HIGHDOWN SCHOOL AND SIXTH FORM CENTRE
ON THE ROAD TO POST-16 STUDY

HISTORY

Read/Research	Watch/Listen	Revisit	Other Tasks
Wars of the Roses: *Shadow King: The Life and Death of Henry VI, Lauren Johnson* – a big read but worth dipping in and out of. We invite Lauren to come and speak to us every year *The Hollow Crown, Dan Jones* – one of our favourite historians on this topic *Wars of the Roses, Dan Jones* *Lancaster and York: The Wars of the Roses, Alison Weir* – really accessible history *Wars of the Roses: Stormbird, Conn Iggulden* - historical fiction to immerse yourself in the story. There's a whole series if you like it! *The White Queen, Philippa Gregory* – more great historical fiction **International Relations:** *The Sleepwalkers: How Europe Went to War in 1914, Christopher Clark* – a definitive book on causes of WWI https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/magazine-26048324	**Wars of the Roses:** A good place to start and to immerse yourself in the period leading up to Henry VI is to watch the three episodes of *The Plantaganets* on Dailymotion – the first episode is called 'the Devil's Brood'. This covers the 300 years of Plantagenet rule before Henry VI and will cover things you studied in Year 7. It sets the scene for medieval kingship. *Britain's Bloody Crown*, available on Youtube, is the story of our period up to Henry VII. We watch it during the course, but it is worth a first watch! *The White Queen* series is a highly fictionalised but engaging drama about the period through the eyes of Elizabeth Woodville, a very controversial figure **International Relations:** *Britain's Great War* four-part series by Jeremy Paxman, on Vimeo or Dailymotion – he is not an unbiased source!	Revisit your Year 10 work on the rise of Hitler and the different events and contexts which made this possible – the Treaty of Versailles, the 1923 crisis, the Great Depression Revisit your Year 10 work on medicine in WWI – this tells you a lot about the weapons used, the type of warfare and individual battles which you will be studying Revisit Y7 work on medieval kings – watching *The Plantagenets* in the Watch/Listen section is a good place to start Revisit your Year 9 work on causes of WWI and WWI itself Think about the Armistice100 commemoration – why was WWI so significant, what was	**Wars of the Roses** Know your kings! We look at several, and confusingly they all share the same three names. Make a clear and memorable front page in your folder of the following six kings - Henry V - Henry VI - Henry VII - Edward IV - Edward V - Richard III You must – - Have the kings in order, with dates - Show clearly if they were Lancastrian or Yorkist. Try to put them on opposing sides and and use the colours of the roses - Give brief details for each **International Relations**

https://www.theguardian.com/world/2008/nov/08/first-world-war-causes-deliberate-accident
 	
https://www.newstatesman.com/politics/2014/07/simon-heffer-first-world-war-battle-historians
	37 Days on Dailymotion – excellent 3 part series on how the assassination of the Archduke finally led to war
	
	World At War episode 1 on Youtube – for lead up to WWII
		being commemmorated and why?
		
		Revisit Year 9 work on the causes of WWII
			Understanding the background of Europe before 1890 is really key – Europe was not the place then that it is now! Germany in particular was a new country and one growing in power and influence.
			
			1. Using this Bitesize link, create a resource (mindmap, table, headings) on Germany:
			  - Parliamentary government – strengths and weaknesses
			  - Prussian Nationalism
			  - Industrial, economic and demographic changes
			  - Social reform and growth of socialism
			  - Navy laws – success and failure
			Make sure you keep a glossary of key words (usually in bold).
			
			https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z36wycw/revision/1
			
			2. Using pages 1-28 from the course textbook (below) your task is to create a map of Europe in 1890 (easy to download blank maps from Google, but make sure you put in 1890!) and annotate/fact file each of the following countries:
			  - Germany

			- France
			- Great Britain
			- Russia
			- Italy
			- Austria Hungary
			- Turkey

For each country you need to know:

- Where it is/was
- Who were the leaders
- What type of government did they have
- Ideology
- Which countries were their allies
- Which countries were their main threats
- Key events for that country since 1800

3. Using this knowledge, write an extended explanation of why Germany's position before WWI may have led to problems in Europe – think about Britain, France and Russia in particular. What might these countries not like and why? Use specific examples from your learning