

## A LEVEL POLITICS

Examining Board  
EDEXCEL

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### Course Content:

The A Level Politics course will be made up of three units, studied over Year 12-13. Students will have the option of taking two exams for the AS qualification at the end of Year 12. The content for the AS qualification is developed incorporated and developed within the A Level course.

### AS

- UK politics - democracy, political parties, electoral systems and voting and the media
- The UK Government - constitutions, parliament and the Prime Minister

### A Level

- UK politics and core political ideas - as above plus core political ideas (conservatism, liberalism, socialism)
- The UK Government and non-core political ideas - as above plus multiculturalism
- \* Comparative Politics - global politics

Whether we realise it or not Government and Politics is central to our everyday lives. Politics dominates domestic and foreign news and political decisions help to determine how we are educated, housed, cared for in hospital and kept secure from crime and violence. The study of Politics is greatly valued by universities and can also lead to a wide range of careers.

We will be following the new Edexcel specification. The linear A-Level course is made up of three units, each assessed by a 2 hour exam. Should students take the subject as an AS Level they will be assessed by two 1.5 hour exams. For more detail please visit the Politics or History stands or see Mrs Viner or Mr Fletcher.

### Lesson style:

Teacher lead, practical activities, independent research

### Time Allocation:

4 hours per week

### Private Study Requirement:

2 – 3 hours per week

### Extra-Curricular Opportunities

Trips to include the Houses of Parliament, Supreme Court and visiting guest speakers from all major political parties and the House of Lords.

### Advisable for following careers:

Law, Journalism, Teaching, Any public service careers

### Good Combination with:

English, Sociology, Psychology, Geography, History, Philosophy and Ethics, Economics