

KS4 | CURRICULUM

English Language & English Literature



THE
**THOMAS
AVELING**
SCHOOL

Across Key Stage 4, our learning journey continues as students will secure and strengthen the core skills built through our Key Stage 3 curriculum, whilst continuing to broaden exposure to new texts.

English Language

Across Year 10 and Year 11, students strengthen their analytical, evaluative and comparative skills by examining a collection of fiction and non-fiction texts, exploring their context, purpose and audience. In addition, students refine their re-creative practice and explore the art of becoming a writer and dedicate themselves to the writing process itself: planning, editing, and proofreading. Students gain valuable experience in commenting on the impact of their own writing. They must consider how their use of language, structure and form can be crafted to aid communication and how they may be required to adapt their writing and speech to meet the needs of different purposes and audience.

- **Whole text: Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing**
- **Extract study: Travelling through the 19th, 20th and 21st century fiction**
- **Whole text: Writer's Viewpoints and Perspectives**
- **Extract study: Travelling through the 19th, 20th and 21st century non-fiction**

English Literature

Across Year 10 and Year 11, students will immerse themselves fully in an informed, critical study of Literature. Students will be stretched to analyse their set texts in a perceptive and sophisticated way, with the expectation that they can structure their debate coherently. We encourage students to question and evaluate their understanding of the text and intend for students to craft an assured, personal response surrounding its key themes, characterisation, and context. Students are encouraged to research wider interpretations of the key texts independently and the department nurtures and inspires an increasing confidence in original readings.

- **Shakespeare study**
- **19th Century Literature**
- **20th Century Drama**
- **Poetry Anthology**
- **Unseen poetry**

