ASHTON COMMUNITY SCIENCE COLLEGE: ENGLISH CURRICULUM



Year 7			
	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Knowledge	Topic: How do writers capture characters with words? Smith – Leon Garfield	Topic: Can a text take you on an adventure? Seminal Literature extracts and poetry, plus non-fiction texts	Topic: How has society changed over time? A Midsummer Night's Dream – William Shakespeare
Skills/ application of knowledge	 Character archetypes Narrative features Characters in narrative Character development over time Charles Dickens' motives to write Victorian life; rich vs. poor; and crime and punishment Descriptive features in relation to character Drafting and editing Revise KS2 SPG Locate and retrieve evidence Developing a narrative extract (character description) Develop knowledge of spelling rules 	 First person perspective in fiction and transactional writing and being able to understand opinion Retrieve and interpret evidence Identify and apply basic persuasive features Understand the difference between fiction and nonfiction writing and the conventions. Summarise nonfiction texts Identifying and retrieving key information from source material A celebration, immersion and appreciation of other cultures - their histories, customs and people Developing an understanding and appreciation of global heritage and history Inferring ideas and concepts from poetry. 	 Shakespeare's theatre and the theatrical practices of Shakespeare's London The Elizabethan era Features of a Shakespearean play with a focus on blank verse and prose Sonnet 130 Poetic devices with a focus on the sonnet form How writers, in particular Shakespeare, create humour How context affects humour Greek mythology and the construct of myths Chaucer and Middle English – where do our words come from? Developing a whole narrative
Links to prior learning	 Characters and narratives as constructs Dickens' motives to write – ACC Victorian life Other works of Dickens/ Dickens' writing style KS2 SPG 	Persuasive writing KS2 poetry Victorian era -poetry Dickens – travel writing	 Shakespeare's theatre (Y9 Macbeth) Poetry Drafting and editing London through time
Assessment	 Baseline assessment Multiple choice quiz of descriptive devices in action and creation of own simile and metaphor Context quiz – Victorian society and Dickens Narrative writing with character description 	 Summarise the main points of a text Produce a piece of transactional writing Travel writing presentation 	 Shakespearean comedies match up activity Language analysis: explore how writers' use humour Narrative writing with a focus on setting Sonnet 130. Identify features of a sonnet and explode quotations