

ENGLISH

Autumn Topics

- Study of a Shakespeare play which focuses on two key scenes
- A variety of reading focused assessment, based on and around the play

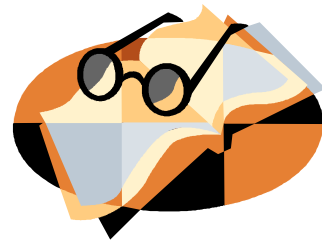


Spring Term Topics

- An individual speaking and listening assessment with a current affairs focus
- An extended novel study which enables pupils to engage fully with the content and context of a novel
- A variety of writing focused assessment, using the novel as a starting point

Summer Term Topics

- Year 9 exam – part of a unit on writing skills for a variety of audiences and purposes
- Critical Thinking unit with a with a speaking and listening drama focus
- The Gothic genre: film and literature unit focussed on comparing texts



Homework Tasks

Homework tasks will extend the learning which has taken place in class or enable pupils to prepare for their next lesson. Tasks include research, reading, speaking and listening practice, focused writing tasks or preparing material for a new topic.

Additional Resources / Ideas / Stimuli:

- A variety of novels e.g. *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time*, *Noughts and Crosses*, *Al Capone does my Shirts*, *Persepolis*
- Shakespeare play – 'The Tempest' or 'Much Ado About Nothing'
- Pre 20th Century novel or short stories e.g. 'Mystery Stories of the Nineteenth Century'.
- English Speaking Board Level 2 is offered to Year 9 pupils in the summer term