

# CITIZENSHIP

## COURSE DETAILS

### Citizenship Studies (8100)

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## COURSE CONTENT

Students will gain a deeper knowledge of democracy, government and law. They will learn how to create sustained and reasoned arguments, present their own viewpoints and those of others, and plan practical citizenship action that delivers benefits for society.

They will also gain the ability to recognize bias, critically evaluate argument, weigh evidence, and look for alternative interpretations and sources of evidence. Higher education and employers value all of these essential skills.

1. Citizenship Skills, Processes and Methods
2. Life in Modern Britain
3. Rights and Responsibilities
4. Politics and Participation
5. Active Citizenship

## ASSESSMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Citizenship is assessed through examinations and it is 100% exam-based. Students will sit two papers in the Summer of Year 11: Paper 1, Active Citizenship, (1 hour 45 min) accounts for 50% of the mark and will cover multiple choice questions, short essay questions and extended essay questions. Paper 2, Life in Modern Britain and Rights & Responsibilities, (1 hour 45 min) accounts for 50% of the mark and will cover multiple choice questions, short essay questions and extended essay questions.

The nature of the course is skills-based and students are required to show they understand information in sources as well as giving their opinion on issues and backing arguments up with evidence.

Students will be assessed departmentally through Years 10 and 11 and they will be given assessment that will include exam-style questions that are typical of the ones that they can expect in their external exams.

## HOMEWORK

Homework is given in accordance with the school homework timetable. Homework could take the form of research tasks, exam practice or creative projects. Alongside this, students should organise their own revision programme in preparation for any assessments, mock exams and the final external exam.

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