Subject: English

Year	Exam Board Specification & Methods of Assessment	Brief Description of Content.	Setting
7	3 Assessments: 1 English Language 2 English Literature	Students cover 6 topics: Identity and the Novel: Students read 'Wonder' by R.J. Palacio or 'The Kaos World Chronicles' by Lucas Wellington and analyse how the theme of identity is presented across the novel. Skills for Writing 'Alter Egos': Writing to describe. Poetry Quests: Students study a range of 19 th , 20 th and 21 st century poetry and explore how issues of morality are presented. Skills for Writing 'Writing the World': Writing to persuade. Shakespeare: 'Macbeth': How is the theme of ambition presented in the play? Skills for Writing 'Spy Fiction': Writing to describe.	Ability setting Based on KS2 results Teacher Assessment CAT tests
8	3 Assessments: 2 English Language 1 English Literature	Students cover 6 topics Skills for Writing 'Alter Egos': Writing to describe. 19th Century Fiction 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens: Students explore the how the theme of altruism is presented in terms of both plot and characterisation. Skills for Writing 'Writing the World': Writing to persuade. Poetry from Different Cultures: Students explore how discrimination and tolerance are presented across a range of 20th and 21st Century poetry. Skills for Writing 'Spy Fiction': Writing to describe. Gothic Fiction: Students study a range of 19th and 20th Century gothic fiction and explore how 'outsiders' are presented.	Ability setting
9,	GCSE 9-1 Edexcel English Language	Across the three years:	Ability setting
10 &	GCSE 9-1 Edexcel English Literature	English Language Students follow the Edexcel 'ActiveLearn Digital' course, using the Pearson GCSE 9-1 English Language Text Anthology.	
11	2 examinations (English Language) 2 examinations (English Literature) All examinations are taken at the end of Year 11	For examination – Skills Reading • Identification, interpretation, selection and synthesis of information (7.5% of total marks);	

- Analysis of language and structure (15% of total marks);
- Comparison of writers' ideas and perspectives (8.75% of total marks);
- Critical evaluation using textual evidence to support (18.75% of total marks).

Writing

- Clear, effective and imaginative communication of ideas (15% of total marks);
- Clear organisation of texts, using structural and grammatical features to make writing clear and cohesive (15% of total marks);
- Accurate and effective use of a range of vocabulary and sentence structures for deliberate effect and accurate use of punctuation and spelling (20% of total marks).

English Literature

Students study the following set texts:

- 19th Century Fiction:
 Frankenstein Mary Shelley OR
 A Christmas Carol Charles Dickens
- 20th Century Fiction: Animal Farm *George Orwell*
- Edexcel Poetry Anthology: Conflict OR Relationships
- Shakespeare: Romeo and Juliet OR Macbeth

For examination – Skills

- Critical analysis (37% of overall mark)
- Analysis of language, structure and form (42% of overall mark)
- Exploration of relationships between texts and their contexts (16% of overall mark)
- Use of a range of vocabulary and sentence structures for clarity, purpose and effect, with accurate spelling and punctuation (5% of overall mark)