



Curriculum Overview 2024-25: English

| Year Group | Autumn Term | Spring Term | Summer Term | Useful information / websites | |
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| Year 7 | Literature = 21 st Century 'class reader' exploring topics of Covid 19 pandemic/ Count Lines/ Bereavement. Developing our emerging language analysis through reading novel and understanding how to write in an academic, structured format - AO1, AO2 Language = (Transition Unit) Exploring, deconstructing then crafting pieces of creative writing under the scenario of being lost on a deserted island - AO5, AO6 | Literature = Analysing poetry by two modern Birmingham poets and nurturing our understanding of local history whilst developing understanding of crafting holistic responses – AO1, AO2 Language = Exploring and deconstructing famous speeches by analysing the non-fiction writing techniques used and then using to help craft speeches of own – AO5, AO6 | Literature = Exploring Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice using key extracts to consolidate our understanding of plot and character - AO1, AO2 Language = Reading extracts of famous fictional characters from 20 th Century literature and using to help develop own creative pieces – AO5, AO6 | KS3 -Shmoop -No Fear Shakespeare -Seneca -BBC Bitesize KS4 -AQA -Spark Notes -GCSE Pod -Lit charts -Cliff Notes -Mr Bruff -York Notes -No Sweat | |
| Year 8 | Literature = Reading the play Blood Brothers and not only exploring language but also context, writer's intentions, and key themes - AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4 Literature = Reading Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet and applying context to our understanding of plot, character, and language analysis - AO1, AO2, AO3 | Literature = Reading a famous Sherlock Holmes short story and engaging with key characters and themes - AO1, AO2, AO3 Literature = Exploring First World War poetry and developing ability to integrate writer's intentions into analysis of language – AO1, AO2, AO3 | Language = Exploring famous myths and legends and using the descriptive writing and imagery to support crafting own piece of writing – AO5, AO6 Language = Reading a variety of 19th Century Gothic Short Stories and exploring the language and structure used to help write own gothic pieces – AO1, AO2, AO4, AO5, AO6 | | |
| Year 9 | | | | | |
| | Literature = Immersing selves in the Victorian novella 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens to ensure all have a solid grasp of plot, character, context and developing academic writing - AO1, AO2, AO3 Language = Reading 'Of Mice and Men' and building on | Language = Exploring famous fictional 'villains' and using techniques to support creating own character, showcasing emerging creative writing skills - writing skills AO5, AO6 Literature = Reading and analysing a variety of 'romance poems' and introducing ability to compare within our | Literature = Reading and exploring Shakespeare's Macbeth to focus on character, plot, context and then our ability to craft academic writing to exam style responses - AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4 Language = transactional writing unit which explores a | - Shakespeare's Globe - RSC <u>KS5</u> -Pearson -Interpreture | |
| | ability to interpret language and structure for effect - AO1, AO2, AO4 | academic writing - AO1, AO2 | variety of different non-fiction writing styles - AO5, AO6 | -Poem analysis - The British | |
| Year | Exam specification: Literature = AQA, Language = AQA | | | | |
| 10 | Literature = Reading and exploring J B Priestley's 'An Inspector Calls' with a focus on plot, character, themes, context, and writer's intentions to then solidify our ability to craft academic writing - AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4 | Literature = Dissecting a close analysis of Shakespeare's Macbeth taught thematically which develops and builds on foundation in Year 9 - close language/structure, themes, key nuanced extract analysis to enable accurate and structured | Literature = Reading and analysing our complete GCSE 'Conflict Poetry Anthology' then solidifying our ability to compose comparisons - AO1, AO2, AO3 | -Massolit | |

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| | Literature = Dissecting a close analysis of Dickens' 'A Christmas Carol' taught thematically – developing and building on foundation in Year 9 - close language/structure, themes, key nuance extract analysis to enable accurate and structured academic writing – AO1, AO2, AO3 | academic writing – AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4 Language = Exploring famous fictional and non-fiction pieces taken from 19 th Century with a view to explore writer's craft and writer's perspective | | | |
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| 11 | Literature = Key focus and revision on the 3 GCSE set texts to start the year – AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4 | Lang and Lit – Begin to cover various Assessment Objectives across Literature and Language through thematic links | Lang and Lit - Focused revision in key areas of class weakness, directed by classroom teacher | | |
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