



Ref: ALA/dc

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Dear Parent / Carer,

**Re: Year 9 and 10 History Directed Study**

As you are aware, your son/daughter is studying GCSE History here at Southchurch High School. In addition to their scheduled weekly lessons, there is a resource available which I would like to make you aware of, which will help to promote rapid progress and enable every GCSE History student to reach the very peak of their potential.

On Mondays and Thursdays after school, 3:00-4:00pm, there is an optional 'Directed Study' hour in which pupils have the opportunity to spend as little or as long as they like in a productive and academic environment for the following help and support:

- Independent revision/teacher directed support with revision techniques.
- Challenge Practice Exam Questions for those who would like additional extended feedback on exam technique and structure.
- Help with homework: many pupils benefit from having a quieter classroom environment to complete homework.
- Support and catch-up with myself in a quiet and purposeful environment.

At various points throughout the year, it may be that your son/daughter will need to attend a compulsory Directed Study session in the event of consistent absence or falling below target. I will contact you directly should this be the case and appreciate your support in advocating this.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries regarding this on 01702 900777.

Yours sincerely,

Mr A. Layzell  
**Teacher of History**