



STANGROUND ACADEMY

## POLITICS - INTENT

Our politics curriculum aims to prepare students for a range of challenging academic university degrees and to inspire them to see this as purposeful step towards a highly rewarding career as well as growing as an individual and gaining a deeper understanding of British society. Students will learn about conservatism, liberalism and socialism and will be encouraged to develop a range of critically analytical skills through a deep understanding of these traditional political viewpoints. Students will develop an empathy for differing political views helping gain their own substantial political views but more importantly, learning to understand, respect and value these differences of opinion.

The aims and objectives of this qualification are to enable students to develop knowledge and an informed understanding of contemporary political structures and issues in their historical context, both within the United Kingdom (UK) and globally.

They will develop a critical awareness of the changing nature of politics and the relationships between political ideas, institutions and processes. Students will understand the influences and interests which have an impact on decisions in government and politics. They will understand the rights and responsibilities of individuals and groups. They will gain the ability to critically analyse, interpret and evaluate political information to form arguments and make judgements. This will enable them to not only develop an interest in, and engagement with, contemporary politics but to inspire them to become a more rounded, compassionate and understanding individual and possibly be inspired to find a career in public service.