	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Content Descriptive/ propositional knowledge 'knowing that'	US Constitution and Supreme Court  To know and understand the US Constitution To know and understand the US Bill of Rights To know and understand Federalism in US To know and understand Protection of civil liberties and rights under the US Constitution. To know and understand Nature & extent of judicial power and role of the SC T know and understand Significance of Judicial Review and Judicial Philosophy To know and Understanding debates surrounding 2 landmark rulings and related debates	US Congress and Presidency To know/ understand the role of the US president and Vice President. To know and understand Imperial v imperilled president To know and understand what the Constraints on Presidential Power To know and understand Relationship between the President and Executive branch To know and understand Function, Powers and effectiveness of Congress To know and understand how Congress works. To know and understand Representation in Congress	US Electoral systems and Political Parties  To know and understand the electoral college and debates concerning its workings, outcomes and impact on campaigns  To know and understand Main characteristics of presidential and congressional elections and campaigns  To know and understand debates about campaign finance  To now and understand Direct Democracy (State level) and Voting behaviour  To know and understand Ideologies, policies, factions & Organisation of main US parities  To know and undertand third parites/candidates in US and their impact	Us Pressure groups and Civil Rights To know/ understand how pressure groups enhance or undermine democracy. To now and understand Lobbying, revolving door, Iron Triangles, clientelism (Rob Singh's definition) To know and understand what is pluralist theory of pressure groups and the elite theorists? Protection of Civil Liberties and Rights in US	REVISION  To know and understand UK Politics - paper 1  To know and understand Political Ideas - paper 3	Study Leave /Revision. Students use the AQA Politics Google drive.
Skills Ability knowledge 'knowing how	Synoptic works- showing awareness of completing viewpoints or perspectives.  Analysis is balanced and confidently developed.  Evaluation leads to well substantiated conclusions  Detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant political concepts, institutions and processes.  Relevant perspectives are successfully evaluated in the process of constructing arguments	Synoptic works- showing awareness of completing viewpoints or perspectives.  Analysis is balanced and confidently developed.  Evaluation leads to well substantiated conclusions  Detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant political concepts, institutions and processes.  Relevant perspectives are successfully evaluated in the process of constructing arguments	Synoptic works- showing awareness of completing viewpoints or perspectives.  Analysis is balanced and confidently developed.  Evaluation leads to well substantiated conclusions  Detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant political concepts, institutions and processes.  Relevant perspectives are successfully evaluated in the process of constructing arguments.	Synoptic works- showing awareness of completing viewpoints or perspectives.  Analysis is balanced and confidently developed.  Evaluation leads to well substantiated conclusions  Detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant political concepts, institutions and processes.  Relevant perspectives are successfully evaluated in the process of constructing arguments	Synoptic works- showing awareness of completing viewpoints or perspectives.  Analysis is balanced and confidently developed.  Evaluation leads to well substantiated conclusions  Detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant political concepts, institutions and processes.  Relevant perspectives are successfully evaluated in the process of constructing arguments	Synoptic works- showing awareness of completing viewpoints or perspectives.  Analysis is balanced and confidently developed.  Evaluation leads to well substantiated conclusions  Detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant political concepts, institutions and processes.  Relevant perspectives are successfully evaluated in the process of constructing arguments

Key Questions	-What is framework of government laid down in the US Constitution? What are separations of power? Why is it so important? What are checks and balances? Why are they so important? What are the examples of Bill of rights in action? What are 3 types of Federalism, (Dual federalism, Cooperative federalism) Remember the cakes. significance of the judiciary in shaping one area of public policy in terms of, for example, federalism, civil rights, race, gender, punishment. What are the power of JR and how it can check executive power	What are the main constitutional powers of the Presidency? Sources of Power What is Relationship between the President and Executive branch With examples - why can some presidents be powerful and others not? How does oversight wok in Congress? Is it effective? What is relationship between Congress and Executive branch? (Checks and balances)? What is relationship between Congress and Supreme Court?(Checks and balances)? How does the legislative process in Congress work? How do they make laws?	What is Electoral systems used in the USA? How does it work  What are Factors determining electoral outcomes  How does Candidate selection and nomination  Why do two parties dominate and what is the role of third parties?  Are parties in a position of strength or weakness: Decline or Renewal?  What do the two main parties believe in? What are their values?	How can we define pressure groups and social movements? What are access points? (think tanks; lobbyists; corporations; media) How do pressure groups contribute to a pluralist democracy? What is political pluralism? How does it work in the USA? What are Political Action Committees and Super PAC's (Examples) What is the impact of important political issues concerning civil rights and liberties on US politics		
Assessment Every assessment in- cludes exam style ques- tions - exactly the same structure as they would see on their final paper	2 x 9 marker and 2x Essay questions - See exam fold- er.	2 x 9 marker and 2x Essay questions - See exam folder.	2 x 9 marker and 2x Essay questions - See exam folder.	2 x 9 marker and 2x Essay (One with extract) questions - See exam folder.	2 x 9 marker and 2x Essay with extract questions – See exam folder.	2 x 9 marker and 2x Essay with extract questions – See exam folder.
Literacy/ Numeracy/ SMSC/ Character	Development in communication/literacy skills, tolerance, cultural appreciation	Development in communication/litera- cy skills, tolerance, cultural apprecia- tion	Development in commu- nication/ literacy skills, tolerance, cultural ap- preciation	Development in communication/ literacy skills, tolerance, cultural appreciation	Development in communication/literacy skills, tolerance, cultural appreciation	Development in resilience, perseverance and aspiration