

# Our Curriculum: Government and Politics.

## Our Intent

As a result of our curriculum, Headlands students will be inspired to:

- understand the disputes in current affairs, the news and social media;
- appreciate the importance and structure of British values and democracy, with a knowledge of where power lies;
- develop an interest in political ideas that have shaped the past and future in both daily life and the country;
- interpret, evaluate and comment on increasingly turbulent events in the government and politics of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

## Our Implementation

In order to realise our vision, our curriculum will provide students with opportunities to:

- debate political issues and appreciate that successful democracy is all about how society manages differing opinions;
- develop essay writing skills by analysing and evaluating key arguments and being able to support these with specific examples;
- use enquiring minds to investigate just what is going on in the world today and why;
- build on skills in research, communication and team building;
- know who has political power and how representative are political systems are;
- learn how political decisions are made.

## The Impact

The impact of our curriculum will be evidenced in:

- students' promotion of compromise and concession as well as strength of conviction;
- enjoyment of discussion and acceptance that there are no right or wrong answers;
- well rounded students who champion that it's through politics that many important questions are answered and global challenges are addressed;
- encouraging other students to recognise just how great an influence politics has on us all;
- strong examination results with an increasing number of students who use politics in their future destinations.

**Above all, our students are aware of the structure and functions of government, that political conflict does occur, and that democracy is the right way to participate and resolve issues.**

