



English Department Information

Our Intentions

As a department, we are dedicated to evoking a curiosity within our students and aim to provide them with the necessary skills to explore complex thoughts and ideas in preparation for the learning journey ahead of them. Our English curriculum aims to offer students a wide range of learning experiences focusing on social, moral and cultural issues whilst developing students' competence in spelling, punctuation and grammar. We aim to make students more aware of the connections between literature and the exploration of the human condition so that they develop as inquisitive, independent and creative learners.

The joy of reading is promoted widely at the Bromfords School and we have an excellent literacy program to develop reading comprehension alongside directed time devoted to sharing and reading the books we love.

Our Team

The team consists of: a Head of faculty, Key Stage Coordinators, Lead teachers, an Assistant Headteacher who is responsible for the quality of education throughout the school and dynamic classroom leaders.

We aim to ensure we take a collaborative approach to the development of our curriculum and teaching practices through both the wide variety of CPD offered at whole-school level and within our own department.

Our Curriculum

- In Years 7 and 8, our curriculum allows learners to gain an awareness of the world around them through a series of challenging texts based on a range of diverse themes
- Moving into year 9, we begin to introduce more challenging texts and themes to secure a solid foundation in preparation for their movement into key stage 4. Each unit of work is structured to foster students' independence, resilience and deeper thinking skills in order to promote a love of learning.
- At KS4, students currently study: A Christmas Carol, An Inspector Calls, Macbeth and a collection of poems based on the theme of conflict.
- The department offers a range of enrichment sessions and stimulating homework tasks to support all of our students through the challenges and demands of the GCSE curriculum. All KS4 students will have 5 English lessons per week in addition to targeted intervention where needed.
- At A Level we currently offer the AQA B English Literature course alongside GCSE resit where necessary.

Examination Results

At GCSE, 48% of students achieved a 9-4 pass in both English and Maths; 64% of students gained a 'standard pass' in English and 43% of students achieved a 'strong' pass in English (grade 5 or above).

Attainment 8 in English was 4.25 in comparison to the whole school figure of 3.85 with overall progress in English measured at -0.4.