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ENGLISH CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

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ENGLISH | YEAR 7

What will my child learn this year?

TERM 1

LITERATURE: Narrative Structure: Freytag's Pyramid | LANGUAGE: Persuasive Writing: Ethos

TEXTS: Sawbones; speeches and articles

WHAT STUDENTS LEARN: Explore exposition, climax and resolution; explain how narrative structure shapes meaning. Establish credibility in persuasive speeches and articles using ethos, facts and direct address.

TERM 2

LITERATURE: Shakespeare's Late Romances | LANGUAGE: Character Archetypes

TEXTS: The Tempest; myths and legends

WHAT STUDENTS LEARN: Explore dramatic language, context and stagecraft. Identify heroes, villains and other archetypes; create convincing characters through dialogue, actions and description.

TERM 3

LITERATURE: Performance Poetry | LANGUAGE: Persuasive Writing: Logos

TEXTS: Poetry anthology; travel leaflets and letters

WHAT STUDENTS LEARN: Analyse figurative language, poetic form and recurring themes. Build reasoned arguments using evidence, rhetorical questions, headings and an appropriate tone.

KEY SKILLS DEVELOPED

READ
Interpret, infer and evaluate texts

ANALYSE
Explore language, structure and context

WRITE
Craft creative and persuasive responses

ARGUE
Communicate ideas with evidence

PROGRESSION Establishes foundational reading, writing, character and rhetorical knowledge.

ENRICHMENT Creative Writing, Book and Debate Clubs; Sparx Reader; RSC links, theatre visits and author events.