ENGLISH LITERATURE

WHAT WILL I STUDY AND LEARN?

You will study a minimum of eight texts, covering prose, poetry and drama including at least three published before 1900 and at least one that was published after 2000. One of the Drama texts will be by Shakespeare.

You will learn how to analyse texts to establish how writers use language to create meaning and how that meaning is affected by the context of the writer's world and the world we live in as readers.

HOW IS IT TAUGHT?

There is strong emphasis on individual, independent study and during the course you should develop a greater confidence in your own ability to think and communicate ideas. Lessons are devoted to discussion and analysis, often led by students or in groups. Books can transform people's lives. English teachers want to communicate the excitement of literature and its relevance. Enjoyment of reading and talking about what you have read and discovered is a good reason for doing English Literature at A Level. English Literature is a two-year pathway only. There will be no option of sitting an AS at the end of the first year.

EXTRA ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At least a grade 5 in both GCSE English Language and GCSE English Literature.

WHO DO I SEE FOR MORE INFORMATION?

- Mrs J. Evans, Head of English.
- Mr D. Izod, Teacher of English.

