AQA 2G: The Birth of the USA, 1760–1801
This option provides for the study in depth of the years in which thirteen American colonies chose to sever their links with Great Britain and thus found the USA. This study explores the concepts of imperialism, mercantilism and legitimate government and encourages students to reflect upon the interplay of forces from below and above, the importance of ideology and the economy in political development and the issues facing those who attempt to challenge an established authority.

History Summer Holiday Homework
In order to get you **thinking** about A level History, to show your **commitment** to the course, and to confirm to yourself that this is the **course for you**, you need to carry out some **research** and produce a **project** of **your own work** on George Washington, the Head of the Continental Army during the American War of Independence and the 1st President of the United States of America. This is an **essential introduction to the A level course followed at MV16.**

You will need to research Washington and must include:
- A brief timeline of key events in Washington's life
- A written biography

You should also include:
- A summary of key events such as his career and attitude to the British before the War, his actions during the war (e.g. Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Yorktown) and his role afterwards including his Presidency

You could also include:
- An evaluation of Washington's strengths and weaknesses
- A conclusion with your substantiated view of Washington

This project can be in any format; booklet, leaflet, essay, power-point, display etc., but it must be able to be stored in your A level History folder. It is expected that it should take you approximately 5 hours to complete. There is no word limit and **copying and pasting off the internet is not acceptable.**

This must be handed in during **your 1st History lesson** or can be emailed to me at claire.preston@mv16.org.uk.

Your work will be graded to A level standard.

Any questions please ask.