

Key Stage 3 English Curriculum

Our Aims:

The English Department is committed to aid the development of students' academic, cultural, moral and spiritual needs. We aim to provide the development of speaking and listening, reading and writing skills in innovative and engaging ways.

Teaching staff:

The English department consists of twelve dedicated and well-qualified English specialists, each of whom possesses excellent subject knowledge.

Our department works collaboratively to share best practice, fostering creativity and ensuring a safe learning environment for students. Many members of the department form part of the whole-school Teaching and Learning group and are keen to employ a wide range of innovative and engaging teaching strategies.

Year 7

Module Content

- Module 1 *Private Peaceful* by Michael Morpurgo
Writing to argue/persuade

- Module 2 *The Jungle Book* by Rudyard Kipling
Writing to describe/ narrate

- Module 3 *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare
Speaking and Listening group discussions and drama projects

- Module 4 Gothic stories

Year 8

Module Content

- Module 1 *Oliver Twist* by Charles Dickens
Speaking and Listening group discussions and individual presentations

- Module 2 *Henry V* by William Shakespeare
Writing to argue/ persuade

- Module 3 *Uncle Montague's Tales of Terror* by Chris Priestley
Writing to describe/ narrate

- Module 4 Love and relationships poetry

Year 9

Module Content

- Module 1 *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck or *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee

Writing to argue/ persuade

Module 2 Conflict Poetry

Writing to describe/ narrate

Module 3 Dramatic tragedy: *Blood Brothers* by Willy Russell

Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare (Speaking and Listening)

Module 4 Comparative analysis: *Macbeth* by William Shakespeare and *The Picture of Dorian Gray* by Oscar Wilde