

What are the aims and intentions of this curriculum?

The aim of our Key Stage 4 Curriculum is to equip all students with the reading, writing and oracy skills necessary to excel at GCSE. Moreover, we seek to provide students with the critical reading skills to appreciate a wide and diverse range of literature, as well as empowering them to read non-fiction texts in a discriminating manner. Students should complete KS4 being able to use language, in a variety of forms, to articulate their own ideas with clarity and confidence.

Term	Topics	Knowledge covered	Skills developed	Assessment
Autumn	<i>The Beginning of the End</i>	English Literature: <i>Romeo and Juliet</i> English Literature: <i>A Christmas Carol</i>	Contextual background Exam style responses	MOCK Exams W/C 29th October 2018 Reading and writing assessments using GCSE questions and mark schemes.
Spring	<i>Survival of the Fittest</i>	English Language: Paper 1 English Language: Paper 2	Reading skills (retrieval, language, structure, evaluation) Writing skills (describe and narrate) Reading skills (recall, analysis, summarising and comparison) Writing skills (argue, persuade and inform)	MOCK Exams Reading and writing assessments using GCSE questions and mark schemes.
Summer	<i>The Final Countdown</i>	Revision of Literature Texts	<i>A Christmas Carol</i> <i>Romeo and Juliet</i> <i>An Inspector Calls</i> Love and Relationships Poetry (Unseen Poetry)	Reading and writing assessments using GCSE questions and mark schemes.