



Subject:	English
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Head of Subject:	Mr J Grundy
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Year:	Nine
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Organisation of the Subject
English is taught in from groups of 28/9 pupils. The students have seven lessons per fortnight, including a half hour lesson each week on the Quality of Written Communication.

Key Concepts (The big ideas underpinning the subject)	Key 'Learning Capacities' in this subject
The 'Four Cs' <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Develop Confidence ➤ Encourage Creativity ➤ Develop a Cultural understanding ➤ Develop a Critical understanding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Speaking and Listening Sp+L1: Presenting Sp+L2: Working and discussing with groups or pairs ➤ Reading R1: Understanding texts R2: Analysing language and structure R3: Drawing comparisons between texts ➤ Writing W1: Organising texts effectively W2: Using a range of sentences and punctuation W3: Choosing vocabulary for effect, with accurate spelling

What will your daughter be learning?	How will your daughter be learning?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ GCSE Paper 1 prose study, using legacy GCSE literature texts ➤ GCSE Paper 2 non-fiction analysis of travel writing, including study of 19th century literary non-fiction ➤ Thematic study of 19th century literature: Gothic fiction ➤ Non-fiction reading and writing skills ➤ Introduction to GCSE Shakespeare text: <i>Much Ado About Nothing</i> ➤ Introduction to GCSE poetry anthology study (Love & Relationships) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Group work - collaboration and interdependence ➤ Analysing texts - distilling and thinking rigorously ➤ Practical lessons - imagining and questioning ➤ Research using the internet and Moodle - thinking methodically and noticing with purpose ➤ Independent work - learning to be a good self-manager

How will learning be assessed?	What can you do to support your daughter?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Termly Common Tasks to Assess Reading and Writing/ End of Year exam ➤ Homework ➤ Oral assessment ➤ Peer and self-assessment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Encourage your daughter to proof read her work ➤ Encourage reading for pleasure ➤ Check homework has been completed

Equipment needed for this subject	Extra-Curricular / Enrichment Opportunities
Exercise books and class readers/ text books are provided. Girls may find it useful to carry a small pocket dictionary or a spell checker.	Performing Arts Festival English Supported Study Public Speaking competition – 3 representatives per form National and school creative writing competition Lancashire Book of the Year

If you have any questions about this Learning Overview, please contact your daughter's subject teacher in the first instance.