"The subject changes how you view the world every day, in a more meaningful manner" – *Laurence, Y13*







Are you interested in:

- Learning about social behaviours and key issues
- Current Affairs
- Equality and gender roles
- Social stratification.

Leading to a career in:

- Community and Social work
- Local/central government
- Administration
- Law and Policing
- Teaching
- Healthcare

Teacher to contact: Mr T Watkins

Exam Board: AQA

A-level

Paper 1: Education with Theory and Methods (2 hour written exam)

Education: 50 marks

Some short answer and extended writing. Investigate how the education system operates and its impact on different social groups.

Methods in Context: 20 marks

Extended writing. Learn how sociologists conduct research and analyse data in an educational setting.

Students will engage in theoretical debate while encouraging an active involvement with the research process.

<u>Theory and Methods: 10 marks</u> Extended writing.

Paper 2: Topics in Sociology (2 hour written exam)

<u>Families and Households: 40 marks</u> Extended writing. Explore changing family structures, roles, and relationships.

Media: 40 marks

Extended writing. Analyse the role of the media in society, including media ownership, representation, and the impact of digital communication.

Paper 3: Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods (2 hour written exam)

Crime and Deviance: 50 marks

Some short answer and extended writing. Students will look at crime, deviance, social distribution, globalisation, and crime control.

<u>Theory and Methods: 30 marks</u> Extended writing.



What is sociology?

Sociology is the study of society and social behaviour. It explores how people are influenced by institutions, culture, and social groups. If you're interested in topics like crime, education, the media, and how society changes, sociology will give you the tools to understand the world around you.

Why study sociology?

- Explore real-world issues like inequality, crime, and media influence.
- Develop strong analytical, critical thinking, and communication skills.
- Great foundation for university courses and careers in law, education, media, criminology, politics, and more.

Skills you'll gain:

- Critical thinking and analysis
- Argument construction
- Research and data interpretation
- Essay writing and evaluation

The Sociology Team

When asked, "What's your favourite thing about sociology?" this is how our teachers answered...

- Rob Syposz (Sociology teacher): "Seeing how society is changing into a postmodern, fragmented, global mess!"
- Amy Noakes (Social Science teacher): "Social policy! Social policy is crucial because it directly affects individuals and communities by shaping the laws, regulations, and programs that govern society".
- David Abbott (Social Science teacher): "It is subversive. It's changes our understanding of the world and makes us think".