



Curriculum Plans – Year 9 - English

Please find below a detailed outline of the curriculum covered in English through Year 9 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 - Animal Farm Exploring the context of the novella and understanding its historical importance Developing an understanding of the themes in the novella Analysing literary techniques, forms and devices Evaluating how Orwell uses language to deliver his message and whether that message is convincing		Drama - DNA Considering the conventions of dramatic texts and comparing them to prose and poetry. Examining the context of the play and relating it to other texts we've studied. Reflecting on the dramatic process, which may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staging - Storyboarding - Scriptwriting Responding to a dramatic text in writing while considering playwright's intention and audience response		Poetry of Conflict Analysing poetic techniques, forms and devices Showing a critical understanding Exploring themes and sharing personal responses Developing communication and presentation skills Understanding the historical context of the poems		Novel - Of Mice and Men Exploring the context of the novella and understanding its historical importance Develop an understanding of the themes in the novella Analysing literary techniques, forms and devices Drawing links between historical and contemporary social issues Reflecting on the issue of social responsibility and how such ideas change over time	
Assessments	Creative writing - persuasive	Essay - textual analysis	Creative writing - narrative	Essay - textual analysis	Essay - textual analysis	Creative writing - descriptive	Essay - textual analysis	