of global empires, trade, and the movement of knowledge and ideas.

Autumn Term

Unit 1: Empires East and West around 1000 CE

- How do historians measure time?
- Chinese Dynasties
- The Islamic Empire
- The Byzantine Empire
- The Roman Empire

Unit 2: Norman Conquest and Control

- Anglo-Saxon England
- Succession Crisis
- 1066 and the Conquest
- Norman power and control post1066
- Changes under the Normans

Assessment:

Students in Y7 will continue to be assessed using both formative and summative methods. Students will be continually assessed in lesson using questioning and feedback in independent practice. Additionally, they will be assessed through 'Big Writes' and end of unit tasks. This will assess students' knowledge and understanding and develop students' explanation skills. Towards the end of year students will have an End of Year assessment, in which they will be assessed on knowledge gained through the year, this will be applied to both descriptive and explanatory style questions.

Spring Term

Unit 3: Medieval Religion

- Hierarchy of the Church and methods of worship
- Influence of the Church
- Jewish people in medieval England

Unit 4: Challenges to Medieval Monarchs

- Religious challenge
- Dynastic challenge

Summer Term

Unit 5: Medieval Mali

- The role of Mansa Musa
- Malian Empire

Unit 5: Historical Skills

- Chronology
- Historical Evidence

Useful resources for supporting your child at home:

- Seneca Learning [Seneca - Learn 2x Faster \(senecalearning.com\)](https://www.senecalearning.com/)
- BBC Bitesize- KS3 History [KS3 History - BBC Bitesize](https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/ks3/history/)
- BBC Teach Videos [Free primary and secondary school teaching resources - BBC Teach](https://www.bbc.com/teach/primary/secondary-school-teaching-resources/)
- Oak National Academy- KS3 [Free KS3 History teaching resources | Y7, 8, & 9 | Page 1 of 2 | Oak National Academy](https://www.oaknationalacademy.com/ks3/history/)