

Teacher of English

We are seeking to appoint a teacher of English who is passionate and enthusiastic and has the highest expectations for all students. The ability to be able to teach English to GCSE is essential and to A-level is desirable. English is a successful curriculum area and we offer three subjects at A Level: Literature, Language and Media. We are based in a brand new block where each classroom has interactive whiteboards and visualisers.

The English department provides students with exciting, challenging and interesting approaches to analysing and producing texts, delivered by dedicated staff. Students will have their confidence encouraged and their complacency challenged in order to maximise potential. We believe in building resilience, independence but also creativity in both responding to and producing a text.

The English Curriculum

Key Stage 4

Students study the AQA English Language and English Literature specifications. In Year 9, we continue to develop their skills through the teaching of the following texts: "Of Mice and Men", "Romeo and Juliet" and "Power and Conflict Poetry", (the latter they will be examined on in Year 11 end examinations.)

Over the two years in Year 10 and 11, students will study not only their set texts, ("Macbeth", "DNA" and "A Christmas Carol")

Key Stage 3

Years 7 and 8 follow a mastery curriculum based on the premise of embedding core skills to develop a solid base for KS4 learning. They study a range of texts encompassing poetry, prose and plays that clearly link to GCSE examination skills/questions. For example, Year 7 study a range of modules such as: Introduction to Academic Writing, Dystopian Writing, "A Boy in Striped Pyjamas". Year 8 modules include: Gothic Fiction, "The Tempest" and "War Horse amongst others. Students will be assessed using GCSE style questions from Paper 1 and Paper 2.

Sixth Form

We offer the following popular subjects: English Literature – Edexcel English Language – Edexcel Media - OCR

The English Department – Our Vision:

Our Vision for students:

"WE want YOU to enjoy, grow personally and academically in English. Explore language and literature through our shared cultures and the wider world we all live in. Our teaching, and your learning, needs to be inspiring, accessible and varied. We aspire to make every lesson, for every student, creative, engaging and challenging so you can enjoy your own personal growth and development through:

- stimulation,
- enhanced knowledge and awareness
- and, ultimately, increased self-esteem

In short: a lifelong love of language and literature!"