

# Year 9 English Language and English Literature at Hanham Woods Academy

In Year 9 students start to prepare for their GCSE courses (outlined below).

Term 3 – English Literature - *Of Mice and Men*

Term 4 – GCSE English Language preparation

Term 5 – GCSE Literature – Modern Play (from *Journey's End*, *Blood Brothers*, etc)

Term 6 – GCSE English Language preparation. Unseen poetry for GCSE Literature exam

## GCSE English Language (AQA)

- 100% Exam
- **Paper 1:** (50%) *Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing*. 1 hour 45 mins
- **Paper 2:** (50%) *Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives*. 1 hour 45 mins
- **Spoken Language** – non-examination assessment. Separate endorsement.

## GCSE English Literature (AQA)

- 100% Exam
- **Paper 1** – Shakespeare and the 19<sup>th</sup> Century Novel (*Macbeth* and *A Christmas Carol*) 40%
- **Paper 2** – Modern Texts and Poetry (*An Inspector Calls* and AQA *Anthology Poetry*) 60%

## Important dates

**CLF PPE 1: w/b 17<sup>th</sup> June** - English Language Paper 1

- **What you can do to support your child**

### **Independent/Home Learning:**

- ✓ Complete all home learning on time
- ✓ Do home learning in a quiet, device-free environment – sitting at a desk/table
- ✓ Encourage your child to read regularly at home (newspapers, autobiography, etc.)
- ✓ Use websites such as BBC GCSE Bitesize English, Sparknotes or Mr Bruff's youtube videos
- ✓ Buy set texts and revision books (see insert)

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact your child's English teacher or me.

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### **Set texts and revision guides – all available to order through HWA.**

CGP GCSE English (Language and Literature) for the Grade 9-1 Course (ISBN 978 1 78294 366 2)

AQA GCSE English Language and Literature Student Book

Core - (ISBN 978-0-00-759679-9)

Advanced – (ISBN 978-0-00-759680-5)

*Of Mice and Men* John Steinbeck (ISBN 9780141023571)

CGP New GCSE English Literature AQA Poetry Guide: *Power and Conflict* Anthology (ISBN 978-1-78294-361-7)