

Key Stage 5

Subject: Law

Intent

The Law Curriculum at the Frances Bardsley Academy follows the OCR specification and focuses on key stage 5 only. The curriculum design is underpinned by the OCR A Level Law specification which allows students to develop a comprehensive understanding of the role of law in today's society and looking at the rights, responsibilities and remedies of individuals. This specification will develop learners' understanding and knowledge of the legal method and reasoning. Students will develop an understanding of the English Legal System and substantive law: criminal law (paper 1), tort law (paper 2) and contract law (paper 3). This will allow the students to develop and apply the techniques of legal method and reasoning to analyse and offer answers to legal problems, based on legal rules and principles and develop the ability to construct and communicate legal arguments by using appropriate authority. Students will be able to analyse a scenario based question and identify the key facts from which legal issues arise. Students will be able to formulate a legal argument, analysing a scenario and identify the key facts from which legal issues arise. Law is a subject that provides social, moral, spiritual and cultural learning with discussions of current and emotive topics such as abortion, euthanasia, domestic violence and race and hate crimes.

As well as studying the curriculum, the department also participates in enrichment programmes such as Bar Mock Trials, where students take part in a mock trial competition against other schools in the borough. This not only helps the students with their studies, but also gives them the ability to develop their verbal communication skills, research and working in a team.

Studying A Level Law will allow you to study an exciting new subject which will give you a sound basis for studying Law at university. This will help you to develop the necessary skills for a legal career, further study or any intellectual discipline you are studying.

Programme of study and assessment

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 12	<u>INTRODUCTION TO THE LEGAL SYSTEM:</u> <u>Paper 1:</u> Criminal courts & Lay people Legal personnel Access to justice Civil courts and other forms of dispute resolution	<u>LAW MAKING</u> <u>Paper 2</u> Parliamentary law making Delegated legislation Statutory interpretation Judicial precedent Law reform European union law <u>TORT LAW</u>	<u>TORT LAW</u> Liability in negligence Revision on paper 1 and law making

	<u>CRIMINAL LAW</u> General elements of criminal liability Fatal offences against the person Non-fatal offences against the person Offences against property Mental capacity defences General defences Preliminary offences Evaluation	Rules and theory	
Assessment	Closed book tests on 10 and 15 markers after each topic: Juries and magistrates Alternative Dispute Resolution Civil Courts and criminal courts Legal profession Closed book tests on each topic in timed 25 minute conditions Non-fatal offences with defences (25 minutes) Fatal offences with defences (25 minutes) Property offences with defences (25 minutes)	Closed book tests on 10 and 15 markers after each topic: Delegated legislation Statutory interpretation Judicial precedent The legislative process	Mock examination on paper 1 (2 hours) held in May Juries and magistrates Alternative Dispute Resolution Civil Courts and criminal courts Legal profession Non-fatal offences with defences Fatal offences with defences Property offences with defences
Year 13	<u>LAW OF TORT CONT...</u> Occupiers liability Torts connected to land Vicarious liability	<u>LAW OF CONTRACT CONT..</u> Discharge Remedies Evaluation	<u>REVISION ON PAPERS 1,2 & 3</u> Closed book in timed conditions 25 marks to be held in April Criminal liability and the legal system

	<p>Defences</p> <p>Remedies</p> <p>Evaluation</p> <p><u>CONTRACT LAW</u></p> <p>Paper 3</p> <p>Rules and theory</p> <p>Formation</p> <p>Terms</p> <p>Vitiating factors</p>	<p>Introduction to the nature of law</p> <p>Law and morality</p> <p>Law and justice</p> <p>Law and society</p> <p>Law and technology</p>	<p>Tort law and sources of law</p> <p>Contract law and further law including law and morals, law and technology, law and justice, law and society and the nature of law</p>
<p>Assessment</p>	<p>Closed book tests on 10 and 15 markers</p> <p>Judicial precedent</p> <p>Delegated legislation</p> <p>Statutory interpretation</p> <p>The legislative process</p> <p>Closed book tests on each topic in timed 25 minutes</p> <p>Negligence with defences</p> <p>Occupiers Liability with defences</p> <p>Vicarious Liability with defences</p> <p>Rylands v Fletcher with defences</p> <p>Nuisance with defences</p>	<p>Mock examination on paper 2 (2 hours)</p> <p>Judicial precedent</p> <p>Delegated legislation</p> <p>Statutory interpretation</p> <p>The legislative process</p> <p>Negligence with defences</p> <p>Occupiers Liability with defences</p> <p>Vicarious Liability with defences</p> <p>Rylands v Fletcher with defences</p> <p>Nuisance with defences</p>	<p>Closed book in timed conditions 25 marks to be held in May</p> <p>Criminal liability and the legal system (2 hours)</p> <p>Tort law and sources of law (2 hours)</p> <p>Contract law and further law including law and morals, law and technology, law and justice, law and society and the nature of law (2 hours)</p>