

## **Our vision**

The vision of studying sociology at King Egbert School is to enable students to acquire the knowledge and skills to analyse society in the United Kingdom in the 21st century. Students will also gain an understanding of the theories and concepts that form a key part of the current debate about contemporary society and the critical changes taking place.

## **What is Sociology?**

Sociology is the scientific study of human society through the investigation of social behaviour: individuals, groups and cultures. By studying these relationships and behaviours we can better understand the world in which we live, and develop solutions to the problems that exist therein.

The questions that we address in Sociology at King Egbert School include:

- What is the role of the media in influencing our perception of society?
- Is social class still relevant? Is your class obvious? How does it effect your opportunities?
- How has globalisation affected our national identity?
- Do we develop our own cultural identity or has it been imposed on us?
- What makes people commit crime?
- Why do girls do better at school?
- Racism/ageism/sexism - how does it affect society?
- How should we deal with criminals?
- How can we create safe communities?

- Are western countries restricting the development of countries in Africa?
- How may your digital footprint affect you in the future?
- Is anything that we do secret anymore?

## **Our curriculum**

We currently follow the AQA specification.

## **Why Sociology?**

Sociology prepares students for a variety of courses at higher education and is useful in many different careers. Many undergraduate degree courses have a sociology element and any work involving people will have sociological relevance. The vision of the sociology course is then to prepare students for the wider world to be interested, reflective and appreciative of our diverse society.

The skills and knowledge developed in sociology are useful for a variety of careers including:

- Law
- Journalism
- Social Work
- Media
- Advertising and Marketing
- Human Resources
- Youth Services
- Politics
- Social Policy Planning
- Criminology
- Teaching

- Academic Research
- Police