

English Faculty

General

The Team comprises nineteen experienced specialist staff. Years 7 and 8 are taught on our lower school sites at Church Street – seven forms on entry- and at an additional lower school site, Rock Road - six forms on entry. Both KS3 and KS4 are currently taught in mixed ability groups. Year 11 pupils are currently entered with OCR for GCSE English Language and GCSE English Literature.

English-based subjects are popular in the sixth form with Language, Literature, Film and Media on offer at A level. A GCSE re-sit group runs each year in the sixth form.

We are keen to extend our current extra-curricular activity range, which includes theatre visits, a Poetry Live trip, incoming theatre groups and authors, combined with library events for World Book Day and Book Award shadowing programmes.

Results

Our results in 2017 were 80% 4+ in GCSE English Language; 81% 4+ GCSE English Literature. At A2, A*-C results were English Language 76%; English Literature 83%; Film Studies 94%; Media Studies 78%.

Facilities

Dedicated rooms with IWBs are available on each site, with additional computing facilities.

Most staff are based on one site though some travelling takes place as need requires.

The Church Street Lower School Library is a charming old building that has been sensitively modernised. The Rock Road Lower School Library has been fitted and stylishly refurbished this year. The Upper School Library has had substantial stock expansion recently as well as a stylish new refurbishment. English has its own ICT suite, and other ICT suites are available at both sites.

The Team

The English team at Steyning Grammar is a broad church, which has spent a great deal of time pooling and developing teaching approaches and resources. We are committed to inspiring our students to achieve and are always striving to find new, dynamic and diverse ways to capture their imagination. As a team, we are very welcoming and supportive of new colleagues.