





Curriculum Overview for English Year 8

<p>Term 2 (Spring Term)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Altogether Unexpected</u></p> <p>Substantive Knowledge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plot • Character presentation • Key themes • Language techniques • What PETAZEL means • What DSZZL means • Narrative writing • Descriptive writing • Identifying and selecting judicious quotations • Embedding quotations • The purpose of quotations • Context 		<p>Individuals read aloud; whole class reading; echo reading; teacher-modelled reading. Reading texts to develop a love of reading. Re-reading for comprehension and development. Carefully selecting evidence from a text.</p> <p>Book recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Nethergrim by Matthew Jobin • Redwall by Brian Jacques • The Chronicles of the Imaginarium Geographica by James A. Owen • The Girl who Drank the Moon by Kelly Barnhill • Merlin Saga by T.A. Barron • The Inheritance Cycle by Christopher Paolini • Falling Kingdoms by Morgan Rhodes • The Goblin’s Puzzle by Andrew Chilton 			
<p>Disciplinary Knowledge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysing characters • Explain interpretations • Writing descriptively to interest the reader • PETAZEL analysis • Explain and justify opinions • SPAG • PETAZEL analysis • Identify, Apply, Embed 		<p>Expedition Protagonist Avarice Condescending Obstinate Plight Characterisation Genre Fantasy Homeliness</p>	<p>Audacious Ominous Kindred Desolation Cunning Foreshadowing Tension Conspirator Antagonist Inclined</p>	<p>Companionship Wisdom Curious Apprehensive Deceptive Quest Meticulous Infuriate Intimidating Bewildered</p>	
		<p style="text-align: center;">Guiding Question 1</p> <p>Explain how Tolkien presents Bilbo.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Guiding Question 2</p> <p>(Extract Analysis) Explain how Gandalf is presented.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Guiding Question 3</p> <p>Descriptive writing</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Topic Question</p> <p>Explain how Bilbo changes in The Hobbit.</p>
		<p>Homework tasks Weekly homework set to complement the scheme for learning; adding depth and breadth to knowledge learned during lessons.</p> <p>Pupils will be set 30-40 minutes per fortnight.</p>			