

## **Law - AQA**

### **Course Content**

This course allows students to develop their knowledge and understanding of the law in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. It develops an understanding of legal methods, the ability to communicate legal arguments and conclusions as well as the ability to think logically and analyse and solve problems through the application of legal rules.

The course has been designed to cover topics such as procedures in the criminal courts, the magistrates and jury system, the offences of murder, manslaughter and GBH and concepts such as justice and morality.

### **Lesson Structure**

Lessons are structured to develop your problem solving, logical analysis, essay writing and independent learning skills through the use of e-learning, group work on problem solving exercises, case studies, research activities, role-play activities, discussions and debate.

### **Assessment Pattern**

Two year linear course with written exams that will assess your understanding of the following topics:

#### **Paper One**

The nature of law (such as the relationship between law and justice and law and morality) and the English legal system including criminal courts and the legal professions.

#### **Paper Two**

The law of tort including duty of care and breaches in the duty of care.

#### **Paper Three**

Criminal Law including murder and manslaughter (both voluntary and involuntary)

#### **Paper Four**

One further area of criminal law (such as the defences of intoxication and insanity) or tort (nuisance, vicarious liability)

### **Extra Information**

The course is entirely exam based and includes visiting speakers such as University Law students and magistrates as well as visits to local Crown and Magistrates' Courts.

Whether you want a career in the law or in other areas like education, human resources, finance or business, A Level Law can open doors for you. Lots of GCE Law students also study Business Studies, Sociology, Psychology, Government & Politics, History, English, Critical Thinking and Philosophy. A Level Law can be a great asset if you wish to study Law at University. A minimum grade of a C at GCSE in English is essential whilst due to the analytical nature of the subject a B would be highly desirable.