

# English Language and Literature

**Exam board:** AQA

## **Entry requirements:**

Student requires a minimum of a grade 6 in English Language.

We would recommend a grade 6 in each of English Literature and English Language.

## **Course content:**

Unit 1– Telling Stories (AQA Paris Anthology, The Lovely Bones, Carol Anne Duffy Poetry)

Exam – 3hrs - 40% of A-level

Unit 2 – Exploring Conflict (The Great Gatsby, A Street-Car Named Desire)

Exam – 2hrs 30mins - 40% of A-level

Coursework – Making Connections

3000 word personal investigation - 20% of A-level

## **Why choose English Language and Literature:**

If you enjoy reading, yet have a creative flair then English Language and Literature is the course for you. With its focus on how the power of language creates inspiring literary texts, coupled with the opportunity to apply the very same writing skills to your own imaginative writing, the Lang/Lit course is a fantastic opportunity to develop in all areas of English at A level.

## **Skills and progression:**

English Language and Literature is a diverse and varied A-Level that we are delighted to offer.

Designed with a focus on the integration of language and literature, the course allows you to explore different modes of communication and investigate how authors craft language for effect.

The variety of assessment styles used, such as re-creative writing, commentary writing, discursive essays and research-based investigative writing, encourages you to develop a wide range of skills. These include the ability to read critically, analyse, evaluate and undertake independent research, which are invaluable for both further study and future employment.

At A level you will build on your work at GCSE level, but do so in a way that attempts to find connections between these different types of study, and in doing so present a more holistic and exciting kind of 'English'.

I hope that you decide to study English Language and Literature with us; it is a decision that I am sure you will not regret.