



## **The English Department**

We are a positive team of dedicated professionals who work well together to achieve the very best for our pupils. We have a great mixture of experience and youth amongst our enthusiastic team and we are now seeking the final piece of the jigsaw to complete the picture and create new imagery with us for our future.

We have an active library and comfy reading space in the heart of the department, to support reading for pleasure in school. We also make use of Accelerated Reader, Reading Plus, IDL, Bedrock and Seneca packages to support our curriculum.

The curriculum is organised so that KS3 receive 5 hours of English per week, with one of these a dedicated reading and Bedrock hour. At KS4 the pupils have 5 hours of teaching to prepare them for their GCSEs. We currently follow the AQA specification for English Language and Literature, but we are considering other options.

Beyond the formal curriculum, we offer a wide number of opportunities for enrichment, including author visits and workshops, Readathon, World Book Day, theatre visits, theatre company workshops and competitions, both internal and external.