

# ANCIENT HISTORY

The study of Ancient History will enable you to develop an in-depth knowledge of selected periods of classical Greek and Roman history. Your studies will involve the analysis and evaluation of ancient source material and modern historians' debates, to examine the military, political, religious, social, and cultural developments in pivotal periods of Greek and Roman history.

## Specific course entry requirements

College entry. No prior knowledge of the subject is required, and you do not need to have studied GCSE Ancient History or GCSE History. However, if you have studied either subject, we would expect you to have achieved at least a Grade 4.

## How will I be assessed?

100% Examination.

## What will I study?

In Year 12, you will initially study the development of the empire of Rome as a period study, examining the role of the Julio-Claudian Emperors, including two of the most notorious emperors, Caligula and Nero (31 BC-AD 68). The course will then focus on a depth study in Ruling Roman Britain (AD 43 – c.128), including the Roman conquest, expansion, and resistance to Roman rule, culminating in the building of Hadrian's Wall.

In Year 13, you will initially focus on a period study on relations between the Greek states and between Greek and non-Greek states (492–404 BC), including the victory over the Persian Empire and the subsequent relations between Greek states which led to the Peloponnesian Wars. The course will then focus on a depth study of the politics and society of Sparta (478-404 BC), including its educational values and military culture.

## Where will this course lead me?

The study of Ancient History is highly respected by all universities and is desirable if you have an interest in Classics, Ancient History or Archaeology. Furthermore, Ancient History is flexible in that it can be combined with other A level subjects such as History, Politics, Geography, Law, English, Art and languages. Ancient History is also highly valued by employers due to the transferable skills you will develop, including comprehension, critical thinking, analysis, and evaluation, alongside your research and presentation skills.