



Welcome!

ENGLISH

Information Evening 2018
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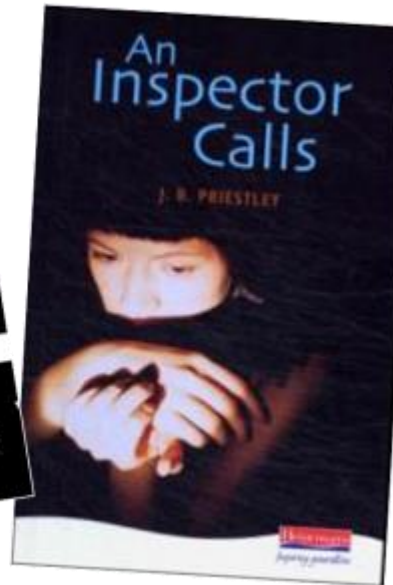
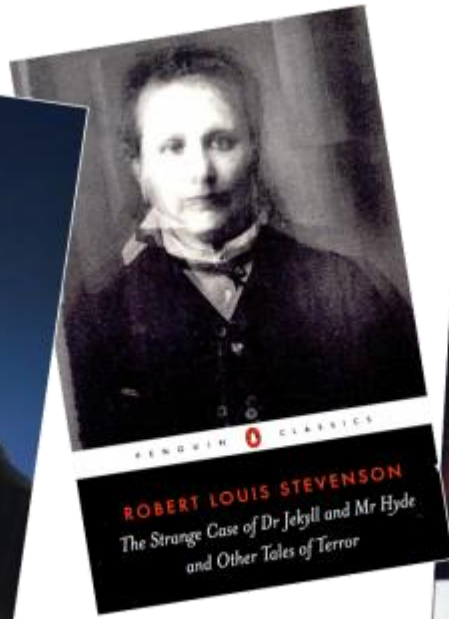
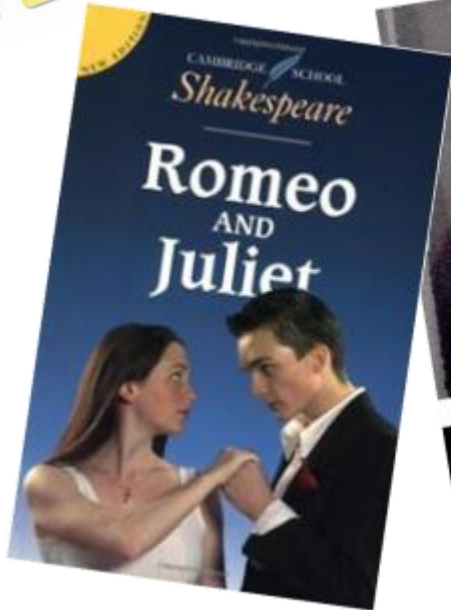
THE IMPORTANCE OF MATHS AND ENGLISH IN YEAR 11

- ❑ Provides transferable skills
- ❑ Confidence when approaching other exams in the summer
- ❑ Access to Post 16 Education
- ❑ Allows for a full set of 4 A Levels
- ❑ Easier to pass first time
- ❑ Requirement for the vast majority of University Courses
- ❑ Employability

132 hours

This is the approximate no of hours we have in English lessons before the first real English Language exam...

EQUIPMENT NEEDED FOR ENGLISH LESSONS



All class books and revision guides can be purchased in the school shop

Set name	Class texts
1 1 ANGELOU	Macbeth, Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde, An Inspector Calls
1 1 BOYLE	Macbeth, Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde, An Inspector Calls
1 1 CURIE	Macbeth, Lord of the Flies, Frankenstein
1 1 DAHL	Macbeth, Lord of the Flies, Frankenstein
1 1 EUCLID	Macbeth, Blood Brothers, A Christmas Carol
1 1 FERMAT	Macbeth, Blood Brothers, A Christmas Carol

The poetry clusters are class dependent and so your child will know which poetry cluster they have studied. Either Power and Conflict or Love and Relationships

WHAT ARE THE KEY SKILLS FOR STUDENTS IN OUR SUBJECT?

Two courses but they use the same skills!

Language

- Reading the question
- Reading comprehension
- Writing and grammatical skills
- Ability to analyse and decode different styles of text from different years.
- Extended writing (including the writer's effects)

Literature

- Reading the question
- Analysing language, structure and form
- Considering the author's intent and views
- Showing an understanding of character, theme and plot
- Using and analysing language features with subject terminology
- Both exams are closed book and so the more they read the text the better

➤ Students need to be practising these skills every day, it's the only way to improve.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Revision Books- These can be purchased online or in our school shop

Purchasing the text books to allow your child to read at home enabling them to make revision notes as they go along

Look online with your child and ensure they complete homework given by their class teacher



Looking through different texts with your child, from different eras (19th and 20th century texts)

Work on your child's vocabulary and try to use new words together each week

LANGUAGE

EXAM:

Paper 1-Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing

What's assessed?

Section A: Reading- one literature fiction text

Section B: Writing- descriptive or narrative writing

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes

80 marks

50 % of GCSE

Paper 2- Paper 2: Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives

What's assessed?

Section A: Reading- one non-fiction text and one literary non-fiction text

Section B: Writing - writing to present a viewpoint

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes

80 marks

50 % of GCSE

LITERATURE EXAM:

Paper 1 – Shakespeare and the 19th-century novel

- Section A- Shakespeare, one question about Macbeth. Writing in detail about an extract and then the play as a whole.
- Section B- 19th-century novel. One question about the novel studied in class. Writing in detail about an extract and then the play as a whole
- Closed book. 1 hour 45 minutes
- 64 marks/ 40% of the GCSE



Paper 2- Modern Texts and Poetry

- Section A- Modern text. One essay question on their studied modern prose or drama.
- Section B- Poetry. One comparative question on one named poem and one other poem from their chosen anthology
- Section C- Unseen poetry- one question on one unseen poem and one question comparing this poem with a second unseen poem
- Closed book. 2 hours and 15 minutes
- 96 marks/ 60% of the GCSE

KEY DATES – PREPARING FOR THE EXAM

Mock exams in exams hall:

Week beginning 12th November for 2 weeks

Language Paper 1 & 2

Mock exams in class:

Week beginning 15th October

Literature Paper 2

Real Exams:

- ❖ AQA English Language Paper 1 - Tuesday 4th June (Provisional)
- ❖ AQA English Language Paper 2 – Friday 7th June (Provisional)
- ❖ AQA English Literature Paper 1 – Wednesday 15th May (Provisional)
- ❖ AQA English Literature Paper 2 – Thursday 23rd May (Provisional)

