## **English Department KS3 Curriculum**

All classes are taught in mixed ability form groups in years 7 and 8. Students have **three** fifty minute lessons a week, studying departmental **schemes of work** listed below. In year 9, students are taught in three sets 9EN1, 9EN2 and 9EN3. Each group in year 9 follow similar units of work but there are differences in the texts studied. In addition, all KS3 students have **one** fifty minute lesson of private reading/SPaG. This lesson usually comprises of a spelling test, grammar focus and private reading time. Students, who are enrolled on the accelerated reader scheme, will also complete reading quizzes in this lesson.



Year 7	Term 1		Term 2		Term 3	
	Α	В	Α	В	A	В
	'My First Day' (Introductory writing piece) Introduction to genre / Story openings- narrative hooks and structure Mystery Story Unit (Writing assessment)	Class novel- Stormbreaker by Anthony Horrowitz  (Reading assessment)	An Introduction to Shakespeare	Poetry - Poems to set the Darkness Echoing (Reading assessment)	Reading comprehension: Q1-4 based on two texts from the 19 <sup>th</sup> century and 21 <sup>st</sup> century. Q5- writing task (argue/persuade)	Myths and Legends
Year 8	Term 1		Term 2		Term 3	
	A	В	Α	В	A	В
	Introductory unit 'My Holiday' (Writing assessment)  Adventure and Exploration (Reading assessment- Touching the Void)	Dickens Unit (Writing assessment)	History of English/ Chaucer  Reading assessment- The Miller	Shakespeare A Midsummer Night's Dream	Poetry  (Reading assessment)  Exam  Reading comprehension: Q1-4 based on two texts from the 19 <sup>th</sup> century and 21 <sup>st</sup> century.  Q5- writing task	Skellig  David Almond  Skellig  THE PLAY

Year 9	Term 1		Term 2		Term 3	
	A	В	Α	В	A	В
9EN1	(Reading assessment-Bryson/Defoe Orlando-V Woolf)  (Writing assessment-personal travel writing account)  BILL BRYSON  SMALL  ISLAND	Gothic unit- pre 19th century writers  (Reading assessment- 'The Red Room') (Writing assessment- Gothic horror story opening) Optional extra - 'The Woman in Black' play script	Reading comprehension: Q1-4 based on a 20 <sup>th</sup> century or 21 <sup>st</sup> century fiction text.  Q5- writing task (describe/narrate)	Macbeth  (Reading assessment- Macbeth's character in the extract +whole play)	Class novel- 'The Hound of the Baskervilles' or 'Of Mice and Men'  (Reading assessment-Extract analysis and the depiction of character/setting)  The Hound of The Baskervilles SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE	Exposure London My Last Duchess Ozymandias  AQA  GENGLISH LITERATURE  WARRENT OF THE PROPERTY
9EN2 9EN3	Theme park  (Writing assessment-fairground description)	Gothic unit- pre 19th century writers  (Reading assessment- 'The Red Room'- HG Wells)  (Writing assessment- Gothic horror story opening)  Optional extra - 'Our Day Out' or Frankenstein play script	Reading comprehension: Q1-4 based on a 20 <sup>th</sup> century or 21 <sup>st</sup> century.  Q5- writing task (describe/narrate)	Macbeth  (Reading assessment- Macbeth's character in the extract +whole play)	Class novel- 'Animal Farm' or 'Of Mice and Men'  (Reading assessment- Extract analysis and the depiction of character/setting)	Exposure London My Last Duchess Ozymandias