

DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION: LAW

Social Sciences

Law is part of a wider social sciences faculty made up of ten teachers and an administrative assistant. It is a supportive, focused and enthusiastic team who are always looking for innovative and exciting ways to engage students. The team is led by a curriculum co-ordinator, supported by leaders for business and economics, psychology, sociology and law. The faculty has a suite of specialist subject teaching rooms equipped with projectors, a staff room, three ICT rooms and 15 laptops available for booking.

Specification

Law is offered at post-16 and currently there are two groups in Year 12 and two groups in Year 13. The specification in Year 13 is AQA and in Units 3 and 4, students study the criminal law option. Due to specification changes, the current Year 12 are studying the OCR A level law specification and will sit the three A level exams at the end of a two year course of study.

Resources

The law department has a wealth of learning resources, including an online textbook and a learning platform for Year 12 students studying the new specification. There is a designated teaching base with a well-stocked set of textbooks and extra reading materials. The school has an extensive ICT network supported by a team of 4 technicians. Students are able to bring in their own personal devices from home and all members of the school community have remote access to their own desktop.

Progression and success rates

Many of our A level law students choose to study law or a law related discipline at university and the current post holder works closely with the sixth form team in supporting our sixth formers with preparation for university. Law is a highly successful subject, achieving a three year ALPS score of 3 in AS and 2 in A2 and well above the national average, year on year.

Extra-curricular

The Sixth Form Debate Society is run within the Law department and that students have the opportunity to visit the Old Bailey and the Supreme Court.