

ENGLISH FACULTY

The Faculty Members

Mrs Laura Fox - Core Leader for English
Miss Emily Woffinden - Line Manager
Mrs Zoe Bissett - Line Manager
Miss Katie Roach - Acting Core Leader for English
Miss Liz Feasey - Acting Second in Dept and KS5
Mr Craig Scott - SCITT lead
Mr Connor Herron - KS4 Lead
Mrs Judith Wilson - Head of year 13
Mr Joe Hartles - KS3 Lead
Mrs Elouise Courtney - Assistant SENCO
Mrs Joanne Johnson
Mrs Caroline Baldwin
Mrs Heather Cross
Mrs Laura Newton
Mr Joe Gavin
Mrs Hayley Harding
Mrs Danielle Titley
Miss Keeley Jones
Miss Grace Dubidat
Mrs Ruqaiyah Shabir
Mrs Lauren Murphy

Promotion from and within this Faculty is regular.

The English Curriculum

Students in Years 7 and 8 follow a programme of study which enables them to develop their reading and writing skills in preparation for GCSE study as well as encouraging a keen interest in and enjoyment of the study of English and reading. Year 7 and 8 students study a range of fiction and non-fiction texts during Key Stage 3 and complete an assessment during each half term, in-line with assessment requirements. In Key Stage 3, students are set by ability, but there is fluidity to these sets which means students can move where appropriate. Support for the most able students and students with special needs are catered for within smaller separate groups. The English Faculty works very closely with the SEN department to ensure the needs of every student are met in their English lessons.

Year 9 is a preparatory year for GCSE study. The skills taught in Year 9, such as the study of a Dickens novel, the study of a Shakespeare play and the analysis of non-fiction texts, prepare the students for the rigour of GCSE study. Assessments in Year 9 are completed in controlled conditions, as they are in Years 10 and 11, in the same format that students will experience at

GCSE. In Year 9, students are set by ability, and again there is a fluidity to these sets meaning students can move, where appropriate.

The Faculty has adopted the AQA Specification in English Language and English Literature at GCSE. Year 10 and Year 11 students are working towards the linear specification, meaning Language and Literature are taught concurrently to all students. All students are studying *A Christmas Carol*, *Macbeth* and *An Inspector Calls*. During GCSE study, students continue to develop their reading and writing skills to meet the high expectations of GCSE study and prepare them for post-16 education.

At Key Stage 5 we offer A Level AQA qualifications in English Language, English Literature (specification A), and English Combined to Year 12 and Year 13 students.

All classrooms are fully equipped with digital technology and ICT facilities. One room has sufficient computers for class use. Our book stock is good and we constantly add to and review our resources. We have a staff work room with ICT facilities.

Extra Curricular

The Faculty offers a range of extra curricular activities, which includes theatre visits, debating society, booster classes, KS5 subject specific lectures, visiting university lecturers and Study Support sessions. There are also strong links with our primary feeder schools.

Candidates

Candidates should return the application form plus a letter of application, including their DfE number with application and names, addresses and telephone numbers of two referees. We always take up references and safer recruitment checks on candidates considered for any post.

It is our policy not to notify unsuccessful candidates; therefore, if you do not have further communication from us, please accept our good wishes for your future applications and thank you for the interest shown in this post.