



VOTESFOR SCHOOLS

9 Key Themes



Be informed.



Be curious.



Be heard.

1 Health & wellbeing



Mental wellbeing

Mental health disorders, stress, work-life balance, sports, exercise, mindfulness, happiness, emotional health, self-esteem, body image, eating disorders, self-harm, abuse, suicide

Health & medicine

NHS, obesity, diet, vaccines, antibiotics, HIV/aids, sanitation, periods, medicine, cancer, organ donation, sexual health, smoking, drugs, gambling, addiction

Healthy relationships

Keeping yourself safe, sexualisation, consent, sexual harassment, positive relationships, malnutrition, child marriage, domestic violence, online safety, pornography, exploitation, FGM, sexual health

2 Equalities & identity



Protected characteristics

Gender, race, age, sex, sexuality, religion, disability/learning difficulties, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy & maternity

Attitudes & isms

Sexism, gender equality, feminism, racism, islamophobia, anti-Semitism, prejudice, stereotyping, discrimination, stigma, bullying, banter, toxic masculinity, "lad" culture, harassment, hate crime

Societal issues

Human rights, integration, immigration/emigration, passports, citizenship, tolerance, power, vulnerability



Global warming

Climate change, pollution, natural resources, energy, recycling, factory farming, sustainability, travel, air quality, transportation

Weather & climate

Natural disasters (cause & prevention), extreme weather events, migration, environmental refugees

Nature & ecosystems

Wildlife, animal welfare, conservation, extinction, plastic, waste disposal, consumerism, housing, urbanisation, development, national parks, water, oceans, forests, parks, space

4 Global issues & politics



UK issues

Brexit, free school meals, Coronavirus response, cronyism, inequalities, UK political parties, general elections, local elections, censuses, surveys, polls

Global issues

War & peace, refugees, poverty, population, food & water scarcity, corruption, conflict, access to education, health epidemics, transparency, interdependence, populism, inequality, globalisation, military, nuclear weapons, biosecurity, famine, power, humanitarian crises, trafficking

Politicians & systems

Political leaders, movements, democracy, democratisation, dictators, types of political system, national identity, freedom of speech, international security



Discoveries & research

New scientific research, GM crops, lab-grown meat, stem cell research, controversial scientific innovations, infrastructure, ethics

Personal devices & tech

Personal devices (e.g. mobile phones & tablets), life online, social media, data security, surveillance, algorithms, Virtual Reality, privacy, cybersecurity

The future of tech

New technological advances (e.g. drones & robots), artificial intelligence, the changing of the news, automation of cars and jobs, space exploration & travel

6 Community & charity



Citizenship

Integration, immigration, multiculturalism, services, society, shared values, respecting differences, housing, family life, inequalities between parts of the UK, lifestyles, foreign aid, international solidarity

Charity & altruism

Local charities, fundraising, food banks, supporting the elderly, homelessness, neighbours & communities across borders (e.g. the EU)

Community action

Petitioning, campaigning, land reform, loneliness, free school meals, the NHS, volunteering, youth groups



Societal issues

Access to health & social care, anti-social behaviour, money laundering, minority issues, gangs, knives & weapons, violence, grooming, child trafficking, genocide, modern slavery

Authorities & the law

Crime, privacy, surveillance, police, criminal justice system, prisons system, role of Parliament and House of Lords in making laws, secret service, death penalty

Attitudes & extremism

Political divisions, polarisation, freedom of speech, no-platforming, conspiracy theories, radicalisation, extremism, terrorism, crimes against humanity

8 Jobs, economy & education



Careers & employment

Teamwork, entrepreneurship, business, work-life balance, transnational corporations, international trade, fair trade, job markets, future of jobs

Finances & economy

Financial literacy, budgeting, investment, tax, credit cards, borrowing/debt, role of banks, Government spending, financial crises

Continuing education

Ambition, goals, school, learning, exams, education system, tests, apprenticeships, qualifications, university, unemployment



Culture & heritage

Language, sport, food & drink, museums, libraries, galleries, parks, tourism, philosophy, remembering people who shaped the UK

Media & entertainment

News & TV consumption, fake news, analysing the news, advertising, brands, celebrities, cancel culture, film, music, books, art, podcasts, social media

British “institutions”

British customs & traditions, “Britishness”, the Royal Family, UK political parties, Church & State