# **GCSE** Citizenship

A GCSE in Citizenship is beneficial in whatever future career you envisage yourself. It provides you with knowledge, skills and understanding to prepare you to play a full and active part in society.

This GCSE course will equip you with the skills and knowledge to explore political and social issues, to weigh evidence, debate and make reasoned arguments. It will also prepare you to take your place in society as a responsible citizen.

## Programme of Study and Assessment (Edexcel)

Students will be assessed by two written examinations at the end of the course.

#### **Taking Citizenship Action**

Take Citizenship action out of the classroom to address an issue or question of concern! Previous campaigns have included changing the law regarding trolling and knife crime and providing a constant water supply to a school in The Gambia.

#### Living Together in the UK

Students are introduced to the idea that Britain is a diverse society, considering their democratic rights and freedoms, including Human Rights.

#### Democracy at Work in the UK

Exploring the role of Government, students will discover how laws are made and shaped in the UK.

#### Law and Justice

Students explore why we need laws and how law affects us in our everyday lives. They also learn about the features of the criminal, civil and justice systems.

#### **Power and Influence**

Considering the power of the people and contrasting this power against governmental and media power, in a range of local and global situations such as Back Lives Matter and the Covid-19 pandemic. Students will build and develop an understanding of their rights and freedoms of citizens.

### **Useful links**

GCSE (9-1) Citizenship Studies – Specification (Issue 2)