

# A level Politics

## at Conyers Sixth Form



**Do we really live in a democracy where our views are heard? Is our electoral system in need of reform? Do we need more women and ethnic minorities in Parliament? Is the president of the US really the most powerful person in the world? How well are human rights protected in the UK? Does Brexit matter? Which political party will you be voting for? Does socialism never work? Is capitalism the best way to run the economy? Why is nationalism on the rise and is it dangerous? Studying Politics is all about the real world and involves forming opinions on a whole range of issues— health, education, immigration, terrorism, climate change, war, benefits, tax avoidance etc. Politics is a rigorous subject which prepares students to become active and informed citizens.**

### **Course content**

Paper 1: UK politics

Paper 2: US politics and comparative

Paper 3: Political ideologies

### **Assessments:**

There are 3 exams at the end of Y13.



### **Opportunities and experiences in Politics:**

- London Westminster conference with opportunity to meet high profile MPs
- Trip to Westminster Parliament
- Visit by local MP to school
- Debates with other local schools

# What can you do with A level Politics?

## Careers include:

- Politics and the civil service
- Law and Criminology
- Teaching and education
- Business
- Journalism
- Media



## Politics and History at Cambridge University



*"Politics is the most interesting subject I study. One of the best experiences I have at Conyers is when we learn about an aspect of how our political system functions and then understanding how it fits in to the topics we see all over the news and developing my own views on issues, and challenging my own views on issues. It even inspired me to pursue a history and politics degree at university, and its been a great help in deciding what path I want to take in the future."* Lewis

## Law at Newcastle University

*"Studying Politics at A-level has given me the opportunity to explore aspects of law which further intrigued me into the subject and into applying for the course at university. In particular, I've enjoyed learning about the supreme court in US politics and the constitution on the UK side. In addition, I've gained useful experience in essay writing and developed my analytical skills further."* Amelia



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