

Dear Student,

All members of the History Department at LCHS look forward to welcoming you in September where a vibrant and varied A Level course awaits you. Until then, the following activities will whet your appetite for one of the main units you will study in year 12.

Pre-Course Task – Biographical sketches.

Our first module of the A-Level course looks at the relationship between the Crown and Parliament between 1625-1701: a period in which a decisive shift in power from one institution (the Monarchy) to the other (Parliament) took place.

In preparation for your first lessons, please complete the short activities described below. Your work will need to be printed out and handed in on the date of your first history lesson.

The Task:

Complete brief biographical sketches of the following key individuals from the Seventeenth Century:

James I
Charles I
John Pym
Oliver Cromwell
Charles II
James II
Sir Isaac Newton
Mary II
William III

Include details such as date of birth, background, upbringing, significant events in the individuals' lives; impact on the area in which they were prominent; date and circumstances of death and legacy.

The department and school library have materials you may wish to access but it would be far more rewarding to visit your local library and procure some resources yourself. Please avoid Wikipedia, but rather show some initiative in researching the information you need.

We look forward to assessing the fruits of your labour!

Regards,

LCHS History Department