

English Curriculum Guide

Year 13

What will my son learn?		
Autumn term <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completing coursework on <i>The Remains of the Day</i> by Kazuo Ishiguro, Marxist approaches and poems by Emily Dickinson, feminist approaches• <i>When Will there Be Good News?</i> by Kate Atkinson• <i>Rime of the Ancient Mariner</i> by Samuel Taylor Coleridge	Spring Term <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Brighton Rock</i> by Graham Greene• Revision of <i>Death of a Salesman</i> by Arthur Miller• Revision of Keats poetry	Summer Term <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revision of <i>King Lear</i> by Shakespeare• Unseen techniques and practice• Exams

How will my son be assessed?

There are two exams at the end of year 13, and two pieces of coursework due in September of year 13.

A Level Exams

Paper 1 – Literary Genres: Aspects of Tragedy

- Poetry of John Keats, *King Lear* and *Death of a Salesman* (closed book exam)

Paper 2 – Texts and Genres: Crime Writing

- *When Will there Be Good News?* by Kate Atkinson, *Brighton Rock* by Graham Green and *The Rime of the Ancient Mariner* by Samuel Taylor Coleridge, one unseen piece.

Coursework – Theory and Independence

- 1,500 word essay on *The Remains of the Day* by Kazuo Ishiguro, Marxist readings
- 1,500 word essay on selected poems by Emily Dickinson, feminist approaches

Your son or daughter will study the **AQA English Literature Specification B**.

How can I support my son with English?

- You should encourage your son or daughter to read a wide range of challenging texts (reading lists will be distributed with recommended texts).
- You can also encourage your child to visit the major cultural institutions which London offers; of particular value for this course are The National Gallery (nationalgallery.org.uk) and The British Library (bl.uk); both are free.
- The Globe (shakespearesglobe.com) and The National Theatre (nationaltheatreorg.uk) offer tickets for £5 and £15 respectively' a visit to either of these theatres would be worthwhile.

