



Sixth Form (Y12-13)

	Year 12		Year 13	
Half Term 1	<p>Democracy & Participation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative vs Direct Democracy • Participation Crisis • Wider Franchise & suffrage debates 	<p>Constitution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nature & Sources • Changes to UK Constitution • Devolved Bodies • Reform Debates 	<p>Democracy & Participation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electoral Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Presidential Elections ◦ Campaign Finance • Political Parties <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Distribution of Power ◦ Factions within ◦ Coalitions 	<p>Constitution & Federalism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The nature of the US Constitution • The key features of the US Constitution and an evaluation of their effectiveness today. • The main characteristics of US federalism. • Interpretations and debates around the US Constitution and federalism.
Half Term 2	<p>Democracy & Participation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pressure Groups • Rights in Context <p>Electoral Systems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different Electoral Systems • Referendums • Electoral System Analysis 	<p>Parliament</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role and Powers of House of Commons & House of Lords • Legislative process • Parliament & Executive 	<p>Democracy & Participation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Significance ◦ Resources ◦ Tactics • Interpretations of US democracy and participation 	<p>Congress</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The structure of Congress • The functions of Congress: representation, legislative, oversight. • Interpretations and debates around Congress
Half Term 3	<p>Political Parties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Functions, Features & Funding • Established Political Parties • Minor UK Political Parties • Party systems analysis 	<p>PM & Executive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power of Executive • Ministerial Responsibility • PM & Cabinet 	<p>Comparative Theories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparisons to Paper 1 • Rational; Cultural; Structural 	<p>Comparative Theories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparisons to Paper 2 • Rational; Cultural; Structural
Half Term 4	<p>Voting Behaviour and Media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three General elections Case studies • Influence of the media 	<p>Relations between Branches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supreme Court and Legislature • Impact of the EU • Location of Sovereignty in UK 	<p>Supreme Court & Civil Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nature & Role of Supreme Court • Appointment process • Protection of Rights 	<p>Presidency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formal sources of presidential power as outlined in the US Constitution and their use. • Informal sources of



Politics Curriculum Overview

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				<p>presidential power and their use</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relationships between the presidency, Congress and Supreme court Limitations on presidential power and why this varies between president
Half Term 5	<p>Ideologies</p> <p>Conservatism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core ideas and Principles Tensions in Conservatism <p>Revision</p>	<p>Nationalism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core ideas and Principles Tensions in Nationalism 	<p>Revision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exam skills - analysis and evaluation. Source work. Content: Democracy and participation, electoral systems, political parties, voting behaviour. Ideologies. 	<p>Revision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exam skills - analysis and evaluation. Source work. Content: Constitution, parliament, presidency, executive. Ideologies
Half Term 6	<p>Ideologies</p> <p>Liberalism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core ideas and Principles Tensions in Liberalism 	<p>Ideologies</p> <p>Socialism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core ideas and Principles Tensions in Socialism 		