



Curriculum Plans – Year 7 English

Please find below a detailed outline of the curriculum covered in English through Year 7 in Key Stage 3.

Year 7

	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4/5		Block 6	Block 7
	8.5 weeks Novel - A Monster Calls		6 weeks Identity Poetry	10 weeks Drama - The Tempest		11 weeks Novel – Boy	
	Considering the viewpoint of the novel and the ways in which the protagonist may be relatable		Considering a broad range of perspectives and viewpoints	Exploring the historical context of 17th century England		Considering the difference between fiction and non-fiction. Studying what the elements of autobiography are.	
	Exploring the role that Jim Kay’s artwork had in the original version of the text		Examining poetry from different cultures/perspectives and considering what we can learn from it	Examining the conventions of drama and particularly those of Shakespearean plays		Considering how the author creates humour in his autobiography.	
	Making predictions based on our own contextual knowledge		Identifying and analysing a range of poetic techniques	Considering the themes that occur in Shakespeare’s writing		Using knowledge of the genre to write own autobiographical accounts, challenging themselves to incorporate humour.	
	Examining the ways in which Ness uses foreshadowing in the novel		Reflecting on poetic form and structure and commenting on potential intentions and responses	Evaluating how far a text can be considered ‘timeless’			
A s s e s s m e n t	Reading Baseline	Writing	Writing	Reading	Writing	EOY exam	
	We will assess the skills that they start the year with: comprehending texts and the effect of language	Based on the text they’ve read this term. Students will complete an extended writing task.	Students will be assessed on their skill to understand a poem and write creatively based on themes in the poem. The skill will be the same but the poem will not be one students have studied before.	Students will need to be able to analyse language that gives them an opinion on a character from the text.	Students will apply creative writing skills to an unseen text of a similar theme to <i>The Tempest</i> .	Students will be assessed on the skills and knowledge that they have acquired throughout the year.	