

English Department KS3 Curriculum Map 2025-26– Year 7

	Autumn Term (T1A)		Autumn Term (T1B)	H/W
7 weeks	'A Story Like the Wind' – Transition Text Creative Writing Task: Writing outcome based on extract as a stimulus Vision Links: • Understanding/appreciation of morality, tolerance around Catholic teaching. Curriculum Links: • making inferences and referring to evidence in the text • applying their growing knowledge of vocabulary, grammar and text structure to their writing and selecting the appropriate form Assessment Week: w/b 20 th October	7 weeks	Novel Study – 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' Reading Focused Task: How does the writer present Shmuel in the extract? Vision Links: • Enjoyment of English and its wider context; reading widely for pleasure. Curriculum Links: • making inferences and referring to evidence in the text • Reading a wide range of fiction and non-fiction, including in particular whole books • studying setting, plot, and characterisation, and the effects of these	Focus Focus Homework Tasks include two per half term.
	Half Term		Assessment Week: w/b 15 th December Christmas Break	
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	Spring Term (T2A)		Spring Term (T2B)	H/W
6 Weeks	Descriptive Writing – Mysteries and Detectives	5 Weeks	19 th Century Non-Fiction	Focus Home
	No formal Assessment		Reading focus: How does the writer use language to present his attitude towards the school?	
	Vision Links:			work
	Developing the skills necessary to move onto their next steps when they leave school.		Vision Links:An ability to think hard about challenging concepts	Homework Tasks include two per half term.
	Curriculum Links:		Curriculum Links:	
	 Drawing on new vocabulary and grammatical constructions from their reading, and using these consciously in their writing to achieve particular effects Amending the vocabulary, grammar and structure of their writing to improve its coherence and overall effectiveness 		 Writing a range of non-narrative texts, including arguments, and personal and formal letters Draw on knowledge of literary and rhetorical devices from their reading and listening to enhance the impact of their writing 	
	Assessment Week: N/A		Assessment Week: w/b 23 rd March	
	Half Term		Easter Break	

	Summer Term (T3A)		Summer Term (T3B)	H/W Focus
6 weeks	'Survival' – Non-fiction texts	S	Introduction to Shakespeare	Homework Tasks include two per half term.
	Writing Focus Task: Write a diary entry as a survivor of a terrifying event/ordeal		No Formal Assessment	
	Vision Links:Having an interest in writers' craft		Vision Links:Building effective, working relationships	
	Curriculum Links:	7 weeks	Curriculum Links:	
	 knowing the purpose, audience for and context of the writing and drawing on this knowledge to support comprehension Summarising and organising material, and supporting ideas and arguments with any 		 Speak confidently and effectively Improvising, rehearsing and performing play scripts in order to generate language and discuss language use and meaning 	
	necessary factual detail Assessment Week: w/b 18 th May Half Term		Assessment Week: N/A (due to Yr 7 Camp) Summer Break	