

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT NEWS—TERM 5



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Useful websites

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons>

<https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom>

<https://www.senecalearnin.com/>

<https://www.sparknotes.com/shakespeare/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CtqiCljZtcY&list=PLqGFsWf-P-cDvuiSH8SycEDh1Ugke9tmb>

Remote learning

We are setting written work every Monday, Wednesday and Friday as well as asking that students complete an hour of reading or revision on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

We have also set the LRC up as a separate department on Show My Homework so the work for the LRC and English will no longer be confused.

What are students studying ?

This term we are focusing on English language skills across all year groups—this includes creative writing, non fiction writing, language analysis and reading comprehension.

Every Monday there is an online video made by Mr Matthews—we expect as many students as possible to be watching these and completing the work, they can even be watched on a phone

Student celebrations

We have so much fantastic work coming back that we have weekly celebrations on the schools Facebook site.

This will celebrate the best work, engagement or improvements



Writing competition

Students are invited to take part in a National writing competition for Young Writers. This involves writing a 100 word short story under the theme of 'Missing'

Last term we had 10 students poems published in a competition run by this group and we hope to beat that this time!

More details are available on the Young writers website and entries should be returned to English teachers by Wednesday 6th May

Year 9 and 10—How can I prepare for my English GCSE?

It is important that year 9 and 10 continue to revise the literature texts they have been studying. These are:

An Inspector Calls, A Christmas Carol, Macbeth, Power and conflict poetry

Students should own copies of these and if they have them at home they can re-read and annotate them, perhaps using the internet to find some new ideas to add

If you wish to know which copies to purchase please contact Mrs Johnston: michelle.johnston@aylesford.kent.sch.uk

Some other ways to revise include:

1. create revision cards on the characters and themes
2. Learn key quotes form the text and practice exploding or analyzing them
3. Watch videos on you tube—we recommend Mr Bruff
4. Create mind maps about the context, methods used of key themes
5. Revise on Seneca—your teachers can monitor this
6. Look out for movies/videos online or on TV—the BBC version of An Inspector Calls is superb