

## KS3 English Curriculum Overview

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**Assessment:**

Pupils will be assessed twice per unit of work. A midpoint assessment, completed under exam conditions, focuses on a narrow aspect of the curriculum skills and/or knowledge. The end of unit assessment is completed under exam conditions and is a summative assessment designed to measure pupils' access and engagement with the skills/knowledge focus of the unit.

In addition to these more formal methodologies, there are formative assessments based on oracy skills, plus book marking to assess literacy and handwriting.

**Homework:**

Bedrock Learning is an online programme which is designed to offer a tailored course of study to pupils in Grammar and Vocabulary. All pupils are expected to complete two sessions on Bedrock per week for their homework.

**Other Useful Information:**

There is a range of content on Google Classroom, this is home-made and hand-picked resources, the purpose of which is to extend study in all aspects of the curriculum.

	Half term 1	Half term 2	Half term 3	Half term 4	Half term 5	Half term 6
Year 7	Growing Up		Family		Monsters/Magic	
Year 8	<b>Genre writing: Gothic fiction Dracula</b> Play-script Frankenstein * Fiction reading	<b>Genre writing: Gothic non-fiction</b> * Writing to argue and persuade	<b>Genre writing: Dystopian fiction</b> * Writing to describe and narrate	<b>Poetry: WWI Poetry and Prose</b> * Comparing two poems	<b>Fiction: WWII The Boy in Striped Pyjamas</b> * Comparing two non-fiction texts	
Year 9	<b>Key writer: Romeo and Juliet</b> * Extract/whole	<b>Key writer: Of Mice and Men</b> * Non fiction reading and comparison	<b>Reading and writing non-fiction:</b> The trial of Oscar Pistorius * Writing to argue/persuade	<b>Short stories:</b> Roald Dahl and how to construct the perfect short story * Fiction reading	<b>Writing to describe and narrate:</b> Using the techniques of language and structure analysed in literary models *Fiction writing	