

Subject Area: [Politics] Subject Leader: [Anne Halliwell]

## Year [12]

Term	Topics/ Content Overview	Key concepts/ core knowledge/ key vocabulary	Assessments/ checkpoints (where relevant)	Careers' Links
Autumn Term 1	Unit 2 Parliament – The structure and role of the House of Commons Comparative powers of House of Commons and Lords Unit 1 -Representative Democracy and direct democracy Wider franchise and debates over suffrage Pressure Groups	Scrutiny Backbencher Opposition Parliamentary Privilege	CA1 House of Commons	
Autumn Term 2	Unit 2 - Role and structure of House of Lords Comparative powers of Commons and Lords  Unit 1 – Pressure Groups Rights in context Functions of political parties	Parliament Act Salisbury Convention	CA2 The Lords	

Spring Term 1	Unit 2 – The Prime Minister and Executive The concept of Ministerial responsibility The PM and Cabinet	Executive Cabinet Royal prerogative Individual Responsibility	CA3 The PM	
	PM case studies 1945-1997 and 1997-present	Collective Cabinet		
		Responsibility		
	Unit 1 – Established political parties	Foley's Thesis and presidential		
	Emerging and minor parties	government		
	Parties in context			

Spring Term 2	Unit 2 The Constitution Nature and sources of UK Constitution Parliamentary sovereignty and the rule of law Constitutional Reform Devolution and debates on further reform  Unit 1 Different electoral systems Referendums Electoral systems analysis Factors influencing voting behaviour	Entrenched/Unentrenched Codified/Uncodified Unitary / federal Rule of Law Statute Law Conventions Authoritative Works Devolution /Asymmetrical Devolution	CA4 Devolution	
Summer Term 1	Unit 2: Relations between the branches – The Supreme Court The aims, role and impact of the European Union  Unit 1 Factors influencing turnouts Case studies of 3 general Elections Influence of the media on voting behaviour	Supreme Court Judicial neutrality and judicial independence European Union Four freedoms of the EU	Year 12 Exams / AS Exams	
Summer Term 2	Unit 2 -Non core ideologies Feminism Option – Waves of feminism, types of feminism, Key thinkers in feminism Focus on key strands of Human nature, economy, state and society Unit 1– Core ideologies: Liberalism and Conservatism	Liberal feminism Radical feminism Postmodern feminism Socialist feminism Capitalism Intersectionality Otherness	Summative comparative 24mark essay - Feminism	

