



Curriculum Plans – Year 7 – English

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

BLOCK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Dates	August - September (5 weeks)	October (4 weeks)	November - December (6 weeks)	January - February (5 weeks)	February - March (6 weeks)	April (4 weeks)	May - June (7 weeks)	
Topics	Novel - Stone Cold Familiarising the class with conventions of the novel Examining effective story openings and considering different ways to hook the reader Responding creatively to the text by writing descriptively Analysing different techniques and approaches used by the author		Drama - The Tempest Exploring the historical context of 17th century England Examining the conventions of drama and particularly those of Shakespearean plays Considering the themes that occur in Shakespeare's writing Evaluating how far a text can be considered 'timeless'		Poetry - From Chaucer to Shakespeare Examining the differences between Chaucer's Middle and Shakespeare's Early Modern English Considering the form and structure of a poem Interpreting archaic language and developing a personal response Identifying and analysing poetic techniques		Novel - Holes Reviewing the main conventions of the novel form Comparing texts by considering similarities and differences with 'Stone Cold' Reflecting on the effective use of third person perspective/narrator Responding creatively to the text by writing a persuasive piece	
Assessments	Creative writing - descriptive	Essay - textual analysis	Creative writing - narrative	Essay - textual analysis	Essay - textual analysis	Creative writing - persuasive	Essay - textual analysis	
Academic Theme	Planning for Tomorrow	The World around us	Better Together	The Working World	Opportunities for Everyone	Keep it Green, Keep it Clean	Healthy Body, Healthy Mind	