



Overview

Students studying Citizenship in Year 7 will begin with the Democracy and Government module, which supports students' involvement in the SCA school council elections. Much of the content links directly to the British Values of democracy and individual liberty. In Term 1, students are not only equipped with the knowledge to learn about the processes involved when living in a democratic society, but also take part in the process, culminating in SCA election day. The theme of democracy and individual liberty is then weaved into Term 2, as students move on to their second module 'human rights and responsibilities'. Within this module, students will explore the history and development of human rights, with a specific focus on the Suffragist and Suffragette movement for women's right to vote. In Term 3 of studying Citizenship, students will study a PSHE and RSE module on the theme of relationships.

Democracy and the Government

Topics covered within the Y7 Democracy and Government module:

- 1- Democratic principles: freedom, fairness and equality
- 2- Parliament
- 3- The role of an MP
- 4- School Council Elections
- 5- School Council Elections – Writing a speech
- 6- Political parties

Assessment:

Checkpoint 1- students will be asked to 'write a speech detailing reasons why you believe you would be a suitable candidate for the SCA student council'.

Human Rights and Responsibilities

Topics covered within the Y7 Human Rights and Responsibilities module:

- 1- The story and development of human rights
- 2- Rights and liberties in society
- 3- Protected characteristics
- 4- The fight for equality - women's right to vote

Assessment:

Checkpoint 2- students will be asked to explain the development of human rights as well as a series of knowledge retrieval questions.

PSHE and RSE

Topics covered within the Y7 PSHE and RSE module:

- 1- Types of relationships and roles of parents
- 2- Unhealthy relationships and domestic violence
- 3- The Law relating to the supply and possession of illegal substances
- 4- Physical and psychological risks of drug taking
- 5- Smoking- costs and impacts
- 6- Alcohol- costs and impacts

Assessment:

Checkpoint 3- students will have an overall knowledge checkpoint quiz to assess their holistic knowledge and understanding of relationships and safe choices.

Useful resources for supporting your child at home:

- Y7 Citizenship Knowledge Organiser
- Oak National Academy- KS3 Citizenship
- BBC Bitesize- PSHE and Citizenship
- BBC Teach Videos
- Being aware of the news and current affairs