History GCSE Covid Curriculum Statement

As a result of the time lost to Covid, the examination Board (OCR) has agreed that the examinations for History in the summer of 2022 will be amended.

The International Relations module covering 1919 to 1975 will still be compulsory for all centres. However, centres will choose two of the remaining three modules. So compared to 2019, in 2022, students will be examined on three modules rather than four.

The modules that students at St Francis will sit will be **The USA Government and People 1945-75**, and **War and British Society c 790 to 2010.** Students in 2022 will therefore not be required to study the Depth Studies (Castles and English Civil War) module identified as Year 11 Depth Studies on the curriculum map. We assume this will return for 2023, but will not be required for 2022.

All examinations will be harmonised to be out of 50 marks, and of a duration of one hour. So whichever modules students are doing anywhere in the country, they will all sit three one-hour exams, each out of 50 marks, with an additional 10 Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar marks on the International Relations module, so all students will end up, whichever modules they sit, with a mark out of 160, and grades will be calculated from this.

This is a sensible decision to accommodate time lost over the last two years. However, Year 11 have completed the USA and International Relations modules, and are well on schedule to complete the War and Society module, leaving time for revision.