

KEY STAGE 3 ENGLISH

The overarching aim for English is to promote high standards of language and literacy by equipping pupils with a strong command of spoken and written word, and to develop their love literature through widespread reading for pleasure.

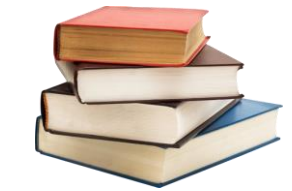
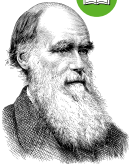
YEAR 7

Before Year 7, students study a range of texts and complete a range of writing tasks in KS2. These texts are to both prepare students with the skills to be successful in KS2 SATs, and to also equip students with the necessary skills to be successful in KS3.

Baseline Unit
The Highway Man
Reading and Writing

The Highway Man is a Pre-19th Century text and is used to assess students on their reading and writing skills. Every skill that they have been taught in KS2 will be used, alongside new skills required for KS3 study.

Reading: Oliver Twist
Writing: Writing to Explain



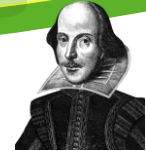
Reading: Poetry
Writing: Alter Egos

YEAR 8



Reading: Sherlock Holmes
Writing: Crime and Detective Fiction

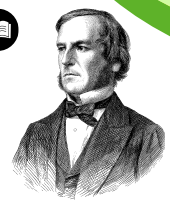
Reading: A Midsummer Night's Dream
Writing: Natural World



Reading: The Tempest
Writing: Spy Fiction



Reading: Animal Farm
Writing: Dystopian Fiction



Transition Baseline Tests for Key Stage 4



Our students leave us to go on to study for their GCSE's. All of the skills that have been taught in Years 7 and 8 can be transferred across to their future studies. All teachers in KS3 English are Secondary trained; therefore, staff have a sound knowledge of the transition between Year 8 to Year 9. Everything that has been taught to students (challenging texts, writing and reading skills and speaking listening) can be successfully applied to the GCSE curriculum.



KEY CONCEPTS:

- STRUCTURE AND COHERENCE
- SPELLING, PUNCTUATION & GRAMMAR
- AWARENESS OF IMPACT
- UNDERSTANDING CONTEXT
- USING EVIDENCE
- ANALYSING TECHNIQUE
- ORACY
- VOCABULARY
- COMMUNICATION
- LANGUAGE
- TECHNIQUE
- EFFECT

Beacon Values:

- Resilient
- Respectful
- Resourceful
- Always Participates
- Reflective Learner
- Responsible
- Collaborates