

Citizenship at TBSHS

The intent of Citizenship is to nurture and encourage students to be good, thoughtful, respectful, engaged and respectful citizens.

This occurs through the development of knowledge, understanding and evaluation of social, moral, spiritual and cultural topics and issues with a particular focus in lessons on national and international days, current events and the school values through engaging resources. This also occurs through various enrichment opportunities from visits and guest speakers to charity and community events, as well as through the daily message sent to all students and staff and posted on our website.

The Citizenship curriculum is holistic, dynamic, fluid and flexible to ensure it engages students. Current events and resources are utilized to explore social, moral, spiritual and cultural issues.

Sixth Form

Guest speakers are of a high profile, engaging, balanced, interactive and regular visitors to the school. We have hosted a number of guest speakers this term, for example, as part of the school's Citizenship tradition in the sixth form. Guest speakers address the whole sixth form. Our visitors have been: Kate and Dan from Essex and Herts Air Ambulance, Jane Towns from Bishop's Stortford Food Bank, David Royle and Chris Dunham from Bishop's Stortford Climate Group, former NFL player and now broadcaster Jason Bell, former Arsenal Vice Chairperson David Dein MBE, author and broadcaster Iain Dale, author, broadcaster and campaigner Natasha Devon MBE, human rights campaigner Peter Tatchell and former student and current internationally-respected author Jem Calder. Cricketing and broadcasting legend Michael Holding gave a lunchtime seminar open to all years live from the Caribbean.

Year 9, 10 and 11 Citizenship

A large team of dedicated staff is supported with high quality, topical and engaging material with a range of suggested outcomes. Staff have an opportunity to develop materials and lead on units. Enrichment visits and activities are offered. There are connections to school values, awareness days, current affairs, charity events and timeless topics.

	Half Term 1	Half Term 2
Term 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Real Mo Farah • The life and legacy of Queen Elizabeth II • School Values • World Mental Health Day – social media and on-line safety • Black History Month • COP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Poppy Appeal • Local Democracy and Parliament week • Year 10 Parliament Visit 1 – political and legal awareness • Ethics of the Men's Football World Cup 2022 - human rights and social justice • Ukraine Awareness (ongoing)
Term 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Religion Day • Martin Luther King Day • Holocaust Memorial Day • Safer Internet Day • LGBT+ History Month 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 10 Parliament Visit 2 – political and legal awareness • International Women's Day and Sexism • Poverty, human rights and social justice • Non-uniform day (international charity)
Term 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The political process – local / national elections • The Law 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environment • Pride Month • Nelson Mandela Day

Key Stage 3 Citizenship

As part of the legal requirement, the Citizenship curriculum also trickles down to the Year 7 and 8 Religious Studies curriculum with units on prejudice and discrimination, human rights, poverty, social justice, relationships, politics, the environment and the law.