

Literacy Programme
Curriculum Overview - Year 8

The Big Picture:

The Literacy Programme is a unique pathway for students that come from Primary education with lower levels in Literacy. Following baseline testing and analysis of SATs outcomes, students with significant deficits in their reading age, comprehension ability or enter the secondary phase below the national standard of SATs outcome will receive an enhanced package of literacy support. Our Literacy students have three bespoke lessons a week that focus on ensuring that by the end of KS3 the deficit has been closed, fully equipping students to be able to access the GCSE curriculum, whilst ensuring that they have the best possible chance to securing at least a standard pass in English.

<p>Term 1: Strand 1 – Reading – Bubble wrap Boy. Strand 2 – Writing – Re-cap key writing skills from year 7. Strand 3 – Speaking – Discussion on over protective parents (links to class text) Green Task: Writing – letter writing. Focus – conventions of letter writing.</p>	<p>Term 4: Strand 1 – Reading – Teacher’s Dead Strand 2 – Writing – Matching purpose, task and audience. Strand 3 – Speaking – Current affairs. Green Task: Writing – newspaper article. Focus – language features and structural techniques.</p>
<p>Term 2: Strand 1- Reading – Bubble Wrap Boy continued. Strand 2 – Writing – Connectives. Strand 3 – Speaking – Family dilemma’s (links to class text) Green Task: Writing – missing chapter. Focus – Characterisation, understanding the emotions in the novel.</p>	<p>Term 5: Strand 1 – Reading – Room 13. Strand 2 – Writing – Technical accuracy and appropriate punctuation. Strand 3 – Speaking – Beliefs and myths. Green Task: Reading Comprehension. Focus – retrieval of key facts and supporting evidence.</p>
<p>Term 3: Strand 1 – Reading – Face – Play script. Strand 2 – Writing – Complex sentences. Strand 3 – Speaking – Actions and consequences. Green Task: Writing – comprehension. Focus – P.E.E paragraphs.</p>	<p>Term 6: Strand 1 – Reading – Shakespeare (Shorter version) Strand 2 – Writing – Writing from different perspectives. Strand 3 - Speaking – Bringing a text to life. Green Task: Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Test 2.</p>