

Details at a Glance

Qualification

GCSE & Entry Level

Level

1 & 2

Exam Board

WJEC

Tiered

No

Limited Group size

NO

Staff

Mrs L George

Dr C Mills

Mrs S Kelso

Mrs R Fender

Miss D Lightfoot

## Course Structure

English is a compulsory subject and most students will follow the WJEC GCSE English syllabus.

The course seeks to develop the following skills

- \* The ability to communicate confidently, accurately and appropriately in speech and in writing, showing sensitivity, understanding and awareness of situation and audience.

- \* The ability to respond thoughtfully and imaginatively to a range of stimuli including: reading from a variety of sources (fiction and non-fiction); responding to visual and aural material in both written and spoken forms;

- \* The capacity to enjoy and appreciate the reading of literature, fostering analytical skills and the expansion of ideas;

- \* The opportunity to develop ICT skills.

There are three units of assessment; Oracy (weighting of 20%) and two externally assessed examinations with a weighting of 40% each.

*Please note that there is only **ONE** tier of entry for this course.*

### Entry Level English

This is designed for the small minority of pupils for whom GCSE is unsuitable. The syllabus enables pupils to develop their use of English in a manner appropriate to their interests. The course includes a coursework element, together with a written examination.

**Some** students will be entered for both GCSE English and Entry Level English, at the discretion of the class teacher.

### Careers

A good pass (C+) at GCSE English is an essential entry requirement for most Higher Education Courses; some courses may now specify that they require B+. Additionally it is desirable for many occupations.

## Examination/Assessment

### Unit 1 20%

Recorded and Externally Assessed

Individual Presentation 10%

Group Discussion 10%

### Unit 2 40%

Externally Assessed

Reading & Writing: Description, Narration & Exposition

Section A—Reading 20%

Section B—Writing 20%

### Unit 3 40%

Externally Assessed

Reading & Writing: Argument, persuasion & instructional

Section A - Reading 20%

Section B - Writing 20%