



CHELMER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

We are a highly enthusiastic, innovative and dedicated department. Collectively, we are committed to maintaining high standards in learning and teaching. We strive to ensure that lessons are challenging, engaging, and personalised to support all learners in their efforts to achieve their potential. A thorough structure ensures that the department are extremely supportive and willing to devote time to reflection and evaluation of good practice.

We are extensively resourced with a wide selection of texts at all Key Stages, and organised schemes of work which are constantly modified and updated. Our facilities ensure that there is ample opportunity to plan and deliver a range of lessons. The department consists of a suite of rooms surrounding an open area, fully equipped with computers and space to allow drama activities. All rooms are provided with either an interactive whiteboard or a data projector.

At GCSE, we follow the Pearson Edexcel specification for both GCSE English Language and English Literature; all students study both. English Literature is popular at A Level; we follow the Pearson Edexcel English Literature A Level specification.

Students with special needs are supported within the classroom by Learning Support Assistants, who - in liaison with the SEN department - establish an Individual Education Plan that is periodically reviewed to monitor progress. We also provide extra support through our paired reading scheme, which sees Year 12 students helping to develop the abilities of weaker readers in Year 7.

In interview, you will be asked to prepare and deliver a lesson or part of a lesson; further information will be provided. If you have any questions, please email the Head of English, Samantha Hill, at shill@chelmer.essex.sch.uk.