

# INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTIONS FROM 1770'S TO FUTURE

**“History is not the past but a map of the past, drawn from a particular point of view, to be useful to the modern traveler.”**

We owe our modern society to the Industrial Revolution which began in the latter half of the 18<sup>th</sup> Century and continues today. This history unit will follow topics from the 1750's to the future in each session, sparing participants the tedious form of history we studied at school. We will examine topics such as the steam, concrete and coal revolutions in transport and revolutions in our society in terms of poverty, wealth and the making of our current culture. Some aspects will be controversial, such as the unit on energy which will confront global warming issues and the future. Others might be frightening such as the future impact of Artificial Intelligence on our society.

This unit will celebrate what humans have and are achieving, whilst recognising the frailty of our natures and our innate capacity for actions both good and bad.

Most of all this unit will hopefully prove that studying history is not just about events, but the joy of finding out more about us.