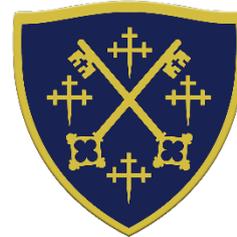


A Level: Politics

Specification: Edexcel



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Love it or hate it, you can't escape the fact that politics has a direct impact upon your life. Because Politics is a living subject and constantly changing, there's never a dull moment. You don't have to be a budding politician for this course, but you will need to have an interest in the systems which govern our society.

Studying the political systems of the UK and USA will open your eyes to international relations and global issues. Everyone has a view on what's wrong with the world and how to put it right, so there are fantastic opportunities for discussion and debate. Keeping up to date with the news is essential, so that your analysis and writing are based on the latest developments.

Subject Content

<u>Component 1:</u>	<u>Component 2:</u>	<u>Component 3:</u>
UK Politics and Core Political Ideas	UK Government	Comparative Politics
1. <u>Political Participation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Democracy and participation• Political parties• Electoral systems• Voting behaviour and the media 2. <u>Core Political Ideas</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conservatism• Liberalism• Socialism	1. <u>UK Government</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The constitution• Parliament• Prime Minister & executive• Relationships between the branches 2. <u>Political Ideas</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Anarchism	1. <u>USA</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The US Constitution & federalism• US Congress• US Presidency• US Supreme Court• Democracy & participation• Civil Rights

The course is suitable for students who:

- Are lively and have an inquiring mind
- Have an interest in current affairs and how the country is run
- Are keen to participate in debate
- Like to ask challenging questions about the country we live in
- Enjoy finding out answers for themselves
- Work well in groups and like to share ideas

Enrichment:

Year 12 visit to Westminster/Supreme Court

Year 12/13 debating society run and organised by students

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