

English

KEY STAGE 3 ENGLISH (YEAR 7)

The English curriculum in Year 7 includes a wide range of activities which may be undertaken individually, in small groups or as a whole class.

Reading, writing, speaking and listening are considered equally important.

The English curriculum covers the following areas:

- the use and development of written and spoken language;
- individual and shared reading to critique how authors convey meaning in contemporary and pre-1900 texts, poetry and drama;
- the use and influence of the media;
- oral work, including prepared talks, discussion and performance;
- writing fiction and non-fiction texts with a focus on using sophisticated vocabulary together with accurate spelling and punctuation pertinent to the audience and purpose;
- the study of how social and historical context affects meaning;
- the study of Shakespeare.

It is expected that all students will complete wider reading at home in order to enhance their learning. In order to facilitate this, a reading challenge will be set for students to complete. Personalised homework projects will be set termly.

KEY STAGE 3 ENGLISH (YEAR 8)

The English curriculum in Year 8 includes a wide range of activities which may be undertaken individually, in small groups or as a whole class.

Reading, writing, speaking and listening are considered equally important.

The English curriculum covers the following areas:

- the use and development of written and spoken language;

- individual and shared reading to critique how authors convey meaning in contemporary and pre-1900 texts, poetry and drama;
- the use and influence of the media;
- oral work, including prepared talks, discussion and performance;
- writing fiction and non-fiction texts with a focus on using sophisticated vocabulary together with accurate spelling and punctuation pertinent to the audience and purpose;
- the study of how social and historical context affects meaning;
- the study of Shakespeare.

It is expected that all students will complete wider reading at home in order to enhance their learning. In order to facilitate this, a reading challenge will be set for students to complete. Personalised homework projects will be set termly.

KEY STAGE 4 ENGLISH (YEAR 9)

Year 9 is part of Key Stage 4. All students will follow both English Literature and English Language specifications. Exams will be sat at the end of Year 11 in June 2018.

The requirements for the new AQA English Literature and Language curriculum consists of:

- the study of 19th century fiction, non-fiction and poetry;
- the study of contemporary fiction, drama and poetry;
- the study of a Shakespeare play;
- writing a description and a narrative;
- writing to persuade and argue a viewpoint;
- reading critically to analyse an author's viewpoint and attitudes;
- an oral presentation with responses to questions.

KEY STAGE 4 ENGLISH (YEAR 10 & 11)

All students will follow both English Literature and English Language specifications. Exams will be sat at the end of Year 11 in June 2017.

The requirements for the new AQA English Literature and Language curriculum consists of:

- the study of 19th century fiction ('The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde'), non-fiction and poetry;
- the study of contemporary fiction, drama ('An Inspector Calls') and poetry;
- the study of a whole Shakespeare play – 'Macbeth';
- writing a description and a narrative;
- writing to persuade and argue a viewpoint;
- reading critically to analyse an author's viewpoint and attitudes;
- an oral presentation with responses to questions.

KEY STAGE 4 ENGLISH

All students will follow both English Literature and English Language specifications. Exams will be sat at

the end of Year 11 in June.