

# LAW

## **EXAMINING BOARD: AQA**

**TITLE:** Law

**ACCREDITATION:** Students taking this course sit common papers and are able to achieve a full range of GCSE grades (G- A\*).

### **NATURE OF THE SUBJECT:**

Law offers you an opportunity to study various legal topics, from how laws are made to how criminals are dealt with!

### **THE CONTENT:**

You will study the following topics in some detail:

1. The English and Welsh Legal System
2. Criminal Law
3. Rights and Responsibilities
4. Law of Torts (Suing another person who injures you)
5. Family Law

### **THE NATURE OF THE WORK:**

In Law there will be varied activities in class. Sometimes you will have to research information on your own and at other times in groups. Although the course involves a lot of writing, there is plenty of opportunity for group discussions and debate. Also, there will be plenty of opportunities to have *mock trials*- these are made up law court cases where students act out the different roles. You will be asked to create your own presentations for the class and have plenty of opportunity to make use of ICT.

### **ASSESSMENT:**

Law is assessed by 2 exam papers, both an hour and a half in length. The first paper will ask you to recall information you have learnt about how the legal system in England and Wales works. The second paper will ask you to explain what will happen to a person after a particular event. All answers are split into sections and you will not be required to write extended essays. There is no coursework in this subject.

### **POSSIBLE CAREERS:**

Law will help you improve your communication skills of writing, listening and speaking. Also, you will develop valuable organisation and debating skills. After successfully completing this course you could go on to study further courses in Law. The law is useful in many careers, but those interested in the following careers could consider studying law: Lawyers, Police, Journalist.

### **WHO IS SUITABLE FOR THE COURSE:**

If you like reading and writing, this course is suitable for you. Those who like to debate will also enjoy this course.

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** Please see Mr R Davies (M4)