

12th September 2025

Year 11 - English: Important Notices

Dear Parents and Carers,

Contribution payments towards GCSE Resources

We will be providing our Year 11 students with a number of high quality English revision resources this year in preparation for their GCSEs. These include:

- **Revision workbooks for all three Literature texts:** Macbeth, Jekyll and Hyde and An Inspector Calls
- **Revision workbooks for English Language**
- **Revision materials including flashcards, folders, mindmaps etc.**

To support us with these costs, we are requesting **one contribution payment of £6.00** to be made via Arbor School Shop for the new academic year. This will cover your child's English revision resources for the whole academic year and enable us to cover our costs. Please can all payments be made by the **deadline of Friday 26th September 2025**.

If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding and you would like to use this towards the cost of these materials please contact the school. If you have any concerns or need additional support, the IAT welfare fund is available. The application form can be found on the PRS website.

Revise to Thrive: Y11 PRS English

In the Autumn Term, Year 11s are introduced to the PRS English Department's revision initiative '*Revise to Thrive*'. Our aim is:

1. to provide students with the tools they need to create and engage with the most effective English revision resources, and
2. to help you, as parents/carers, to feel confident in supporting your child's English revision at home.

Year 11 Revise to Thrive Homework:

Students' weekly homeworks are focused revision activities to ensure they thrive in Year 11. Students must complete all weekly tasks to ensure they are staying on top of their revision. There are two GCSEs in English, so there is a lot of ground to cover. This can seem overwhelming to students, so our homework plan breaks this down for students over the course of the year into



manageable chunks.

If students are not completing their homework, we know they are not revising. If homework is not completed, students will be issued with an English detention to ensure they catch up on their revision. I would be very grateful for your parental support if this happens, as it is these measures that will help us ensure no child is left behind.

Students' homeworks over the next six weeks are Literature focused so that students are creating their Literature GCSE revision resources and engaging with them as much as possible ahead of their mock exams.

Homework will be set every Monday and due every Monday by 9pm on Google Classroom. Students will be provided with a 'Revise to Thrive' revision folder, which they must bring with them to lesson every Monday along with the revision resources they've created that week.

English Period 6 Intervention:

English intervention will take place on a weekly basis. We expect all Year 11 students to attend intervention so that every learning opportunity is maximised this year. Registers are taken. Further details will follow in due course.

These sessions will focus on English Language up until half term. These sessions are the only opportunity for students to engage in teacher-led Language revision this half term ahead of their mock exams. We would therefore greatly appreciate your support in ensuring your child attends consistently each week.

Year 11 English Revision Clinic: Wednesday lunchtimes (L11)

This takes place every **Wednesday lunchtime (1.35pm - 2.15pm) in L11**. Students can simply come along and practise using their revision resources alone or with friends. Or students can use this time to ask questions or seek guidance on a particular topic or question.

If you have any questions or queries in the meantime, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

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