



ENGLISH CURRICULUM PROGRESSION PATHWAY:

Why is the study of English important?

Because English is essentially concerned with communication, whether through written or spoken form, it is a subject fundamental to personal intellectual growth and enables us to make sense of the world around us. The ability to use spoken and written language allows us to participate effectively in society and in the workforce. English is the major language of national and international communication and therefore all students need to develop the ability and confidence to speak and write competently. From Year 7 students will be building on the skills, knowledge and understanding developed in their primary schools and in reading they will tackle a wide range of fiction and non-fiction, poems and plays that include works by 19th, 20th and 21st century writers. For example, students will read and study plays by Shakespeare, exploring themes and characters and how the issues in his plays are pertinent to modern society. More modern texts, such as 'When the World was Ours' allow students to consider themes such as friendship and loss of innocence and they invite discussion and reflection on key moral issues. There will be opportunities to explore the craft of the writer and how language is used for effect and influences the reader. Additionally, articulating a personal evaluation of a text that is supported by careful selection of evidence, and considering alternative viewpoints allows students to develop more objective insights to character and situation.

We believe that the curriculum time given to English in our schools allows the development of high standards of language and literacy so that students communicate their ideas, views and emotions with increasing fluency and confidence, whether in writing or speech.

Spoken language underpins the development of students' reading and writing in the early years of secondary school and opportunities are created for discussion and debate, collaborative and individual presentations and speeches, performing play scripts and reading poetry and stories aloud. We promote reading as a way of acquiring knowledge and as a way of exploring the world in ways that develop students culturally, emotionally, socially and intellectually. In particular, we encourage the habit and enjoyment of reading, whether that be to explore situations vicariously through literature – as 6-year-old Scout in 'To Kill a Mockingbird' is told by her father, Atticus Finch: "You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view...until you climb into his skin and walk around in it." – to appreciate and learn about our literary heritage or to gain information from a variety of sources.

Confidence, control and skills in writing are developed through frequent opportunities to write imaginatively and through transactional writing where purpose, audience and format are significant considerations alongside content. Across all writing activities opportunities will be created to enhance and extend students' vocabulary as well as their written accuracy and develop their ability to construct and manipulate sentences for effect. Students will be able to build on the knowledge and skills gained in key stage 2 so that, for example, their understanding of grammar, and ability to employ subject-specific terminology confidently is further developed.

The English curriculum in our schools is rigorous, with appropriate challenge and consolidation to allow students of all abilities to flourish, whilst offering opportunities for increased breadth and depth for more-able students and support and intervention for students who are less fluent. The skills, knowledge and understanding developed through the early years in our schools provide a solid preparation for success in KS4 examination courses (Eduqas) and post-16 A-level courses.

What skills will the study of English teach you?

English will develop skills in written and oral communication and will develop increasingly sophisticated skills as a reader

- To speak confidently and accurately in a range of contexts
- To participate confidently in discussions, presentations, role-play and collaborative group work
- To develop the skills of exploratory, collaborative and tentative talk as a means of developing and shaping understanding
- To write accurately for a range of audiences and purposes – using grammar, vocabulary, spelling and punctuation accurately
- To use language as a means to persuade, clarify, explain, narrate, express emotion
- To develop the skills of planning, drafting and editing in writing
- To acquire and use confidently a wider vocabulary
- To read for enjoyment and information
- To develop cultural awareness and knowledge of literary heritage
- To develop interpretive skills and critical thinking

What will you know and understand from your study of English?

- Know and experience a variety of poetry, prose and drama from the literary canon and wider sources
- Know and understand the conventions involved in reading and writing different texts
- Understand how to manipulate language for effect, for example, to persuade
- Develop an appreciation of how writers are influenced by the world that surrounds them - context.

How does your study of English support your study in other subjects?

English as a subject is essentially concerned with communication, whether in written or spoken form, and developing those communication skills supports all other curricular subjects. For example, the ability to participate in and lead discussions involves listening to others, considering alternative viewpoints and perspectives and using judgement to weigh up arguments. It frequently demands negotiation and team working when presenting ideas and information and the ability to articulate concisely ideas and opinions, show an understanding of texts, base conclusions on research or evidence and so on. Because speaking and listening activities in English are often built around collaborative work, having respect for others' views and contributions develops self-discipline and empathy for others. These are transferable skills that impact on all other subjects. Most subjects involve written work and because work in English is often about honing and improving the quality and accuracy of written work, the skills and knowledge about aspects of language such as spelling and grammar and technical accuracy, have a positive impact on the quality of written work in other curriculum subjects. All students study English Literature and the deep study of texts helps develop skills of analysis, perhaps of themes, language, characters, social change or historical events. At its best, Literature illuminates the human condition and offers the reader opportunities to explore and reflect on situations others have faced. In `The Crucible` by Arthur

Miller, the main character chooses to sacrifice his own life rather than betray his friends and neighbours, so in exploring this character's motivations, students have to explore questions of integrity, compassion, loyalty and responsibility. As a result, English Literature can be seen as a powerful agent for social, moral, cultural and spiritual development.

How can students deepen their understanding of English?

As a subject, English involves a lot of writing, including extended creative and transactional responses and the quality and accuracy of students' writing is only developed by practising this skill.

Much of the written work will be underpinned by reading, so that students are exposed to a variety of fiction and non-fiction reading that provide models for the students' own writing. Some would say that before you can write well, you must read a lot and so reading will underpin most written work in English, whether that is studying literature or non-fiction writing such as extracts from autobiographies or biographies, diaries, reports, articles and multi-modal texts of various kinds from newspapers and magazines, and the internet.

Students will be given lots of opportunities to write, simply because asking them to spend more time articulating their thoughts and ideas and organising them improves their understanding of what they want to say and how to say it in increasingly effective ways. There are activities to engage in beyond the classroom such as book clubs and writing competitions.

How are you assessed in English?

In English, students in Y10 and Y11 are assessed using the assessment objectives which form the GCSE. At GCSE we make informed predictions informed by our holistic assessment of their progress against the key assessment objectives and their aspirational GCSE targets. They cover the skills assessed in Reading (AO 1-4), Writing (AO5-6) and Speaking and Listening (AO7-9). There are assessment points throughout the year as well as ongoing formative assessment of key skills throughout each unit. For younger years we base our assessment on our subject mapping of the age-related expectations across the curriculum, assessing students' performance at their current stage of study against expectation. . These are also the basis for any appropriate support and intervention.

Key Assessment Objectives

- Identify and interpret explicit and implicit information and ideas
- Select and synthesise evidence from different texts
- Explain, comment on analyse how writers use language and structure to achieve effects and influence readers, using relevant subject terminology to support their views
- Compare writers' ideas and perspectives, as well as how these are conveyed, across two or more texts
- Evaluate texts critically and support this with appropriate textual references

- Communicate clearly, effectively, and imaginatively, selecting and adapting tone, style and register for different forms, purposes and audiences
- Organise information and ideas, using structural and grammatical features to support coherence and cohesion of texts
- Demonstrate presentation skills in a formal setting
- Listen and respond appropriately to spoken language, including to questions and feedback to presentations
- Use spoken Standard English effectively in speeches and presentations.

How can the study of English support students beyond school?

English provides a strong foundation for any job or profession that involves communication, writing and/or literary knowledge. These include advertising and marketing, writing and journalism, law, teaching, performing arts, government, linguistics, foreign languages, media and design. Careers in the sciences, engineering, technology and maths also need English and in fact any profession that requires analytical thinking, strong verbal and written communication, imagination or creativity can draw on the key skills acquired whilst studying English.

Careers that the study of English supports include:

- Journalism
- Teaching
- Publishing: copy editor / proof-reader
- Editorial Assistant
- Law: solicitor / barrister/ paralegal
- Librarian / Archivist
- Screenwriter
- Marketing & advertising
- Social media
- Web content manager
- Public Relations
- Human Resources
- Events management
- Research

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	YEAR 7 (each half term to include written accuracy focus)	YEAR 8 (each half term to include written accuracy focus)	YEAR 9 (each half term to include written accuracy focus)	YEAR 10 (The OGAT Teaching Plan for Language and Literature runs throughout the year)	YEAR 11 (OGAT Teaching Plan)
Autumn 1	<p>Novel - 'When The World Was Ours'</p> <p>Students will read the entire novel and will be able to comment on key themes. They will be able to discuss key events and characters</p> <p>Skills Information retrieval Craft of the writer Literary study Evaluation Transactional writing Written accuracy</p>	<p>Novel - 'Of Mice and Men'</p> <p>Students will read the entire novel and show some understanding of the context. They will also be able to discuss key events, key themes and key characters.</p> <p>Skills Information retrieval Craft of the writer Literary study Evaluation Transactional writing Written accuracy</p>	<p>Novel - 'Lord of the Flies'</p> <p>Students will read the entire novel. They will also be able to comment on key themes, events and show an understanding of key characters.</p> <p>Skills Literary study Craft of the writer Transactional writing</p>	<p>Language: Literacy skills, Narrative Writing & Fiction/Non-fiction Reading</p> <p>Literature: Poetry Anthology: War and Loss and introduction to Victorian London and 'A Christmas Carol'</p>	<p>Language: Narrative Writing, Transactional writing</p> <p>Reading AO1, AO2, AO3 and AO4 Full C1 and C2 walkthrough papers</p> <p>Literature: Poetry Anthology and Macbeth by William Shakespeare</p>
Autumn 2	<p>Identity poetry</p> <p>Students will read a selection of poems and will be able to articulate a writer's ideas. They will explore the writer's use of language.</p> <p>Skills Literary study Transactional writing Written accuracy</p>	<p>Relationships poetry</p> <p>Students will study a range of poems and will be able to articulate the 'story' of each poem and how the writers use language effectively to present their ideas and views.</p> <p>Skills Literary study Transactional writing</p>	<p>Victorian Britain</p> <p>Students will look at how writers present life in 19th Century Britain.</p> <p>Skills Information retrieval Transactional writing</p>	<p>Language: Non-Fiction Reading & Narrative Writing</p> <p>Literature: 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens Poetry Anthology: Blake's 'London', Wordsworth's 'The Prelude', Keats' 'To Autumn', Dickinson's 'As Imperceptibly as Grief', Dove's 'Cozy Apologia', Barrett Browning's 'Sonnet</p>	<p>Language: Narrative writing, Transactional Writing</p> <p>November Mock Exams. Full Language Component 1 and Component 2 papers</p> <p>Component 1 Literature: Anthology Poetry & 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens</p>

		Written accuracy		43', Heaney's 'Death of a Naturalist' and Larkin's 'Afternoons'	
Spring 1	<p>Shakespeare and the Supernatural</p> <p>Students will read a sample of Shakespearan texts and will be able to discuss the themes within these.</p> <p>Skills Creative writing Literary study Written accuracy</p>	<p>Shakespeare- Romeo and Juliet</p> <p>Students will read the entire play and be able to discuss key themes arising. They will be able to discuss key characters and the key theme of conflict.</p> <p>Skills Creative writing Information retrieval Literary study Written accuracy</p>	<p>Shakespeare: Much Ado About Nothing</p> <p>Students will read the entire play. They will be able to comment on key themes within the play. They will also understand and be able to talk and write about key events and key characters.</p> <p>Skills Information retrieval Craft of the writer Literary study Transactional writing Written accuracy</p>	<p>Language: Narrative Writing and Component 1 and Component 2 Reading skills</p> <p>Literature: 'Macbeth' by William Shakespeare & linked poems from the Eduqas Anthology: She Walks in Beauty, 'Cozy Apologia', 'Hawk Roosting' and 'Ozymandias'</p>	<p>Language: C2 Reading papers Transactional writing Narrative writing C1 Reading papers</p> <p>Literature: 'An Inspector Calls' by J. B. Priestley and Unseen Poetry</p>
Spring 2	<p>Gothic</p> <p>Students will read and explore a range of extracts from the gothic genre</p> <p>Skills Creative writing Written accuracy</p>	<p>Dystopian Fiction</p> <p>Students will read a selection of dystopian extracts and begin to write a narrative, focusing in particular on the problem and reaction.</p> <p>Skills Craft of the writer Literary study Creative writing Written accuracy</p>	<p>Conflict poetry and motivational poem</p> <p>Students will draw on their previous knowledge of poetry and be able to develop an appreciation of how and why poetry is important.</p> <p>Skills Literary study Craft of the writer Creative writing Written accuracy</p>	<p>Language: Narrative Writing Component 1 whole papers</p> <p>Spoken Language Endorsement Preparation</p> <p>Literature: Continue with Shakespeare's 'Macbeth' Introducing 'An Inspector Calls' by J. B. Priestley Poetry: 'Living Space', 'Manhunt' and 'Valentine'</p>	<p>Language: March Mock Exams Transactional Writing Component 1 and Component 2 whole papers</p> <p>Literature: Revision of Macbeth and 'A Christmas Carol', Poetry Anthology and Unseen Poetry Practice</p>

<p>Summer 1</p>	<p>Drama text: Our Day Out</p> <p>Students will read the entire play and will understand, and be able to articulate, the context of the play. They will be able to comment on key characters within the play.</p> <p>Skills Craft of the writer evaluating a key character transactional writing</p>	<p>Survival</p> <p>Students will read a selection of non-fiction and fiction texts based on the theme of 'survival'</p> <p>Skills Evaluation Information retrieval</p>	<p>Drama text: Blood Brother</p> <p>Students will read the entire play and be able to comment on the key themes. They will also discuss and write about key events and key characters.</p> <p>Skills Craft of the writer Literary study Transactional writing Written accuracy</p>	<p>Language: Component 2a Reading Skills & Transactional Writing</p> <p>Literature: 'An Inspector Calls' by J. B. Priestley & Poetry Anthology revision and exam skills</p>	<p>Language: Revision of: Narrative Writing Transactional writing Component1 & 2 whole papers</p> <p>Literature: Revision of all key texts and exam practice.</p>
<p>Summer 2</p>	<p>Novel-Individual choice</p> <p>Students will read an entire novel and will be able to discuss key themes arising. They will also be able to comment on key characters and key events.</p> <p>Skills Creative writing Transactional writing Focus on written accuracy</p>	<p>Novel-individual choice</p> <p>Students will read a novel in its entirety and will be able to discuss the key themes within it. They will also be able to comment on key characters and key events</p> <p>Skills Creative writing transactional writing Written accuracy</p>	<p>Modern Short Stories</p> <p>Students will deepen their knowledge of the spoken word and examine and probe how and why language has evolved over time. They will read a selection of short stories in this unit.</p> <p>Skills Craft of the writer Evaluation Literary study Creative writing</p>	<p>Language: Y10 C2 Mock exam, C2a Reading skills. C2B Transactional Writing & Spoken Language catch-up</p> <p>Literature: Consolidation and revision of all key texts.</p>	