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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 & 9 History

The curriculum for our students at this stage in Key Stage 3 continues to be enriched by the use of video and media. Extracts from feature films such as 'Saving Private Ryan' or 'Downfall' do much to bring to life the units of study on the Twentieth Century. Similarly, the study of the Black Peoples of the Americas and the Civil Rights Movement in the U.S. is supported with extracts from films such as 'Amistad'. The students not only get to look at events in a dramatic context, we also explore film as an interpretation of history and, therefore, its value and accuracy as an historical source.

Some of the extracts from such material are technically rated as 15. However, we are careful to ensure that students are prepared appropriately and there are always follow-up activities and discussion. During their study of the Holocaust, students will have the opportunity to watch the film 'Schindler's List' released to all schools some years ago by the Holocaust Memorial Society as material to support the teaching of such an important part of history.

We are looking for your support to enable us to deliver effectively the History Curriculum, by signing and returning the consent form below.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Keene
Key Stage 3 Curriculum Co-ordinator for History

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Please complete this form and return to your child's History Tutor

I/we(Parent/Carer name) give permission for

My/our child..... (Student name) to see extracts of films/the whole of Schindler's List, rated as 15, as part of their History Curriculum.

Signed: (Parent/Carer) Date: