



# Wallington High School for Girls

## Sixth Form

<b>Subject: Politics</b>	<b>Exam board: Edexcel</b>
<b>Course information:</b>	
<b><u>Component 1 : UK Politics and Core Political Ideas</u></b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Democracy and participation</li><li>• Political Parties</li><li>• Electoral systems</li><li>• Voting behaviour and the media</li><li>• Core Political Ideas = conservatism, liberalism and socialism</li></ul>	
<b><u>Component 2: UK Government and Non-core Political Ideas</u></b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Constitution</li><li>• Parliament</li><li>• Prime minister and executive</li><li>• Relationships between parliament, executive and judiciary</li><li>• Non-core political ideas = feminism</li></ul>	
<b><u>Component 3: Global Politics</u></b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sovereignty and globalisation</li><li>• Global governance – political and economic</li><li>• Global governance – human rights and environmental</li><li>• Power and development</li><li>• Regionalism</li><li>• Comparative theories = realism, liberalism and anarchism</li></ul>	
All three components have a two hour written examination that is worth 33.3% of the A-Level.	
<b>Summer Transition Work:</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Follow the news carefully throughout the summer holidays (using the magazines/newspapers/podcasts listed below).</li><li>2. Pick two major news stories in the news (one UK focussed and another globally focussed) and produce a few slides on PPT or two sides of A4 summarising the key points of the story and the implications for it in the future.</li></ol>	
<b>Approximate completion time:</b>	
1-2 hours.	
<b>Suggested Summer Wider Reading:</b>	
Here is a suggested list of magazines/Apps/Podcasts. We recommend you use at least <b>four different ones</b> as your sources of current affairs information:	
<u>Magazines/Newspapers</u> (for all of these you can subscribe for a small cost and receive either paper or digital copies. Some of them are available in App form)	
The Economist	
The Spectator	
The New Statesman	
Different newspapers from different political perspectives e.g. The Guardian/The Daily Telegraph	
<u>Apps</u>	
Twitter (follow key politicians and journalists)	
BBC News	
The Week	
<u>Podcasts</u>	
News Agents	
The Rest is Politics	



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