Fareham Academy - English Overview - Year 9



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic(s)	Conflict & Class A range of poetry and non-fiction, followed by either Journey's End, Animal Farm or Tsotsi		Gender A range of non-fiction, fiction and poetry, followed by the study of Shakespeare's 'Much Ado About Nothing'		Lord of the Flies AQA GCSE English Literature	
Topic Objectives	Developing the idea of relationships within society from Year 8, students will look at the conflicts that arise when these relationships break down. They will begin by studying a range of poetry and extracts linked to conflict and social class, before studying either Journey's End, Animal Farm or Tsotsi. Students will use these texts as stimuli to develop their poetic analysis and non-fiction writing. Building on their analysis of methods from Year 9, they will spend time evaluating writer's purpose and authorial intent.		Continuing to focus on social conflict, this term engages with different representations of gender. Students will explore how attitudes towards gender, femininity and masculinity have shifted over time. Students will develop their own non-fiction writing in order to present an opinion, and will re-visit their poetry analysis from last half term to embed these skills in their long-term memory. They will then use Much Ado About Nothing to evaluate how far they think Shakespeare was sexist.		Bringing together the strands of conflict, violence, leadership and gender from earlier in Year 9, students will study <i>Lord of the Flies</i> , beginning their GCSE English Literature course. They will focus on developing a more holistic analysis that weaves together their analysis of language, structure, context, writer's purpose, and theme and characterisation in a sustained argument. Following their final Year 9 assessment, classes will focus on different skills according to the needs of the class to ensure all students are prepared for Year 10.	
Acquired Knowledge/Skills	Students will develop their ability to analyse poetic methods by evaluating authorial intent. They will also explore how to write and structure persuasive nonfiction. Students will explore different types of violence and ideas on social class.	Students will continue to develop their evaluation of a writer's purpose focusing on how structural and language features reveal authorial intent. They will also develop their narrative writing. Students will consider leadership and the contextual features of their novel.	Students will continue to develop their poetic analysis, whilst also embedding their non-fiction writing skills such as presenting a clear and sustained viewpoint, and varied sentence styles. Students will gain an understanding of different attitudes towards gender.	Students will explore about the interplay between language, structure, writer's purpose, themes and characterisation, rather than looking at these skills in isolation. They will develop their analytical writing by using a range of evidence to reach and justify a conclusion on Shakespeare's sexism.	Students will develop their essay writing and ability to sustain an argument on theme/characterisation within the text. Students will learn the context of <i>Lord of the Flies</i> , and apply vocabulary linked to gender and violence learnt earlier in the year.	Whilst continuing to focus on the plot, characters and themes of <i>Lord of the Flies</i> , different classes will focus on different skills (according to the needs of the students), maximising student progress before the transition to Year 10.
Assessments – Curriculum will be adapted if students cannot meet assessed criteria.	Summative assessment 1: Assesses their progress in reading skills so far in Year 9 and forms a baseline assessment for their writing Opinion article writing burst: Assesses ability to write for purpose, structure viewpoint writing, develop an argument, structure, Aristotelian triad	Textual analysis writing burst: Assesses ability to analyse how language and structure link to a writer's purpose. Narrative writing burst: Assesses student ability to structure a narrative using varied structural and linguistic devices and sentence styles.	Summative assessment 2: Assesses their progress in reading and writing skills so far in Year 9. Poetic analysis: Assesses comparative analysis of poetic devices and ability to sustain an interpretation of a writer's purpose.	Thematic analysis: Assesses ability to draw together analysis of authorial intent, language, structure and characterisation to produce a coherent argument on how Shakespeare presents gender in Much Ado About Nothing.	Character analysis: Assesses ability to draw together analysis of authorial intent, language, structure and characterisation to produce a coherent argument Descriptive writing: Creative task on the island; assesses literacy, vocab, techniques, structure and sentencing	Summative assessment 3: Assesses their progress in reading and writing skills so far in Year 9.