

KS4 Citizenship Curriculum Booklet

SPWT Citizenship

Citizenship Studies encourages students to be inspired, moved and changed by following a broad, coherent, satisfying and worthwhile course of study. This will enable students to gain the confidence and conviction to participate in decision making and play an active role as effective citizens in public life. It will enable students to engage with current issues and contribute to debates on challenges in society.

They will develop and apply understanding of key citizenship concepts such as justice, democracy, rights and responsibilities as well as learning how to use an enquiring and critical approach to distinguish between facts and opinions to make informed judgements.

This course will equip them with the skills they need to be an active citizen with a well-developed understanding of the systems and processes all around them.

Topic Areas:

Theme A	Living together in the UK: Students learn about community, migration, identity, respect, discrimination, rights and responsibilities in the UK.
Theme B	Democracy at work in the UK: Students learn about how elections work, the voting systems, how governments are formed, how laws are made and devolution.
Theme C	How the law works: Students explore the point of the law, the difference between civil and criminal law, types of courts, sentencing and how we can reduce crime.
Theme D	Power and influence: Students look at the different ways people can participate in a democracy, ways to increase voter turnout, trade unions, the media and their role in democracy.
Theme E	Taking Citizenship action: Students work in a team on an issue of their choosing (environment, human rights, democracy, and the law) and then deliver an event, meeting or campaign to raise awareness and help others.

Year 10 (Edexcel)

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Theme A	Theme A	Theme A Theme B	Theme B	Theme C	Theme C

Year 11 (Edexcel)

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Theme D	Theme D	Theme E	Theme E	Revision	Revision

More details about the GCSE course can be found at:

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/citizenship-studies-2016.html>

Supporting your child in Citizenship

These are some ideas and resources to help you support your child with their learning. Try these out and add any that you think might work for them.

Revision Tips

- Test your child's knowledge using their knowledge organisers
- Create flashcards for each case study learnt and use these to test your child's knowledge
- Create topic mind maps that link the key concepts learnt together
- Discuss recent news stories in the topic areas your child is studying (look to suggested news websites for guidance)

Relevant documentaries

I, Daniel Blake
BBC One Panorama
Louis Theroux's Weird Weekends
Stephen: The Murder That Changed a Nation
Reggie Yates Extreme

Reading for Pleasure

KS4:

A Child Called It- Dave Pelzer
Wonder- R.J Palacio
Of Mice and Men- John Steinbeck
Lord of the Flies- William Golding
The Book Thief- Marcus Zusak
To Kill a Mockingbird – Harper Lee

Websites to follow

Newsround

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround>

BBC News

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news>

BBC One Panorama

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006t14n>

Stacey Dooley Investigates:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b03h2nqh>

YouTube: Miss Morris Manc

<https://www.youtube.com/c/MissMorrisManc/videos>

BBC Bitesize PSHE and Citizenship

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z3ckjxs>

YouTube: UK Parliament

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMasyWuE1P2AaEKwFkGq9g>

STEPS TO SUCCESS:

- Check your child is using their knowledge organizers to learn core content
- Check your child is completing all independent learning tasks set
- Check your child is completing wider reading in the topic areas