

Year 7 Humanities Curriculum

The aim of the curriculum in year 7 is to develop students' knowledge and understanding of place; the environment and community that they live in. Investigating and questioning the importance of the physical and human landscape and how and why they have changed over time. The curriculum aims to engage and ignite a passion for learning within humanities and through local study will promote opportunities for experiences to be shared and developed outside of the classroom and school day.

This curriculum builds up the skills that students need to be successful within the humanities over the next 7 years. These skills include source analysis, evaluation, data presentation and analysis, interpretation and evaluation of different viewpoints and drawing informed conclusions.

Units of study

UNIT 1: Cornwall, location and physical landscape

- The location of Cornwall
- Cornwall's coastal landscape – a study of the creation of Bude Formations
- Cornwall's moorland landscape – a study of the physical characteristics of Bodmin Moor, including the formation of tors

UNIT 2: Cornwall Prehistory

- Life in Bronze Age Cornwall
- A sacred landscape
- Life in Iron Age Cornwall
- Celtic Spirituality

UNIT 3: Cornwall History: Romans

- The Roman Empire
- The Romans in Cornwall
- The spread of Christianity
- The Age of Saints in Cornwall

UNIT 4: Medieval Launceston

- Life in Medieval Launceston
- Monarchy v The Church – study of changing power and influence of the Castle and The Priory in Launceston.
- Cornish Methodism

UNIT 5: 21st Century Launceston

- Demography – a study of the changing population within the town.
- Economy – how has the economy changed and what does the future hold?
- The Environment – A study of local environmental issues including a detailed investigation into traffic management.