



The Oakwood
Academy

ENGLISH

The department comprises seven full-time members of staff, and is situated in purpose-built classrooms, with all rooms benefiting from projectors, visualisers and interactive whiteboards. English is a popular subject in the school, and results have followed an upward trend in recent years.

At GCSE, the department follows the AQA specification for both Language and Literature. At Key Stage 3 and 4, we utilise the Redhill Trust 5 year scheme of learning which incorporates a wide range of texts. Resources and teaching strategies are designed to maximise pupil progress, as well facilitating analytical thinking and engendering a passion for Literature.

Working closely with the Trust Director for English allows for consistency in assessments and interventions across Trust schools, as well as high quality CPD and shared resources. 'English Trust Resource Shares' are great events and an opportunity to collaborate and share best practice with colleagues from across the Trust.

Students have 3 hours of English lessons per week in years 7, 8 and 9, as well an additional dedicated hour for the Accelerated Reader programme. Some students also have an additional hour to improve literacy skills dependent on setting. In Year 10 students have 4 hours of English per week, increasing to 5 hours in Year 11. Those students requiring extra support take part in small-group intervention work with a dedicated tutor or attend our popular English period 6 sessions.

English forms a key component in any school and hence the successful candidate will play a crucial part in continuing to build on the successes of both the English department and the school as a whole. If you are interested in joining our team and driving future success then we shall be delighted to receive your application.

Ms Emma Murray

Head of English Faculty

