

Welcome to the English Faculty

Mrs Michelle Aspden – Faculty Leader and AHT for Teaching & Learning

Mrs Kathryn Gardner - Assistant Subject leader

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Mr Ben Humfrey - Teacher of English

Miss Maria Wyeth - Teacher of English

Mrs Jan Widdows - Teacher of English (part time)

Mrs Helen Hogarth – English Intervention Manager

Key information

The English Team aim to foster a love of learning and create successful communicative learners by the time pupils leave in year 11. We follow a 3 year key stage 3 curriculum looking at a wide range of reading material. At key stage 4 we teach the Eduqas Language specification and all pupils are entered for the AQA Literature specification (key texts are: Blood Brothers, Macbeth, A Christmas Carol and the Power & Conflict cluster of poetry) We offer Functional Skills for pupils in year 10 and 11. We have 3 staff who are examiners for both exam boards and subjects and we run a Creative Writing club. You will be supported by our skilled, dynamic and friendly team. We have a Specialist Leader in Education (SLE) who is the current whole school literacy lead and one of the department is also the school's professional mentor for early career teachers. We have a full time key stage 2 specialist who runs our phonics intervention for pupils who need extra support by teaching them in year 7 and 8 and supporting them in the upper years. Our full time English Intervention Manager is a specialist in a range of SEN needs and oversees our Lexia, IDL and Accelerated Reader programmes.