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## **MP gives insight into General Election**

Jenny Chapman, MP for Darlington, visited Carmel College to speak to 30 sixth form students about the work and life of an MP- particularly in the lead up to the General Election.

The visit took the form of a question and answer session lead by the students in preparation for a mock election being held in College later this term. The students listened with interest as Mrs Chapman answered questions about the planning and funding of an election campaign. When asked, "how she felt and what she did on polling day?" Mrs Chapman described the timetable of a candidate's day and explained the mixture of nerves and excitement felt. Other topics covered were tips for the students on writing and delivering speeches and engaging with voters. In addition Mrs Chapman also expressed her interest in local politics and her enjoyment of representing the local community.

The session was extremely rewarding, and provided the students with a valuable insight to life as a political party candidate and they were very grateful for her time.

### **Notes to Editors**

Pictured below are Sixth Form mock election candidates with MP Jenny Chapman  
L-R - Sam Liburd, Kimberley Horn, Jenny Chapman MP and Connor McGee

