

Our KS4 English Curriculum

In English, during KS4, you will complete a GCSE qualification in English Literature (EdExcel) and English Language (Eduqas). The below learning journey expresses the content of the two GCSE qualifications and the order in which you will study them.



A Christmas Carol

The study of the novella 'A Christmas Carol' which tells the story of Ebenezer Scrooge becoming a more generous man. Themes of redemption, poverty, and the supernatural.



Creative Prose Writing

Creative writing is a fundamental element of Language Paper 1. We will establish the basics of prose writing and story structures.

Conflict Poetry



The study of an anthology of fifteen poems centred around the themes of power and conflict.

Macbeth



The study of the Shakespearean play 'Macbeth' which tells the story of Macbeth's ambitious rise to power. Themes of kingship, the supernatural and deception.

Language Paper 2



Language Paper 2 is focussed on non-fiction reading and writing. In the exam, you will be required to answer questions based upon two non-fiction extracts, and complete two pieces of non-fiction writing.

Unseen Poetry



The preparation of skills needed to analyse and compare two poems that have not been taught prior to the exam.

An Inspector Calls



The study of the play 'An Inspector Calls' which centres around the investigation of the Birling family for the death of a young girl. Themes of injustice, family and gender.

Language Paper 1



Language Paper 1 is focussed on fiction reading and writing. In the exam, you will be required to answer questions based upon a fiction extract and complete a piece of creative prose writing.



Spoken Language

The Spoken Language Endorsement is the third component of your English Language GCSE. You are required to present, on a subject of your choice, to an audience.

Securing Procedural Knowledge

Prior to, and during, your GCSE examinations you will complete targeted retrieval and practice of exam procedures, as well as review key knowledge in areas of focus.

