

Key Stages 3 & 4

YEAR	TOPICS	TERMLY INDEPENDENT WORK
	Terminology Types of verb, types of noun, determiners, adjectives, adverbs, prepositions, pronouns, antonyms, homophones, synonyms.	Whole class text: undertake sustained, independent reading at home for assessment/project work. Link to end-of-year examination: <i>The Wolves of Willougby Chase</i> .
	singular and plural possession.	Prepare an oral presentation based on an object which is special to you.
	Sentence Structures Main clause, subordinate clause, conjunctions, relative clauses, declarative,	Paired letter-writing task: response and reply.
		Prepare a memorised recitation of a poem: January-February.
	tenses.	Give a prepared reading from a novel. Revision for half-year and end-of-year assessments: December and June.
7	2) Direct and indirect speech; separation of speech from prose with	Project linked to class reader/Shakespeare.
	3) Letter-writing.	
	4) Encountering metaphor, simile and alliteration; an awareness of imagery.	
	5) Homophones and homographs; common confusions.	
	6) Rainbow Reading Scheme - guided, individual reading/tasks, incorporating AKS Round Square Discovery lessons (SMSCD opportunity).	
	7) English Speaking Board, Senior Grade 1 Award preparation.	
	8) Rotary Young Writer/Mini-Sagas/Portico Sadie Massey competitions.	



	 Study of a range of literature across centuries and cultures - prose, poetry, drama, non-fiction, Shakespeare, (auto)biography, journals, letters, etc via individual/group work, continuous writing exercises, role play, 	
	focussed questioning, ICT, drama, class discussion, talks.	
	Terminology Noun phrases, verb phrases, adverbial phrases, comparative and superlative adjectives, active and passive voice.	Whole class text: undertake sustained, independent reading at home for assessment/project work. Link to end-of-year examination: dystopian fiction.
	Punctuation Brackets for parenthesis, speech punctuation.	Revision for half-year and end-of-year assessments: November and June.
	Sentence Structures Subordinate clauses at the start of sentences, embedded subordinate clauses, adjective and adverb sentence starters.	Project linked to class reader/Shakespeare. Link to Easter assessment: A Midsummer Night's Dream.
	1) Nouns, verbs, pronouns adjectives, adverbs, prepositions and	Preparation for inter-class debating.
8	conjunctions.2) Introducing the use of a range of punctuation including semi-colons, colons, dashes.	
	3) Varying sentences for effect, using subordinate clauses to begin	
	sentences.4) Detailed business letters and personal letters.	
	 Proper, common, collective and abstract nouns; noun clauses; uses of adjectives and adverbs, difference between them and positions in a 	
	sentence.	
	6) Reinforcement work on apostrophes for possession and contraction; the	
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	7) Metaphor, simile and alliteration; awareness of assonance and	
	personification; imagery and ambiguity.	
	8) Rainbow Reading Scheme (Advanced) - guided, individual reading/tasks,	
	incorporating AKS Round Square Discovery lessons (SMSCD opportunity).	
	9) Study of a range of literature across centuries and cultures - prose, poetry,	
	drama, non-fiction, Shakespeare (A Midsummer Night's Dream), dystopian	
	short stories (auto)biography, journals, letters, etc via individual/group	
	work, continuous writing exercises, role play, focussed questioning, ICT,	
	drama, class discussion, talks.	
	Terminology Adjectival phrases, preposition phrases.	Whole class text: undertake sustained, independent reading at home for assessment/project work.
	Punctuation Dashes, hyphen, colon, semi-colons.	Revision for half-year and end-of-year assessments: November and June. Link to end-of-year examination: detective fiction.
9	Sentence Structures Sentences with multiple clauses. Fragments.	Group presentation on poetry, perhaps allied to work with Year 9 Poetry Anthology.
	 Use a range of punctuation including semi-colons, colons, brackets, dashes and hyphens; know that every sentence contains a verb/begins 	Project linked to class reader/Shakespeare. Link to Easter assessment: Macbeth.
	with a capital letter; awareness of subject and object, simple, complex, and compound sentences; practise varying length of sentences for effect using subordinate clauses, noun phrases and participial phrases to begin a sentence.	Learning a speech or preparing individual speech.
	 Paragraphing (including with direct speech); colons to introduce a list; bullet points. 	
	 Different uses of adjectives and adverbs, differences between them and positions in a sentence; practise giving colour to verbs, adjectives or other 	



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		adverbs by use of adverbs (time, place, manner, degree and reason);	
differences between active/passive verbs and transitive/intransitive verbs;			
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4) Reinforcement work on apostrophes for possession and contraction; the		Reinforcement work on apostrophes for possession and contraction; the	
com		comma; tenses.	
5) Punctuation of titles, quotations and speech.		Punctuation of titles, quotations and speech.	
	 Metaphor, simile, alliteration, personification, assonance and pathetic fallacy. 		
		lanacy.	
	7) Imagery, symbolism and ambiguity.		
8) Blank verse, sonnet form, caesura and enjambment; eye-rhyme/half-			
rhyme.			
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	9)	Study of a range of literature across centuries and cultures - prose, poetry,	
		drama, non-fiction, Shakespeare (<i>Macbeth</i>), Conan Doyle (Sherlock	
		Holmes detective fiction), (auto)biography, journals, letters, etc via	
	individual/group work, continuous writing exercises, role play, focussed questioning, ICT, drama, class discussion, talks.		
			Revision for half-year and end-of-year assessments: January and June.
	1)	Study of set text and poetry material for IGCSE English Literature Paper 1.	nevision for han year and end of year assessments, sandary and sane.
	2)	Appreciation of and practice with techniques for IGCSE English Language	
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		Paper 1.	
10	3)	Spoken Language Endorsement: controlled individual oral assessment for	
		IGCSE English Language.	
	4)	Preparation of coursework assignments for IGCSE English Language Paper	
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	 Continuation with/revision of study of set t IGCSE English Literature Paper 1. 	Revision for mock examinations and end-of-year assessments: February and text and poetry material for May/June.
11	 Appreciation of and practice with technique Paper 1. 	ues for IGCSE English Language
	 Spoken Language Endorsement: controlled IGCSE English Language. 	d individual oral assessment for
	 Preparation of coursework assignments for 3 and IGCSE English Literature Paper 3. 	or IGCSE English Language Paper

PLEASE NOTE:

- This overview sets out a general summary of the basic curriculum taught. It is not an exhaustive list of what may be taught and subject teachers may follow the above in a different order. Further details may be obtained from the Head of Department, if required.
- The Independent Work indicated represents core, headline tasks per term; weekly/fortnightly independent/homework is set in all subject areas, and details are noted on Teams/Reflective Journals.