



**OVERVIEW**

The curriculum at KS4 continues to develop students understanding of the wider world, encouraging them to be considerate and well-informed citizens who participate fully in society. We follow the Edexcel Citizenship specification and cover 5 key themes across the two years. Y10 students will begin the GCSE Citizenship course by studying theme A 'living together in the UK'. This topic focusses on Britain and what it is like to live in Britain in modern society, including the journey taken to get to modern day Britain. In term 2, students then begin to study their second module, 'democracy at work'. This topic relates specifically to the structure and role of the government and parliament and embeds the theme of democracy throughout. Finally, in term 3 of Y10, students will have the opportunity to work collaboratively to plan, research and deliver an action campaign, which raises awareness and provides solutions to current issues facing young adults in Greater Manchester.

**Term 1- Living together in the UK**

**Topics covered within the Y10 Living together in the UK module:**

How has Britain changed?  
The impact on public services  
Respect and tolerance  
Identity  
Types of rights  
Human rights  
Local councils  
Taxes

**Assessment:**

Students in Y10 will continue to be assessed using both formative and summative methods. The Academy wide 'Big Write' programme will assess students' knowledge and understanding and develop students' critical evaluation skills. Students in Y10 will sit a mid- year and end of year mock exam. The 'Big Write' question that students will be asked in the living together in the UK topic is: 'as the UK population ages, we will have to ration healthcare for the elderly' how far do you agree?

**Term 2- Democracy at work**

**Topics covered within the Y10 Democracy at work module**

Political parties  
Types of democracy  
Types of voting systems  
Forming and organising a government  
The role of the Prime Minister  
The House of Commons and House of Lords  
Passing laws in the UK  
The British Constitution  
Devolution

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**Term 3- Citizenship action campaign**

**Topics covered within the Y10 Citizenship action campaign module:**

Choosing your action  
Carrying out research  
Considering points of view  
Planning your action  
Teamwork  
Advocacy  
Protesting  
Campaign  
The impact of your campaign

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**Useful resources for supporting your child at home:**

- Y10 Citizenship Knowledge Organiser
- MS Teams- homework platform
- Oak National Academy- KS4 Citizenship
- BBC Bitesize- KS4 PSHE and Citizenship
- BBC Teach Videos
- Being aware of the news and current affairs