

# MODERN HISTORY



“The more you know about the past, the better prepared you are for the future”- Theodore Roosevelt

## **Modern History at Mackay Christian College has two main aims:**

- First, Modern History seeks to have students gain historical knowledge and understanding about some of the main forces that have contributed to the development of the Modern World;
- Second, Modern History aims to have students think historically and form a historical consciousness in relation to these same forces.

Both aims complement and build on the learning covered in the Australian Curriculum: Year 7–10 History. The first aim is achieved through the thematic organisation of Modern History around four of the forces that have helped to shape the Modern World: ideas, movements, national experiences and international experiences.

The second aim is achieved through the rigorous application of historical concepts and historical skills across the syllabus. To fulfil both aims, Modern History uses a model of inquiry learning.

Modern History benefits students as it enables them to thrive in a dynamic, globalised and knowledge-based world. Through Modern History, students acquire an intellectual toolkit consisting of future focused skills.

This ensures students of Modern History gain a range of transferable skills that will help them forge their own pathways to personal and professional success, as well as become empathetic and critically-literate citizens who are equipped to embrace a multicultural, pluralistic, inclusive, democratic, compassionate and sustainable future.

## **Career Opportunities:**

- Historian / Museum Attendant
- Museum attendant
- Librarian
- Law clerk
- Writer
- Parliamentarian
- Tour guide
- Teacher
- Journalist
- Business / Economist

