



## Welcome

The English department at The King's School can't wait to meet our new Year 7 students! English is at the heart of everything that we do; the overarching aim for English is to promote high standards of language and literacy by equipping pupils with a strong command of the spoken and written word. We aim to develop a love of literature through widespread reading for enjoyment.

We want students to arrive to their English lessons with an open mind and a limitless imagination. Students will learn about important writers of the past and the present and we want to inspire our pupils to be the English scholars and writers of the future.

## What will I study?

In Year 7 you will study 4 main topics:

- **Lord of The Flies by William Goulding**  
This exciting book focuses on a group of British boys stranded on an uninhabited island and their disastrous attempt to govern themselves. The novel is considered as one of the best young adult books of all time and will be a thrilling scheme of work to start off the year.
- **A cluster of poetry based on the theme of conflict**  
Students will explore a range of poems and texts based on the theme of conflict, discovering powerful and emotive writers along the way. Students will also have the chance to create their own poetry and written pieces.
- **Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens**  
This scheme of work, centered on the Dickens' classic tale, will allow students to immerse themselves in amazing characters and events. It's a classic!
- **The Tempest by William Shakespeare**  
Shakespeare's comedy about a major act of betrayal, ill treatment, the development of magic arts and a plot of revenge will ensure that students are amazed by this wonderful play.

In Year 7, the exciting and important schemes of learning will allow you to understand and explore a range concepts and ideas as you explore the bigger picture. You will be exposed to a range of different writers and different time periods. We will also have weekly writing workshops to hone your creativity skills.

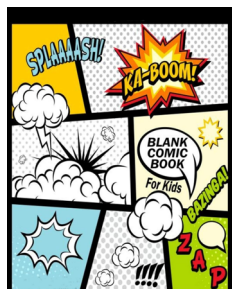
## Will I need any special equipment?

No special equipment is required for English.

## Activity for you to try

The King's School English team challenge you to create a piece of writing! In your piece you need to imagine what your first day at King's will be like. You are free to write in the genre of your choosing. You could do:

- A comic
- A news report
- A story
- A poem
- A play



We can't wait to see your creative responses, and of course, there will be prizes for the winners!