

SUMMER 2024

SUBJECT: English

Year: 9

Topic(s) to be covered:

Scheme of Learning One

End of Year Assessment and Introduction to Macbeth

This half term sees the scheme of learning split in to two. The first half will see students prepare of their end of year assessment. For this assessment, students will revise the skills they have developed this year including responding to fiction texts, looking at language and structure as well as evaluating the effect of the texts. Students will also develop their creative writing skills.

For the second half of the term, students will be introduced to the plot and context of Macbeth. Students will explore the social, cultural and historical context of the play, learning about Shakespeare's world as well as the key events in one of Shakespeare's greatest pieces of works.

Assessment focus: English Language paper 1: reading and writing.

Scheme of Learning Two

Macbeth

Having explored the plot and context of Macbeth, students will this half term explore the text it self. They will explore the language and structure use by Shakespeare as well as make links between his use of language and their knowledge of the context.

Assessment focus: analysing language and structure for effect. This links to GCSE English Literature Papers 1.

Assessment Procedures

This unit will culminate in a formal GCSE style assessments, which will be marked using the new GCSE mark scheme. Due to national changes the New Curriculum now begins in Year 7 and is a continuum up to the final GCSE exams. National Curriculum grades will now be reported as new GCSE Levels 1-9.

Homework guidance

Students will be set a variety of homework tasks linked to lessons covered during the scheme of work. Students will be expected to spend between thirty minutes and an hour completing these tasks.

All students should additionally read a quality text of their own choice for a minimum of twenty minutes, two times a week in order to support Literacy.

Enrichment opportunities when school resumes as normal:

Debate Club

Competitions/ School trips/ Guest Visitors

How can you help?

Seneca is an online revision services which Lode Heath School is proud to offer students. It is proven to improve exam results, if services are used by students consistently. The sooner students start using Seneca, the better!

Encouraging your child to complete homework to a good standard is important as homework supports learning that has taken place in the classroom. Regular reading of a variety of texts is an excellent way to boost performance in English. Students will be set reading homework weekly.