

Term 1 : September to October



English Key Stage 4 Newsletter

Year 10 Curriculum

Year 10 begin their GCSE study with the Power and Conflict anthology from AQA – a set of 15 poems exploring themes such as war, identity and loss.

Year 10 Assessments

Year 10 will be assessed frequently throughout the term:

1. The core knowledge of the poems (context, poetic methods etc.) will be tested via multiple choice quizzes
2. Students will be assessed on their paragraph writing skills

There is no summative (graded) assessment for year 10 this half-term

Year 11 Curriculum

Language

Year 11 will be revising language paper 1 – the fiction exam with reading and creative writing.

Literature

Year 11 will be revising Macbeth before moving on to ‘unseen poetry’ skills.

Year 11 Assessments

1. Summative (graded) assessment of language paper 1, section A (analysis of an unseen extract)
2. Summative (graded) assessment of Macbeth

Alongside these two formal assessments, student knowledge will also be assessed via multiple-choice quizzes.



What do we offer @ NSB?

1. Students can access a wealth of high-quality resources created by the English Team. These are **available on the NSB VLE**.
2. **Revision guides and workbooks** are available to order and purchase – please see Ms Thompson in the Library.
3. Sign up for a **free MASSOLIT account** with your NSB school email address, where you can access high-quality lectures on your GCSE texts- speak to Mrs Rodger if you're unsure how to do this.

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Mrs Morrell's Revision Advent Calendar

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Unseen Poetry

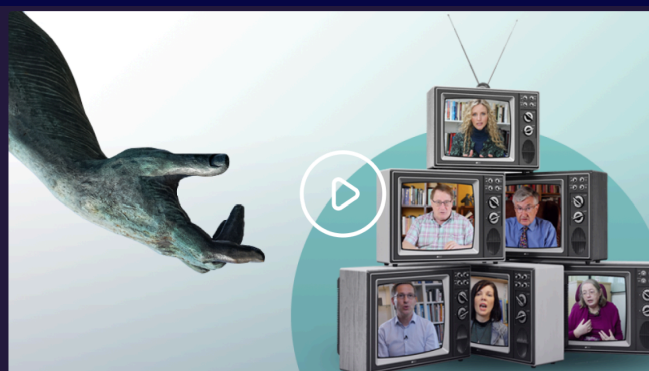
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Homework

Homework will be set by both class teachers and is designed to:

1. Consolidate knowledge of key plot, character and theme development within their literature texts e.g. power and conflict anthology for year 10, and Macbeth for year 11.
2. Extend student revision with high-quality video content and quizzes to test their understanding.
3. Ensure students are practising reading GCSE-style extracts, with quizzes to check their understanding.

All homework will be set on AIM, as per school policy.



Next term...

Look out for next term's newsletter, where the following information will be shared:

1. Details of online revision resources
2. Details of any upcoming year 11 intervention sessions

If you any any questions...

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