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In English we offer an inclusive curriculum that provides the opportunity to encounter a wide range of texts written by diverse voices. It aims to engage and inspire students to develop a love of literature and master the written and oral skills required for life.

In Year 10 students begin their GCSE courses. In English Language they learn how to produce fictional and transactional writing and analyse writers' use of language and structure to both entertain and persuade the reader. In Literature they learn how to analyse a text and understand writers' ideas about the human condition.

# English Literature - 19th Century novel 'A Christmas Carol'

- Students will learn about how Dickens uses language, structure and form to explore ideas about poverty, family, redemption and social responsibility.

## English Language – Fictional texts

Students will learn how to analyse the language and structure used by a writer. They will also learn how to evaluate a text. Students will also further develop their own fictional writing skills.

#### Assessment:

Big Write: A
Christmas Carol –
Students analyse an
extract from the text,
linking it to the text as
a whole.

Big Write: Language Paper 1 – Students will complete both the reading and writing questions.

# Mid-year assessment English Language Paper 1 and English Literature 'A Christmas Carol'

# English Literature – 20th Century play 'An Inspector Calls'

- Students will learn how to Priestley uses language, structure and form to explore ideas about class, gender and social responsibility.

# English Literature – Shakespeare 'Macbeth'

- Students will learn how Shakespeare uses language, structure and form to explore ideas about ambition, greed, gender and the supernatural.

#### Assessment:

Big Write: An Inspector Calls – Students answer a closed book question on either a character or at theme.

Big Write: Macbeth – Students analyse an extract from the text, linking it to the text as a whole.

#### English Language and Lit revision for end of year exams

- Students will engage a full revision programme of the knowledge and skills that they have been taught this year.

# End of year assessment English Language Paper 1 and English Literature Paper 1

#### English Literature War and Conflict Anthology poetry (4 of the 15 poems)

• Students will learn how poets across the ages use language, structure and form to explore ideas about war, conflict and power.

#### Assessment:

**Big write:** English Language and Literature exam style practise questions.

Big write: Write a comparison of themes and use of language and structure across two poems taught.

# Useful resources for supporting your child at home:

- Literature revision guides provided by school.
- Watching productions of literature texts using digital theatre provided by school.
- CGP Literature workbooks.

#### Homework:

Students will complete a homework activity every week using their Literature revision guides.