

Subject	Politics
Curriculum intent	<p>A level politics explains how politicians in the UK and USA attempt to gain power and exercise it. It looks at political parties, the role of the Prime Minister and US president, how the House of Commons and House of Lords works, what the US Congress does, the role of the Supreme Court, what devolution is, the role of the media and how elections work. We also study 4 political viewpoints - liberalism, conservatism, socialism and ecologism.</p> <p>Politics will develop your essay-writing skills. It will also furnish you with a range of viewpoints and considerations so you can come to your own conclusions about how power is wielded in the UK and America. It should make you more open-minded but also enable you to draw your own conclusions about the great political questions of the day.</p>
Key Stage 5	<p>A level Politics</p> <p>Paper 1 - Government and politics of the UK 33% of the overall mark 2 hour written exam Section A - 3 short questions Section B - an essay question based on an extract Section C - one essay chosen from a choice of 2</p> <p>Paper 2 - Government and politics of the USA 33% of the overall mark 2 hour written exam Section A - 3 short questions Section B - an essay question based on an extract Section C - one essay chosen from a choice of 2</p> <p>Paper 3 - Political ideas 33% of the overall mark 2 hour written exam Section A - 3 short questions on liberalism, conservatism and socialism Section B - an essay question based on an extract Section C - one essay on ecologism</p>