

What are the aims and intentions of this curriculum?

The aim of our Key Stage 3 Curriculum is to promote a love of literature, inspire a critical voice and develop confidence in students' ability to analyse texts. Our Curriculum also aims to encourage young people to explore a wide variety of texts from different genres, cultures and time periods. Alongside this, we intend to develop our pupils' personal written and spoken voices when considering fiction and non-fiction texts.

Term	Topics	Knowledge covered	Skills developed	Assessment
Autumn	<i>Magic, Myths, Monsters and Mayhem</i>	You will explore a series of extracts from the Harry Potter series alongside other fantasy-based literature.	You will develop writing skills linked to descriptive and narrative writing with a focus on characterisation.	Reading assessment based on the presentation of the fantasy genre within a given extract.
Spring	<i>A Walk on the Dark Side</i>	You will explore a series of gothic texts and texts of the macabre exploring setting, atmosphere and the construction and deconstruction of character	You will develop writing skills linked to descriptive and narrative writing with a focus on setting and atmosphere.	Writing assessment assessing skills, content and organisation based on the genres explored this terms.
Summer	<i>Around the World in Words</i>	You will explore a range of poetry from other cultures and traditions considering different views and opinions from around the world.	You will develop your ability to write in an analytical and reflective way with a focus on identity and culture.	Reading assessment based on the presentation of themes and ideas within poetry from other cultures and traditions.