**A level Politics: Transition work– Year 11**

**Task 1: Stay engaged with the news: (2 hours in total – 30 mins each week- AT LEAST)**

* How do I do this? Listen to Newscast once a week ( on Spotify) or read the BBC news app/ read a broadsheet newspaper and complete one page of your news diary once a week. You should have 4 complete news diaries. You are welcome to listen to the news more than this!
* Looking to find out more about the Politics course – Listen to some of the podcasts on the “A level Politics show” to get a feel for some of the content we will cover.

**Task 2: Political reading**

You will have to get used to wider reading within A level politics. Read the hand out ***British Prime Ministers – Power & Success.***

Answer the following questions:

1. What are the main tenants needed to be a successful Prime Minister?
2. How successful do you think Boris Johnson has been as a Prime Minister? Use the indicators that the article suggests to help explain your answer.
3. Who do you think has been the most successful prime minister and why?

**Task 3: Prepare for next academic year – we want you engaged in current affairs and political action and we want to know what you are passionate about?**

Find a key current affairs issue that has happened in the last year and write a one page reflection about this topic. Maybe this has been sparked by watching a documentary about a topic such as the UK Justice system, or perhaps a particular movement (BLM/ Movement against sexual harassment) has affected you that you would like to find out more about. Maybe you want to explore more about how the Government has handled the COVID crisis.

It needs to be something that relates to the general public and ideally relates to Politics. You should write at least one paragraph for each of the following points:

* Explain key knowledge about this issue – facts, figures, information you have found out and where you found that information.
* Explain why it is an important issue to you, how does it impact on your life.
* Explain how the issue links to wider political issues/ current affairs.

 **Your to do list:**

1. X4 news diaries over the course of the Summer
2. Political reading and answer the three questions above.
3. 1 page summary on an issue you are passionate about using the structure above.