



St George's School  
*Aim Higher*

# Sixth Form Options

Politics  
AQA



# Politics

at St. George's

“The most exciting Politics department in the country”

Director of the UCL Constitution Unit

“St. George's Politics events are a flagship for how school events should be run”

Michael Crick- Legendary broadcaster and founding member of Channel 4 News

**A busy year for politics...**



**2025**

# A busy year for politics...



**Why  
choose  
politics?**

# Past Students

"I can confidently say choosing this course was one of the best decisions I have made. Whether you are a lifelong politics enthusiast or are keen for a new challenge, I found there was space for everyone in this course."

Maddie - (Class of '20)

History & Politics - graduate (Cambridge)

# Past Students

“As someone who was skeptical about choosing Politics, I can wholeheartedly say I am immensely glad I went through with it! The opportunities that Politics A-Level provides are experiences no other A-Level can offer.” -

Ruby - (Class of '23), History & Politics:  
Oxford undergraduate

# Past Students

“My experience of Politics at St George’s was nothing short of amazing. The teachers would continuously show us the fun within politics, not being limited by the curriculum, while also teaching us a subject in great detail and precision.”

Leke, Monk House captain (class of '23)

York University: undergraduate.



# Past Students

“There is not a more topical and up to date subject than Politics A Level.”

-Millie, Goddard house captain  
(Class of '23) Nottingham  
University: undergraduate

# Past Students

“Politics has given me a lens in which I can see the world in ways I never thought I could and inspired me to take such a fab subject at university.”

Poppy (Class of '22)

Goddard house captain

Sheffield undergraduate

# 2023-2025 Highlights

- St George's Question Time
- Year 12 vs Year 13 Debate
- USA Trip
- House of Commons/Supreme Court visit
- Recording a podcast with Sir Keir Starmer
- Fortnightly Have I Got News For You quiz



# Coming up for '25-'26



# What is politics?

- The study of POWER
- What power is...
- How you get it!
- Who has it...
- Who should have it...



# Who teaches politics?



**Mr. Ellis**



**Mr. Buckley**



**Mrs. Sabato**

# Entry requirements

To study politics, you need the standard St. George's sixth form entry requirements and a grade 6 in:

- History, or
- English Literature, or
- English Language

Politics is also a consortium subject, meaning we accept students from KWS, SJL and RPS!

“Politics was by far my favourite A Level and the opportunities given outside of the classroom were unparalleled”

Zak B, consortium class of '23, Politics undergraduate at University of Sheffield

“A superb option that will help you gain an understanding of the wider world and have a lot of fun along the way”

Ross B - consortium. Class of '23. Law undergraduate at University of York

# What subjects does it go with?

- Any! Politics provides you with a worldview and set of skills of analysis, interpretation, evaluation and argumentation that will help you in any subject, even maths- or art-based subjects.
- That being said, there is some course overlap between Politics and History, RE, and Economics.  
Politics/Economics is an increasingly popular combination.
- We are seeing an increasing trend in universities/employers liking the combination of Politics with Maths and STEM subjects.



# What do we study?



# The subject

01

**Paper 1**  
***Government and  
Politics of the UK***

02

**Paper 2**  
***Government and  
Politics of the USA  
& Comparative  
Politics***

03

**Paper 3**  
***Political Ideas***

# The format

3 written exams, containing:

- Short 9 mark questions testing knowledge and analysis
- 1 extract question and 1 essay question, both testing knowledge, analysis, and evaluation.

# Aims of the course

Develop an awareness of the changing nature of politics

Develop knowledge of key institutions and processes

Understand responsibilities of individuals and groups

Develop skills of critical analysis, interpretation and argumentation

Develop an interest in, and engagement with, contemporary politics

# 2024 results

**A\*:  
21%**

**A\*-A:  
56%**

**A\*-B:  
74%**

**A\*-C:  
91%**

**Did you know...**

**That 80% of 2023's Oxbridge entrants from St. George's took Politics A-Level?**

# What sort of work is involved?



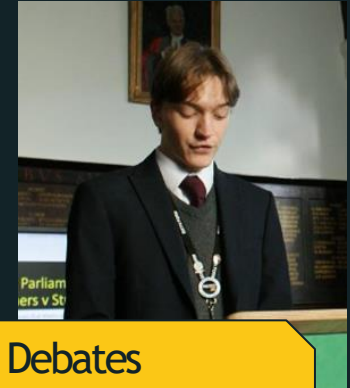
Discussions



News quizzes



Research



Debates



Presentations



Active learning



Reading



Essay writing

# Reasons to study Politics

- One of the fastest growing A Levels.
- Oxbridge/Russell Group universities love it.
- Great trips/outside talks.
- Opportunity to debate.
- Your friends who don't study Politics will constantly be asking for your advice.
- A chance to understand the past and present and engage in real live events.
- Versatile subject that you can combine with any A Level combination.

# Reasons to study Politics

Dr Guest (Professor Emeritus of Legal Philosophy, UCL):

- “Politics prepares students for undergraduate studies and the real world more than any other A-level.”
- “It is a live subject which means that students **develop beyond textbook learning** and develop skills involving the world around them”
- “We know a high achieving Politics A-level student will have the **skillset to deal with any challenge** that they have to deal with academically or vocationally.”



# More Info...

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# Any questions for the students?

