

## **English**

### **Years 7, 8 and 9**

Students follow largely topic based units of work throughout Key Stage 3. For example: narrative poetry, horror, crime, life and experiences. These topic based units are designed to develop students' reading, writing and speaking and listening skills. At Key Stage 3, students study a wide range of texts, including: Shakespeare, poetry, non-fiction and classic and contemporary fiction.

All Key Stage 3 students are given homework every week which will include: vocabulary and spellings of key words, short writing practice to secure skills and memorisation of quotes/key knowledge for literature assessments.

Students complete a summative assessment in either reading or writing once a term which is given a threshold and teachers assign targets for students as part of this process. At other points of the year, teachers assess formatively and give students frequent feedback to support their learning and progress.