

# Preparation for Year 12 History Summer Task

## Paper 1: The Making of a Super Power, USA 1865-1975

### **Welcome!**

Hello Future Historians!

We're very excited to welcome you to Hinchingsbrooke and to cover over 100 years of American history!

Paper 1 explores how the relatively young country of America recovers from arguably its darkest moment – Civil War – to becoming one of the greatest powers globally.

Our course begins within this troubled time of the Civil War – so it's a brilliant place for you to start building your knowledge!

### **Summer Task**

Please read the article provided and use your own research complete the following tasks:

#### Causes of the War

1. Bullet point notes on the different causes of the war.
2. Is it fair to call it a war about slavery? Explain why you would and/or would not agree with this interpretation.

#### Impact of the War

1. Bullet point the impacts of the war – you might want to consider the economic impact on the South, the Social Impact on Black Americans and the Political impact on the country.
2. Explain what you believe the greatest impact of the war was for the USA.

