



<p>Subject: History Year: 11</p>	
<p>Autumn term Half term 1</p>	<p>Unit of learning: The Persian Empire The rise of the Persian Empire under Cyrus the Great. 559 – 530 BC – The background and accession of Cyrus; the conquest of Lydia; the conquest of Babylon; Cyrus’ attitude towards conquered peoples and his liberation of the Jews; the construction of Pasargadae; the circumstances of Cyrus’ death</p>
<p>Half term 2</p>	<p>Unit of learning: The Persian Empire Cambyses II, Smerdis and the accession of Darius 530 – 522 BC – Cambyses’ conquest of Egypt; Cambyses’ attitude towards the Egyptians and their culture; the circumstances of Cambyses’ death; Darius’ overthrow of Smerdis/Bardiya/Gaumata.</p>
<p>Spring term Half term 1</p>	<p>Unit of learning: The Persian Empire The reign of Darius the Great 522 – 486 BC – Darius’ pacification of the empire including the restoration of control over Babylon; construction of Susa, Persepolis and the Egyptian canal; Persian expansion into the Aegean Sea; the campaign in India; the war with the Scythians; Persian culture and religion under Darius; Darius’ organisation and administration of the Persian Empire; the Ionian Revolt, including its causes, course and consequences; Persian relations with Athens prior to the revolt; Mardonius’ expedition of 493 – 492 BC; the expedition to Greece in 490 BC and its aftermath.</p>
<p>Half term 2</p>	<p>Unit of learning: The Persian Empire Xerxes I and the Greeks 486 -465 BC – Death of Darius and accession of Xerxes; the suppression of revolts in Babylonia and Egypt; the invasion of Greece, including Persian preparation, the journey to Greece, the Battle of Thermopylae, the sack of Athens, the Battle of Salamis; Persian military organisation and fighting techniques; the completion of Darius’ building projects; the Battle of Eurymedon and Plutarch’s ‘famous peace’.</p>
<p>Summer term Half term 1</p>	<p>Revision</p>
<p>Half term 2</p>	