



# Curious about ... History

## **KS5 RECOMMENDED VIEWING**

There are so many fabulous films that we would love our students to watch. Here are some of the History Team's favourites – some are just great films; some show a part of our History that we should know about and understand. Many of our choices are based on real events, people and stories. Please check with your parent(s) or carers that they are happy for you to watch our choices first, to make sure they are suitable for you.

**Viceroy's House** (2017) – certificate 12. Gurinder Chadha's film about the period of partition and handing back control of India to the Indian people.

**Gandhi** (1982)- certificate PG. Biographical film about the life of Gandhi, directed by Richard Attenborough

**Apollo 13** (1995) – certificate PG. NASA's most successful failure. A gripping space film – a true story starring Tom Hanks and Kevin Bacon.

**Schindler's List** (1993) – certificate 15. The story of Oskar Schindler and his efforts to save Jewish workers from the Nazis. This film is graphic and violent – but a very important story of the Holocaust based on true events.

**12 Years A Slave** (2013) – certificate 15. Based on the true story of Solomon Northup – a free man who was captured and sold into slavery.

**Amistad** (1997)- certificate 15. Shows the horrors of the middle passage and an interesting story around the Spanish owned captured slave ship, "La Amistad".

**42** (2023) – certificate 12A. Based on the story of the first professional black American baseball player, Jackie Robinson. Chadwick Boseman stars in this story of racism in the USA and making history in the quest for civil rights.

**Hidden Figures** (2016) – certificate PG. African American women and their mathematical contributions to the Space Race in 20<sup>th</sup> century America.

**1917** (2019) – certificate 15. A First World War drama directed and produced by Sam Mendes. Bravery, sacrifice and the horror and loss of War.

**Dances With Wolves** (1990) – certificate 15. This film won seven Oscars. A Civil War hero mans a remote outpost in South Dakota. He slowly learns about the Lakota people – and leaves behind his life to join the tribe. Then the white Americans arrive...

