

## **POLITICS EDEXCEL GCE**

### **Course Content**

Edexcel Advanced GCE in Politics

Pupils will take three examinations at the end of this two year course in the following components :

Component 1: UK Politics and Core Political Ideas , pupils will study political participation and core political ideas including conservatism and socialism

Component 2: UK Government and Non-Core Political Idea, pupils will study the UK constitution and political ideas such as feminism.

Component 3: Comparative Politics, pupils will study the political system of the USA

### **Teaching and Learning**

Politics is relevant to almost every aspect of the world around us. Politicians are responsible for the public services we use and how they are organised and funded. The decisions that affect our schools and colleges, our health services, transport network and armed forces are all political decisions.

Pupils will learn about the processes and institutions at the heart of politics and government in the UK. How fair and representative is our voting system? How do people organise themselves to put pressure on government? How powerful is Parliament? If you are interested in these and similar questions, then this is the subject for you.

### **Assessment**

Pupils will take three examinations at the end of this two year course.

Component 1: UK Politics and Core Political Ideas - Examination – 2 hours

Component 2: UK Government and Non-Core Political Ideas - Examination – 2 hours

Component 3: Comparative Politics - Examination – 2 hours

### **Progression**

This course will provide an excellent foundation for further study at University. Pupils will learn how to select and analyse information, how to discriminate between different viewpoints and to make a case. All of these are essential skills in a great variety of career paths, including law, journalism, the media and the civil service.

### **Entry Requirements**

5 GCSEs ( including English Language)

### **Examination Board**

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### **Further Details**

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