



## **Curriculum Intent for Sociology at St Joseph's College**

Sociology can be considered as a systematic study of society.

In times that we might regard as socially turbulent, our informed stance as Sociology students at SJC is more important than ever. Our consideration of issues surrounding sexuality, ethnicity, gender and social class are centrally important when we think about the diverse and dynamic components of society. These are considered in the context of families & households, education, media and crime.

Our studies are intended to assist students in being non-judgemental and critically aware. We are sensitive to the needs of marginalised groups and consider the impacts of inequality.

In addition students critically interrogate research and theories/narratives, notably we may look at its political grounding (e.g. Marxism) and the motives behind it.

Sociology provides a firm reference point from which to become a global citizen. This citizenship is then founded on understanding tolerance, compassion and reason. The students's views are based on informed choices.