Our curriculum in Politics

What is the purpose of Politics?	Department information
Our intention in Politics is to empower students to gain an in-depth understanding of national and global political structures and issues, alongside the big questions political ideologies seek to answer. Successful teaching and learning will not only see students of all prior attainments and individual contexts (especially vulnerable learners) achieve their best in final examinations, but also formulate their own reasoned judgements on issues, rationally arguing their case and rebutting opponents'. We want to stimulate a passion for politics in our students by linking the course to national and world events, and inspire them to create the change they want to see in the world, motivating them to engage politically beyond the curriculum, whether through their MP, a political party, a single-issue group, or by educating others. We create an inclusive learning environment through a vulnerable first strategy.	Core Leader: Victoria Cooper (Humanities) Subject Leader: Rob Gaudin Exam board: Edexcel

How do we develop Arthur Terry Learners?
In Politics we develop Arthur Terry Learners by regular reference to the ATL habits in lessons and use of praise to reinforce these. Students are supported to take ownership of their learning and take an active approach in lessons. Students are regularly directed to reflect on their skills and how they can best make progress.

	Topics/Units	Summary of key content
12	**UK Politics (Paper 1, Section A)** **UK Government (Paper 2, Section A)**	- Democracy and Participation - Political Parties - Electoral Systems - Voting behaviour and media - Constitution - Parliament - Prime Minister and Executive - Relations between Branches
13	**Core Ideologies (Paper 2, Section B)**	- Liberalism

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	Optional Ideology (Paper 1, Section B)	- Conservatism - Socialism - Multiculturalism
	Global Politics (Paper 3)	- Theories of Global Politics - Sovereignty and globalisation - Political and economic global governance - Human rights and environmental - European Union & Regionalism - Power and developments