WALTON LE DALE HIGH SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers

My name is Miss Christian and I would like to introduce myself as Head of English at Walton-le-Dale High School. I am available via email on a.christian@waltonledale.lancs.sch.uk. Please get in touch with me if you have any questions about English.

Below is an overview of what students study in English, homework and revision materials.

Students at Walton-le-Dale study English 4 times per week when they are in Year 7 and 3 times per week in Year 8 and 9. At Key Stage 4, when students are in Years 10 and 11, they study English 4 times each week.

We follow the Key Stage 3 national curriculum, moving on to the Eduqas GCSE English Language specification and AQA GCSE English Literature specification.

The specifications for these subjects can be found below and can be used to assist with revision as they detail everything that students will learn.

KS3:https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/244215/ SECONDARY_national_curriculum - English2.pdf

KS4 Eduqas GCSE English Language: https://www.eduqas.co.uk/media/10ea1en0/eduqas-gcse-english-language-from-2015-e.pdf

KS4 AQA GCSE English Literature: https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/gcse/english-literature-8702/specification-at-a-glance

Homework is set on a weekly basis and comprises of wider reading, research, written pieces and learning homeworks. In addition, students are asked to complete lessons and activities on Bedrock Vocabulary. This is an online learning platform that can be accessed with any device that will connect to the internet. Its aim is to improve student vocabulary and foster further wider reading through the nature of the lessons we teach. We offer a creative writing and a 'book club' at lunchtimes and students are encouraged to enter writing competitions.

Students that would like to access revision materials can make use of the following websites:

KS3: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z3kw2hv

KS4 GCSE English Language: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zr9d7ty
KS4 GCSE English Literature: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zckw2hv

YouTube is also an excellent resource if students search for the topic that they want to revise.

We also have revision guides available to purchase via ParentPay.

Kind regards

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Miss A Christian Head of English